

| Module Details | | | | |
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| Module Title | Law and Gender (Distance Learning) | | | |
| Module Code | LAW7061-B | | | |
| Academic Year | 2023/4 | | | |
| Credits | 20 | | | |
| School | School of Law | | | |
| FHEQ Level | FHEQ Level 7 | | | |

| Contact Hours | | | | |
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| Туре | Hours | | | |
| Directed Study | 176 | | | |
| Online Lecture (Asynchronous) | 12 | | | |
| Online Seminar (Synchronous) | 12 | | | |

| Availability | | | | |
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| Occurrence | Location / Period | | | |
| DLA | University of Bradford / Semester 2 | | | |

Module Aims

This module aims to help students develop an awareness that law impacts differently on different groups of people and that taking a specifically feminist or gendered approach can highlight hidden assumptions and biases inherent in national, European and International Legal Systems. Understanding and appreciating this ultimately leads to a more holistic understanding of the law.

This module is an important component of the LLM in International Human Rights Law and Development programme because of the significance of gender related issues at national and international levels; and part of the LLM International Legal Studies as one of the significant areas of legal study that students could explore. This module is also suitable for any other postgraduate programme where gender related issues are an important part of the programme aims.

Outline Syllabus

N/A

| Learning Outcomes | | | | |
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| Outcome Number | Description | | | |
| 01 | Analyse primary legal materials from a feminist/gendered perspective (and where it sits within the trans, gender neutral and LGBTQ areas). | | | |
| 02 | Critique traditional legal discourse from a feminist/gendered perspective. | | | |
| 03 | Apply a gendered/feminist approach to legal reasoning. | | | |
| 04 | Complete a legal and academic piece of writing drawing on theoretical, academic and primary legal sources to underpin their arguments. | | | |

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

All sessions are delivered online using digital legal resources and appropriate learning technologies. The Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) for each module is the hub of knowledge through which all module materials are accessed and where a big part of student work takes place.

The module will be delivered over 12 weeks 5 of which will include synchronous learning and 7 asynchronous. Synchronous learning, which involves student interaction with module lecturers and tutors, includes four 2-hour "live" seminars focusing on delivering content, clarifying issues on the law topics, and discussing answers to student tasks. One additional 2-hour synchronous seminar will focus on the design of and preparation for the summative assessment, module revision, and the collection and review of student feedback which will be used to improve module delivery.

The seven weeks of asynchronous learning include a mix of learning activities such as pre-recorded online presentations or talks on a particular topic, links to relevant videos and online resources and lists of questions and tasks for self-study. You can watch the presentations, and videos and work on the answers and tasks on at your own time.

The learning materials and activities (synchronous and asynchronous) cover the underlying theory and consider issues of critical evaluation of the law through a combination of practical questions and case studies.

Successfully completing the tasks set requires independent legal research drawing on a variety of both primary and secondary materials and written and oral presentations by you.

Oral feedback is given in the class during the live sessions and opportunities for written feedback are provided. A formative assessment will be made available to help you better prepare for the summative assessment. An online module manual provides an outline of the module structure, content, learning and teaching strategy, and assessment format.

The manual is complemented by more detailed study guides which provide guidance on the topic of the weekly study and contain the learning materials (pre-recorded lectures, slides, tutorial tasks, self-study tasks) the reading lists, and other useful information for each week.

You will be assessed by written, essay-based coursework only in this module. This assessment will take the form of a feminist analysis of case law and you will be required to write a feminist judgment and explain your approach (trans, gender neutral and LGBTQ issues can also be included). This assessment will test your knowledge and understanding of feminist and gendered theories and approaches to law and legal reasoning while allowing you to choose a legal area relevant to this module and your own interests

| Mode of Assessment | | | | | |
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| Туре | Method | Description | Weighting | | |
| Summative | Coursework - Written | Essay based coursework (4000 words) | 100% | | |
| Formative | Coursework | Analysis of a case completed as part of workshop preparation | N/A | | |

Reading List

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

Please note:

This module descriptor has been published in advance of the academic year to which it applies. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information is accurate at the time of publication, but minor changes may occur given the interval between publishing and commencement of teaching. Upon commencement of the module, students will receive a handbook with further detail about the module and any changes will be discussed and/or communicated at this point.

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