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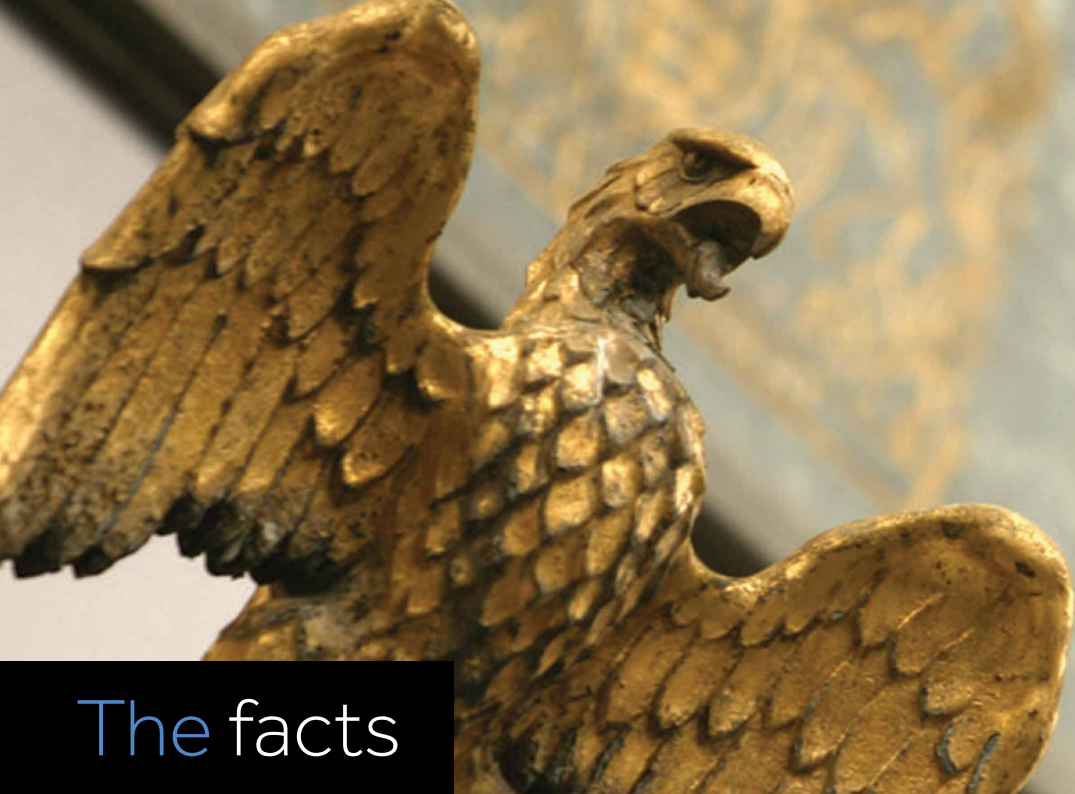


Law

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES 2015
SCHOOL OF LAW



www.manchester.ac.uk/law



The facts



Long-standing reputation as a distinguished centre of teaching and research in law

Legal Advice Centres, offering you hands-on experience of pro-bono work



Research-led teaching, with courses delivered by world-leading lawyers, criminologists and ethicists





“ I was attracted by the chance to work at the University Legal Advice Centre ... it gives students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience.

Sophie Taylor
LLB Law

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Our University

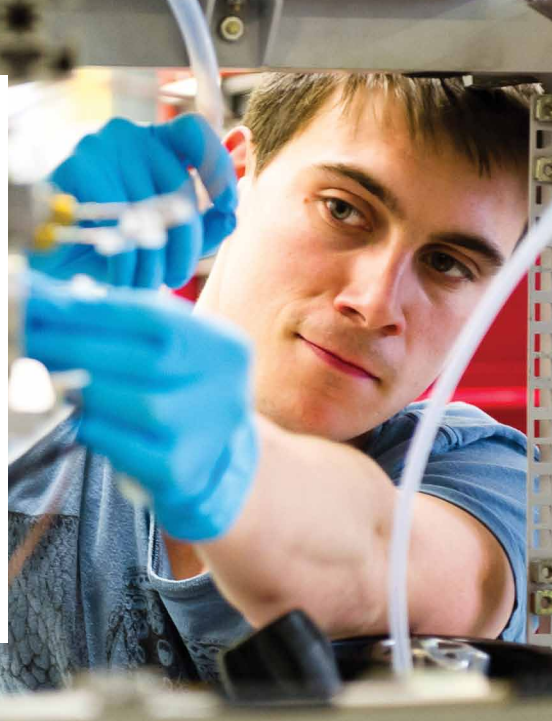
Making things happen

Influential, forward-thinking and down-to-earth, we'll give you an amazing university experience rooted in a rich academic heritage. We turn enthusiasm into achievement and ground-breaking theory into innovative practice.

