

LAWS H3414: Legal Studies

Module Title:		Legal Studies 2		
Language of Instruction:		English		
Credits: 5				
NFQ Level: 7				
Module Delivered In		No Programmes		
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 - students will work as part of a team and will work together to resolve various legal scenarios. 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 a strong and autonomous work and learning practices.		
Module Aim:		The overall aim of this course is to equip the student with a 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 Understand and		and evaluate the legal protections afforded to children and the family in social care scenarios.		

Critically assess the laws relevant to various social care groups such as the elderly and those with a disability.

Understand the political process for developing new laws relevant to social care ensuring up to date knowledge of relevant

Access legislative sources to determine the provisions applicable to social care practice scenarios.

Pre-requisite learning

LO2

LO3

LO4

legal reforms.

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

No recommendations listed

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

This 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	
Aspects of Family Law • The Family, Guardianship and Custody • Domestic Violence	
Child Law Child Protection Children and the Criminal Justice System	
Legal Protections for Other Groups in Society • Law and the Elderly • Disability and the Law	

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

Continuous Assessment				
Assessment Type		Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date
Other	Project/In class exam based on material covered in module.	3,4	40.00	n/a

No Project	
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End of Module Formal Examination					
Assessment Type	Assessment Description	Outcome addressed	% of total	Assessment Date	
Formal Exam	2 Hour Written Examination	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	Every Week	1.50
Estimated Learner Hours	15 Weeks per Stage	7.33
	Total Hours	111.50

Workload: Part Time		
Workload Type	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload
Lecture	Every Week	0.75
	Total Hours	0.75