LEGAL AND POLITICAL THEORY MA / 2019/20 ENTRY

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This MA provides students with key analytical skills to study the ethical dimensions of public policy. The programme, drawing on three areas of excellence at UCL, is a unique mix of politics, law and philosophy, centred on the normative evaluation of public policy at both the domestic and international levels.

**Degree summary**

The programme explores the moral quality of the decisions citizens and professionals take, and the justice of the legal and political structures within which they operate. Students develop the ability to analyse important modern political theories, and justify their position on issues concerning the relationship between politics, law and society.

- UCL Political Science is recognised as a centre of excellence in the field and offers a uniquely stimulating environment for the study of legal and political theory.
- Weekly interactive seminars offer students an unrivalled opportunity to meet and engage with some of the leading figures in the field.
- The Legal and Political Theory MA benefits from the interdisciplinary research culture of the Department of Political Science, as well as from the participation of UCL Philosophy and UCL Laws.

Teaching for all modules takes the form of seminars where time is dedicated both to introducing knowledge and materials, and allowing students to test their understanding, knowledge and evaluative skills, through discussion, criticism and debate. Assessment is primarily through long essays, coursework and the dissertation.

**Degree structure**

**Mode:** Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years

**Location:** London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of two core modules (60 credits), optional modules (60 credits) and a research dissertation (60 credits).

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

**COMPULSORY MODULES**

- Meanings of Liberty: Applied Methods in Political Theory (30)
- Seminars in Political Theory, Colloquium in Legal Philosophy and Peer Assisted Learning Sessions (30)

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

Students choose modules worth a total of 45 credits from the list below (the others remain available as options). They also choose one further 15-credit module from a list available at the programme website.

- Contemporary Political Philosophy I: Authority, Obligation & Democracy (15)
- Contemporary Political Philosophy II: Social Justice and Equality (15)
- Equality, Justice and Difference (15)
- Global Ethics (15)
- Jeremy Bentham and the Utilitarian Tradition I and II (30)
- Jeremy Bentham and the Utilitarian Tradition I (15)
- Jurisprudence and Legal Theory I & II (30)
- Jurisprudence and Legal Theory I (15)
- The Ethics of Poverty (15)
- Public Ethics (15)
- Theoretical Foundations of Human Rights (15)
- The Ethics of Counterterrorism (15)

**DISSERTATION/REPORT**

All MA students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of 10,000 words.
Your career
This MA provides an excellent foundation for further research in political theory, or a wide variety of careers in this field.

Employability
Students of the Legal and Political Theory MA acquire advanced analytical transferable skills and exposure to cutting-edge legal and philosophical work - problem-solving, logical skills - combined with deep understanding of challenges of the contemporary world. As a result our students have an excellent record of employability in leading professions - law, consultancy, politics, journalism and academic careers.
Entry requirements

As a minimum, an upper second-class Bachelor's degree from a UK university in political theory or a related discipline; or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard. Relevant practical or work experience in a related field may also be taken into account.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Advanced.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

FEES AND FUNDING 2019/20 ENTRY

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The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Students website.

Past students on the programme have been awarded prestigious scholarships such as AHRC and UCL graduate studentships.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 26 July 2019

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

CONTACT

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EU referendum

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