We accomplish feats of global significance, from splitting the atom, to giving the world graphene – the two-dimensional wonder material that is one atom thick, but 200 times stronger than steel.

With more Nobel laureates on our staff than any other UK university, and strong links to industry and public services, we vitalise our undergraduate courses with pioneering research.

Learn more about us:
www.manchester.ac.uk



Introducing Manchester

Our University

Making things happen

Manchester lives on the edge of tomorrow, ever a step ahead in science, industry, media, sport and the arts. The Mancunian character – exemplified by the city's central role in the industrial revolution – strives for excellence and originality in all walks of life.

This is a city of many accents, having become a cosmopolitan magnet for students and professionals eager to experience its can-do attitude, independent spirit and cultural wealth.

Never content to live on past glories, Manchester has a passion for progress. Join us at the heart of Britain's most popular student city.

Discover what makes Manchester unique:
www.manchester.ac.uk/cityofmanchester





Your experience

Much more than a degree

With resources from the hi-tech 24/7 learning environment of our Alan Gilbert Learning Commons, to the countless personal development opportunities and specialist support services we offer, we will empower you to be your best.

Outstanding sport facilities, nearly 300 student societies, supported community volunteering, study abroad pathways, career development programmes, mentoring and much more all enable you to grow and develop outside of the lecture hall, giving you a well-rounded university experience that prepares you for life after graduation.

The only thing you won't experience is boredom.

Hear from some of our students:
www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/profiles



Your career

On a course to success

We are consistently one of the UK's most targeted universities by employers, thanks to courses and careers services designed with your employability in mind.

Our problem-based approach to learning inspires you to think critically, creatively and independently. Volunteering, personal development programmes and interdisciplinary learning could also give you a broader perspective and shape the socially responsible leaders of tomorrow.

We have the UK's best careers service, providing a wealth of advice and skills-development opportunities, and connecting you with employers to put you on a path to career success.

Take control of your career:
www.manchester.ac.uk/careers



Law

at Manchester

Our proud tradition of legal studies at Manchester, which started in 1872, has always included a rigorous grounding in the law and its techniques; but today we also emphasise a sound appreciation of its theoretical and policy implications, and the links between law and society.

Many serving judges are Manchester graduates or former academics, including the first female Justice of the UK Supreme Court, Baroness Hale of Richmond. We are held in high esteem by the legal profession and many leading solicitors' firms provide us with sponsorship.

Manchester's School of Law is a research-led teaching centre, where courses are delivered by academics engaged in world-leading research. As an undergraduate, you will be exposed to a breadth of scholarship, reflected in the wide range of courses we offer. We regularly achieve top ratings in national rankings of university law schools.

Our School has a full-time staff of more than 70 academics including lawyers, criminologists and ethicists, whose areas of interest encompass diverse subjects and approaches. These include private law, public law, European and international law, criminal law and justice, law and economics, environmental law, legal theory, human rights, health care law and philosophy.

Manchester Law graduates are highly regarded by the legal profession, and each year many of our students secure training contracts and pupillages with the most prestigious law firms and barristers' chambers. The School of Law was ranked joint seventh in the UK for graduate prospects by The Times Good University Guide 2013. Every graduate has a guaranteed place to study on the Legal Practice Course (LPC) with one of three major course providers, if they achieve a minimum 2:2 degree.

Although most of our students come to us with three good A-levels, we are equally interested in those returning to education who have alternative entry qualifications, or who have shown evidence of recent academic achievement on top of their work experience.





Course details

Law LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code M100

Law with Criminology LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code M1M9

Law with Politics LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code LM21

Other courses in the School of Law

Criminology BA 3yrs

UCAS Code M901

Typical offer

LLB

A-level **AAA**

IB **37 666 at HL**

LLB/BA Law with Politics and LLB Law with Criminology

A-level **AAB**

IB **35 665 at HL**

GCSE – good profile with grade A in English Language and B in Maths.

