

Law

The study of law involves examining and analysing the rules and institutions that society establishes to promote justice and order. In addition to being a preparation for the legal profession, knowledge of law and the logical reasoning skills it develops will be valued by many employers.

Departmental Facts

The Department of Law is one of the largest at LSE and draws on its unique position within a school of social science to offer a distinctive, interdisciplinary environment. It plays a key role in policy debate. In the 2008 national Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), the Department topped national tables, whether ranked by grade point average or by the percentage of research receiving the top 4* grade, with 45 per cent of its research ranked world-leading and 75 per cent world-leading or internationally excellent. Furthermore, the Department was ranked third in the UK in the subject tables of the Times Good University Guide 2010.

Careers

LSE students develop a range of very specific and transferable skills that will appeal to a variety of employers. The transferable skills students learn include:

- communication (verbal and written); problem-solving and fact management;
- the ability to engage in independent research; the use of information technology;
- the ability to bring information together, analyse it and display critical judgment and effective time management.

Becoming a solicitor or barrister are common routes after a law degree, consequentially the majority of undergraduates complete the Legal Practice Course, Bar Vocational Course or overseas equivalent after leaving LSE. However, a career in the legal profession is by no means the only option open to law graduates. Legal knowledge and the ability to analyse and solve complex problems are useful in many job sectors including: local and national government; banking and other financial services; the media and publishing; personnel management, and education (teaching and research).

Law courses available to General Course students include:

LL104 Law of Obligations	LL241 Introduction to Civil Law
LL105 Property I	LL242 International Protection of Human Rights
LL106 Public Law	LL250 Law and the Environment
LL108 Criminal Law	LL251 Intellectual Property Law
LL109 Introduction to the Legal System	LL25 Labour Law
LL201 Administrative Law	LL272 Outlines of Modern Criminology
LL203 Law of Business Associations	LL275 Property II
LL205 Medical Law	LL278 Public International Law
LL207 Civil Liberties and Human Rights	LL284 Sentencing and Treatment of Offenders
LL209 Commercial Law	LL293 Taxation
LL210 Information Technology and the Law	LL295 Media Law
LL212 Conflict of Laws	LL298 Essay on an approved Legal Topic
LL221 Family Law	LL299 Full Unit Essay Option
LL232 Law and Institutions of the European Union	LL300 Competition Law
LL233 Law of Evidence	LL305 Jurisprudence