

Module Details			
Module Title	International Criminal Law		
Module Code	LAW6007-B		
Academic Year	2024/5		
Credits	20		
School	School of Law		
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 6		

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Lectures	11			
Tutorials	22			
Directed Study	167			

Availability		
Occurrence	Location / Period	
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1	

Module Aims

This module aims to equip students with a sound grounding in international criminal law and its key principles, concepts and institutions. Students will follow a case-study approach to investigate and develop an understanding of the practical limitations of this emerging and problematic field of law.

Outline Syllabus

The challenges of international criminal justice;

Institutions of international criminal law;

Genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes;

Evidence and procedure;

Victim participation and witness protection.

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
01	Evaluate legal institutions, rules, principles, and underlying legal concepts in relation to international criminal law.			
02	Evaluate international criminal law problems and challenges and suggest solutions to these deploying systematic legal analysis and, where appropriate, ethical awareness.			
03	Conduct independent legal research, drawing on an appropriate range of sources to retrieve and evaluate relevant information and commentary, and to critically apply their findings.			
04	Show awareness of the political and economic contexts in which international criminal law operates and of the professional competencies required in practice.			
05	Demonstrate deep, contextualised understanding of substantive areas of international criminal law and a grasp of current academic debates and of relevant doctrinal and policy issues in this field.			

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

This module will be delivered through a series of two-hour weekly workshops and/or lectures. Lectures will deliver core content; providing students with the opportunity to acquire the information to enhance their knowledge and understanding of key issues. This groundwork will be complemented by workshops, in which students will work on case studies to enable them to think critically about international dimensions of criminal law and about obstacles and developments in this emerging field. All teaching and learning are supported by information (including the module handbook) provided on Canvas, our virtual learning environment.

Assessment will take the form of a group presentation, drawing on the workshops, during the course of the semester, and individual coursework at the end of the module for which students will have to apply their knowledge of the subject to contemporary situations and dilemmas.

Mode of Assessment				
Туре	Method	Description	Weighting	
Summative	Presentation	Group presentation/Workshop element of peer evaluation 20 Minutes; SUPPLEMENTARY Individual reflection on Group work 250	30%	
Summative	Coursework - Written	Individual Essay or equivalent of no more than 2500 words	70%	
Formative	Coursework	Example question allowing students to develop relevant skills	N/A	

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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