For detailed entry requirements to specific courses, visit:

www.manchester.ac.uk/law/undergraduate/courses

For information on overseas qualifications and foundation course entry requirements, visit:

www.manchester.ac.uk/law/undergraduate/international

Law LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code M100

The LLB is the largest undergraduate course that we offer. It covers the basic subjects of legal study, while also providing you with a diverse choice of specialist options to suit your particular interests and career plans. It is a qualifying law degree (QLD) and thus provides exemption from the Graduate Diploma in Law, which is otherwise required if you wish to become a barrister or solicitor.

In the first and second years you will study the core law course units required for the QLD: Contract Law, Torts Law, Land Law, Equity and Trusts, European Union Law, Public Law and Criminal Law. In your second and third years you will also be able to study several specialist course units, including other units from the University's Faculty of Humanities.

The School of Law offers a wide choice of specialist course units in law. These range from Family Law to Law and Ethics in War and Warfare, from Company Law to Mental Health Law, from Employment Law to Legal History, and from Criminal Evidence to Law of Freedom of Expression.

It is also possible to submit a dissertation in place of one of your specialist course units.

Law with Criminology LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code M1M9

This Joint Honours course builds on the many links between the related disciplines of law and criminology. Many of our staff take a socio-legal approach to their research and teaching, which is well suited to this course.

An advantage of taking law and criminology in one interdisciplinary School (as compared to taking a course run jointly by two different Schools) is that we are able to provide an integrated, coherent course that allows many topics to be approached from the viewpoint of both disciplines. Some subjects are taught by lawyers and criminologists working together. Some teaching staff carry out research on topics that require an understanding of both disciplines, such as sentencing and the treatment of victims of crime, so you will benefit from up-to-date thinking and knowledge.

By following Track 1 of the course, you will complete the core course units required for a QLD. Track 2 specialises increasingly in criminology or specialist law course units of your choice.

Law with Politics LLB (Hons) 3yrs

UCAS Code LM21

This Joint Honours course builds on the many links between the two sister disciplines of politics and law. Our expertise makes Manchester an especially good place to study in this increasingly important field. It is a QLD and thus provides exemption from the Graduate Diploma in Law, which is otherwise required if you wish to become a barrister or solicitor.

The Law part of the course provides you with a solid and comprehensive grounding in key legal principles, as well as enabling you to specialise in particular areas of interest in later years.

In Politics, we introduce you to leading approaches in areas such as international relations and European politics, as well as core theoretical concepts. Building on this foundation, you are free to follow your particular interests within the field of politics in your second and third years.



Manchester is one of only a few universities to offer Law with Politics, I did both subjects at A-level and didn't want to 'give up' Politics when I came to university. The course seemed like the perfect mix of the two sister disciplines.

Hollie Walsh
LLB Law with Politics



Other courses in the School of Law

Criminology BA 3yrs

UCAS Code M901

More information about this course can be found in the Criminology prospectus, available from the School of Law Recruitment and Admissions Office (contact details page 15).



Life in our School

Teaching and learning

Formal-based contact hours (lectures and seminars) amount to between 10 and 12 hours per week. We expect you to spend around 40 hours per week studying, including attending lectures and seminars. Lectures are conducted to a large cohort of students, where you are taught an overview of a particular subject by a specialist in the field.

Seminars are small groups of up to 12 students and a member of staff. In these, you discuss and present aspects of a legal topic that you are learning. You should prepare in advance for the discussion and are required to submit written work for each course unit.

We have weekly feedback/drop-in hours of up to one hour per week per course unit, where you have the opportunity to meet with specialist teaching staff on a one-to-one basis to discuss your progress.

We also offer weekly skills sessions throughout the year, working in conjunction with local and international lawyers and our careers service to enhance both your academic learning progress and your employability.

Legal advice centres

You could gain practical legal experience in both 'real life' cases and pro-bono work in our legal advice centres. More than 300 students volunteer for this annually and are supervised by over 40 local lawyers at client interview, research and in preparation of client advice letters.

Our original centre, based on campus, has been in existence for more than 13 years. We also now have three outreach centres at East Manchester, the Waiyin Chinese Women Society (China Town) and the Civil Courts of Justice. The centres are quality marked by the Legal Services Commission.

Pastoral care and mentor scheme

All students are assigned an academic advisor, who will be available throughout your studies to provide support and advice. You can also discuss any concerns regarding individual course units with lecturers, seminar supervisors and course directors.

You will also be assigned a mentor (a current second or third-year student) to ensure you make the most of your time at Manchester, both academically and socially. Mentors can help you adapt to university life and to get involved in the School of Law and all its activities throughout your first year.

