

LAWS C2701: Legal Studies

Module Title:		Legal Studies 1
Language of Instruction:		English
Credits:	5	
NFQ Level:	6	
Module Delivered In		2 programme(s)
Teaching & Learning Strategies:		The learning outcomes detailed above will be achieved through the following teaching methodologies: • Lectures - communication of knowledge and ideas from the lecturer to the student. • Problem Solving Exercises/Case Studies – students will work as part of a team and will work together to resolve various legal scenarios and prepare for collaborative project. • Class Discussion/Debate - Students will be encouraged to actively participate in the class sessions which will develop their analytical and communication skills. • E-Learning — It is envisaged that the module will be supported with on-line learning materials. • Self-Directed Independent Learning — the emphasis on independent learning will develop strong and autonomous work and learning practices.
Module Aim:		The overall aim of this course is to equip the student with background knowledge of the operation of the legal system and its application and relevance to the caring professions

Learning Outcomes			
On successful completion of this module the learner should be able to:			
LO1	Develop understanding of relevance of European Law and International Legal Conventions to the Irish Legal System. D.1 P. 1. D.5 P.1,2,3.		
LO2	Understand and recognise accountability issues in professional practice. D.1 P.1,3,4,6,7,8,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17. D.2 P. 6,9. D.5 P.1,3.		
LO3	Understand and recognise legal issues relevant to a social care workplace. D.1 P.1,2,3,7,13. D.2 P.9. D.5 P.1,2,3.		
LO4	Apply legal knowledge to work place scenarios and reflect on legal boundaries of the social care profession. D.1 P.1,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17. D.2 P.6,9. D.4 P.3. D.5 P.1,2,3.		

Pre-requisite learning

Module RecommendationsThis is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is recommended before enrolment in this module.

Incompatible Modules
These are modules which have learning outcomes that are too similar to the learning outcomes of this module.

No incompatible modules listed

Co-requisite Modules

No Co-requisite modules listed

RequirementsThis is prior learning (or a practical skill) that is mandatory before enrolment in this module is allowed.

No requirements listed

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Module Content & Assessment

Indicative Content

EU and International Legal Dimension to Social Care Practice• EU Treaties and Regulations • Operation of EU and International Conventions vis a vis Irish law Eg. European Convention on Human Rights D.1 P.1,13. D.5 P.2.

Accountability
• Professional Negligence • Confidentiality • Informed Consent and Capacity • Duty of Disclosure • Report Writing D.1 P.1,2,3,4,6,7,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17.

Workplace Laws
• Overview of Contract Law; Employment Law and Equality Legislation. D. P. 1,8, 9, 13.

Assessment Breakdown	%
Continuous Assessment	40.00%
End of Module Formal Examination	60.00%

Continuous Assessment				
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Other	Hypothetical Work Placement Scenario's - this will show students awareness of potential workplace scenario's where legal considerations arise and will demonstrate students knowledge of the law in practice. D.1 P. 1,2,3,6, 7, 10,11,12, 14,15,16,17. D.2 P.6,7,9 D.4 P.3. D.5 P.1,2, 3.	1,2,3,4	40.00	n/a

No Project	
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No Practical

End of Module Formal Examination				
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Formal Exam	2 Hour Written Examination - will evidence the knowledge acquired and it's relevance to professional practice through essay and problem type questions. D.1 P.1,4,6, 8, 9,11,12, 13, 17. D.2 P.6,9. D.5 P.1,3.	1,2,3,4	60.00	End-of- Semester

SETU Carlow Campus reserves the right to alter the nature and timings of assessment



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Module Workload

Workload: Full Time		
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Lecture	12 Weeks per Stage	2.00
Tutorial	12 Weeks per Stage	1.00
Independent Learning	15 Weeks per Stage	5.93
	Total Hours	125.00

Module Delivered In

Programme Code	Programme	Semester	Delivery
CW_HWPSC_B	Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied Social Studies in Professional Social Care	4	Mandatory
CW_HWPSC_D	Bachelor of Arts in Applied Social Studies in Professional Social Care	4	Mandatory