Department of Law

# Law Degrees

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**Top London Modern University** for overall satisfaction with all Law courses (all modes) *National Student Survey (2013)* 

# LLB (Hons) Law at London South Bank University



You'll know that a law degree is a big challenge to take on. There is no denying it's an intensive subject to study, but all the hard work does pay off in the long run. A 'gold standard degree' it will teach you to 'think like a lawyer'; develop analytical and persuasive skills recognised and rewarded by a wide range of employers.

## Professional

Our qualifying law degrees meet the requirements of the Solicitors Regulation Authority, the Bar Standards Board and the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives. After graduating you could go on to join professional courses leading to qualification as a solicitor or barrister. Alternatively, our law degrees offer you an alternative route to the legal profession by giving you the opportunity to become a Legal Executive, without doing the Legal Practice Course.

### Law Portfolio

#### LLB (Hons) Law

#### **Combined Degrees**

Law with Criminology Law with Psychology Law with Sociology

#### **Specialist LLBs**

LLB (Hons) Business Law LLB (Hons) Criminal Law LLB (Hons) Entertainment and Media Law LLB (Hons) Family Law LLB (Hons) Human Rights

# General LLB, specialist LLB or combined degree?

Whichever degree you choose, you'll graduate with a qualifying law degree:

The general LLB is the best choice if you haven't yet developed a clear idea of exactly which area of law you are most interested in.

Combinations with Psychology, Criminology and Sociology are designed for those of you with a broad interest. Approximately 75% of the course is Law-focused and 25% the other humanities subject.

The five specialist LLBs are designed for those of you who already know particular areas of the Law that you'd like to focus on.



# Why Study Law at London South Bank University?

#### 1. Taught by qualified lawyers

Because many of our tutors practise or have practised law, we'll explain the detail of legal principles with real-case examples, applying theory to practice. For example, Caron Thatcher, our Senior Lecturer in Law, worked alongside Imran Khan as a solicitor for the family of Stephen Lawrence.

#### 2. Employability

#### Legal Advice Clinic – Legal work experience

As an undergraduate Law student you'll have access to legal work experience through the LSBU Legal Advice Clinic. The clinic provides a free community-based face-to-face advice service. You'll take instructions from the client, carry out research and give advice under the supervision of tutors and experienced practising solicitors.



#### 'Working in the law' – compulsory module\*

This module focuses on skills valued by employers and helps you find work placements or voluntary opportunities to prepare you for the world of work.

#### **Careers and networking events**

The Law department organises unique networking events with influential people working in the law and career talks to maximise your employability.

#### Alternative route to the legal profession

After successful completion of the Criminal Litigation and Civil Litigation optional modules you are able to join the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx) as members and become a more attractive proposition for employers recruiting paralegals. After 5 year's qualifying work as a paralegal you can become a CILEx Fellow and Legal Executive as a way of becoming a qualified lawyer without doing the Legal Practice Course.

\*'Working in the law' module is not included in combined degrees module options.

#### 3. Student support

#### Free iPad and core e-books

We know law textbooks can be costly so we provide you with a free iPad including core e-books plus you'll also receive some hard copies of books. You'll also gain access to the VLE (Virtual Learning Environment) to benefit from weekly online teaching support. This includes quizzes with instant feedback and audio presentations which summarise the lectures. This is in addition to face-to-face teaching at lectures and seminars.

#### 4. High graduate starting salaries

We are in the top 20 of UK modern universities for highest graduate starting salaries, (Source: Sunday Times University Guide 2013).

#### 5. Central location

A short walk from the Royal Courts of Justice and in the heart of London's cultural centre, the South Bank.

#### 6. Generous scholarships

Full and partial fee waivers available for the first year of full-time, home students if your household has an income below £25000.

## **Structure and Modules**

The LLB degrees cover various subjects depending on whether you choose the general LLB, combined degree or specialist degree and their module options. Here's how your degree is structured over three years:

Year 1: focus on core legal skills

Year 2: focus on employability

Year 3: focus on independent learning through a specialist project

After completing the modules required for a qualifying law degree you can develop your interest through option choices and the final year project. You may also be taught by specialists from other departments, drawing on University wide expertise:

Award	Sample of specialist modules	Common modules
LLB (Hons) Law** Combined Degrees LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology	<ul> <li>You'll take 4 modules (out of 12) of your choice in Years 2 and 3</li> <li>'Working in the law' (compulsory module)</li> <li>Criminal law</li> <li>Issues in contemporary policing</li> <li>Crime, criminology and modernity</li> <li>Criminal law 2 and the law of criminal evidence</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Legal skills, legal study and legal system</li> <li>Introduction to contract and tort</li> <li>Public and EU law</li> <li>Law of contract</li> <li>Law of torts</li> <li>Criminal law 1</li> <li>Criminal law 2</li> <li>Equity and trusts</li> <li>Property, equity and trusts 1</li> <li>Property, equity and trusts 2</li> <li>Land law</li> <li>Specialist project</li> </ul>
LLB (Hons) Law with Psychology	<ul> <li>Christian aw 2 and the law of christian evidence</li> <li>Exploring psychological approaches</li> <li>Psychology of feeling</li> <li>The psychology of behaviour with others</li> <li>Investigative forensic psychology</li> <li>Making identities</li> <li>Innovation: post-modernity and social change</li> </ul>	
LLB (Hons) Law with Sociology	<ul> <li>Issues in contemporary sociology</li> <li>Social theory and modernity</li> <li>The sociological imagination</li> <li>Social theory and modernity</li> </ul>	

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Specialist Degrees LLB (Hons) Business Law	<ul> <li>Employment law</li> <li>Company law</li> <li>Consumer protection and the law</li> <li>Employment law</li> <li>Working in the law</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Legal skills, legal study and legal system</li> <li>Introduction to contract and tort</li> <li>Public and EU law</li> <li>Law of contract</li> <li>Law of torts</li> <li>Criminal law 1</li> <li>Criminal law 2</li> <li>Equity and trusts</li> <li>Property, equity and trusts 1</li> <li>Property, equity and trusts 2</li> <li>Land law</li> </ul>
LLB (Hons) Criminal Law**	<ul> <li>Analysis of evidence and proof</li> <li>Investigative forensic psychology</li> <li>Crime, criminology and modernity</li> <li>Civil rights and the individual</li> <li>Working in the law</li> </ul>	
LLB (Hons) Entertainment and Media Law**	<ul> <li>Company law</li> <li>Mediation and negotiation skills</li> <li>Sports law</li> <li>Working in the law</li> </ul>	
LLB (Hons) Family Law	<ul> <li>Relationships and their financial consequences</li> <li>Law in relation to children</li> <li>Working in the law</li> </ul>	• Specialist project
LLB (Hons) Human Rights**	<ul> <li>Gender, justice and the law</li> <li>Law and politics</li> <li>Penal theory, policy and practice</li> <li>Medical law and ethics</li> <li>European human rights</li> <li>International protection of human rights</li> <li>Working in the law</li> </ul>	

\*Award includes Criminal Litigation and Civil Litigation (CILEx) modules to automatically qualify for CILEx membership on successful completion.

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# Spotlight on our students

#### AKIM TEJAN-COLE

LLB (Hons) LAW

"Law was a discipline that always attracted me, however it was the transferability of the degree to other reputable areas of employment such as business, finance and politics that finally convinced me. London's global prestige as a legal centre made it a natural choice for me and London South Bank University (LSBU) had the perfect location.

In March 2013, I was elected President of the very active Student Law Society (SLS). During my tenure the SLS has reached several milestones such as record membership, and a record number of events.

There is an abundance of high profile speakers that the Student Law Society has brought to LSBU. It includes Baroness Hale, (Deputy President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom), Sir Andrew McFarlane (Lord Ordinary of Appeal), General David Howell (former Director General of Army Legal Services), Lord Reed (Lord Justice of the Supreme Court of UK) and Alistair Graham of Mayer Brown LLP (Litigator of the Year 2008).

The Society also organises the internal mooting competition, in which students participate in the preparation and arguing of cases in front of judges. This year we have also organised a very successful friendly mooting competition against the South London Law Society (SLLS), which was presided over by Mr Justice Silber, a high court judge of England and Wales.

LSBU allows its students to explore their goals and reach their potential. There is so much to achieve at LSBU. Get involved and live the university life to the fullest."



#### DANIEL HEDLEY

LLB (Hons) LAW

"I chose LSBU for a number of reasons, not least its reputation for providing excellent support to students and those with unconventional academic backgrounds. But the deciding factor for me was meeting teaching staff at one of their open days I attended prior to enrolling. They struck me as knowledgeable, approachable and willing to engage with students. I am happy to say that my first impression was correct.

Although LSBU's LLB course is a qualifying law degree with all the technical nuts-and-bolts law you'd expect, the essence of the course lies not in force-feeding you information but in teaching you to think like a lawyer; to appraise, to question, and to evaluate. I graduated with a first class degree and was delighted to be awarded the Faculty's Executive Dean Prize for outstanding academic achievement and the Lexis Nexis Law Prize for best graduating student.

I went on to complete the Legal Practice Course at the College of Law with a view to qualifying as a solicitor. LSBU's LLB course focused on solving practical problems, an approach which gave me a significant advantage over many peers on the Legal Practice Course.

I completed a training contract with Clifford Chance LLP, and now work as a qualified solicitor for them. Clifford Chance is a top international law firm and a member of the 'Magic Circle' of leading UK law firms. The firm is one of the ten largest law firms in the world measured by both number of lawyers and revenue."



# **Entry Requirements**

A Level (BCC) or BTEC Extended Diploma (DMM)

Access to Higher Education Diploma with a minimum of 24 Level 3 credits at Merit.

For full entry requirements see lsbu.ac.uk

# **Key Facts**

Location	Southwark		
Institution code	L75		
Start Date	September		

Courses Award	Duration	UCAS code (FT)	LSBU code (PT)	How to apply
LLB (Hons) Law	3 years FT/ 5 years PT	M100	277	Direct to UCAS/LSBU
LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology	3 years FT	M1M9	-	Direct to UCAS
LLB (Hons) Law with Psychology	3 years FT	M1C8	-	Direct to UCAS
LLB (Hons) Law with Sociology	3 years FT	M1L3	-	Direct to UCAS
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LLB (Hons) Business Law	3 years FT/ 5 years PT	M108	4205	Direct to UCAS/LSBU
LLB (Hons) Criminal Law	3 years FT/5 years PT	M102	4207	Direct to UCAS/LSBU
LLB (Hons) Entertainment and Media Law	3 years FT/5 years PT	M103	4209	Direct to UCAS/LSBU
LLB (Hons) Family Law	3 years FT/5 years PT	M104	4211	Direct to UCAS/LSBU
LLB (Hons) Human Rights	3 years FT/ 5 years PT	M106	4203	Direct to UCAS/LSBU

All courses are Qualifying Law Degrees

All courses are run at our Southwark campus and have a September start. FT = full-time; PT = part-time.

# Six months after graduating our students are:

Trainee Solicitor, Community Legal Centre / Paralegal Manager, Crown Prosecution Service / Immigration Caseworker, Solicitors / Frredom of Information Case Officer, Food Standards Agency / Executive Officer, Home Office

(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education Survey)

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