Study abroad

Our School fosters links with overseas institutions, and we have an expanding student exchange programme through the Erasmus Exchange scheme in Europe and with universities in Singapore, Australia, the USA and Hong Kong.

For further information about our study abroad programme, see:

www.law.manchester.ac.uk/law/undergraduate/study-abroad

Internships

We also have organised formal internships in Malaysia and Singapore. In Malaysia, this is in conjunction with law firms, and in Singapore with the Pro Bono Division of the Law Society. We regularly have around 40 students take part in these internships each year.

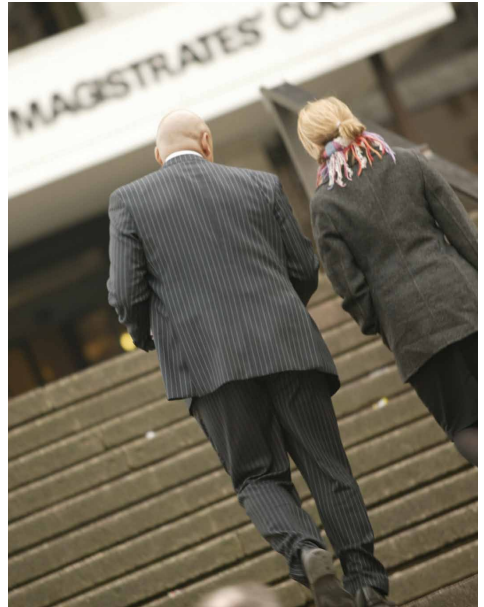
Manchester University Law Society (MULS)

This well established student society runs a number of popular social events and sporting opportunities, all of which are sponsored by law firms (both City and regional). Socials include the Spring Ball, pub quizzes and a Halloween party.

MULS also liaises with our External Relations Director and University Careers Service to ensure that our students are aware of the importance of the optional weekly skills sessions and presentations offered by the School of Law to enhance student employability.

Run by students for students, MULS adds to the student experiences of university life and, it is hoped, creates a bond between all our students from Year 1. Other societies in the School of Law include:

- Streetlaw Society
- Advocacy Society
- Manchester Debating Society
- Pro Bono Society
- School of Law Music Ensemble
- Manchester Criminology Society



Sport

In addition to the University sports teams, our School of Law has five sports teams, including two football teams, two netball teams and a rugby team. We hold an annual sports day with teams from several other universities, sponsored by a Magic Circle law firm.



Career opportunities

If you want to practise as a solicitor or barrister, the LLB (Hons) Law, LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology and LLB (Hons) Law with Politics cover all the core course units you need to qualify for exemptions at the next stage in your training. We have strong links with the legal professions and public services, and our graduates have an excellent record of securing employment both in the legal profession and in other professional environments. Careers advice is available from a dedicated careers advisor.

Our School of Law and the University's Careers Service have developed a dedicated careers education programme: Getting into the Legal Profession (GILP). Each year, as part of this programme, we run a series of employability workshops, delivered by an in-house team, practitioners from local and City law firms and the Careers Service. You will also gain advice on nonlaw careers as an extension of this programme.

How to apply

All applications for full-time undergraduate courses in higher education are coordinated by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). You must apply online at: www.ucas.com

If you are unable to access the internet, we advise you to contact the UCAS Customer Service Unit on: +44 (0)871 468 0468.

Find out more online



Accommodation

Discover your new home:

www.manchester.ac.uk/accommodation

Admissions and applications

Everything you need to apply:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/howtoapply

Alan Gilbert Learning Commons

Our hi-tech 24/7 independent learning space:

www.manchester.ac.uk/library/learningcommons

Careers

Take control of your career:

www.manchester.ac.uk/careers

Childcare

Balancing learning and caring:

www.manchester.ac.uk/childcare

Disability support

Talk to us about any support you need:

www.manchester.ac.uk/dso

Funding and finance

Fees, loans, scholarships and more:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentfinance

International students

Prepare for life at Manchester, UK:

www.manchester.ac.uk/international

IT Services

Online learning, computer access, IT support:

www.manchester.ac.uk/itservices

Library

One of the UK's largest and best-resourced:

www.manchester.ac.uk/library

Maps

Campus, city and accommodation:

www.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/travel/maps

Prospectus

Download or order a copy:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/prospectus



Sport

Get active with clubs, classes, leagues and facilities:

www.manchester.ac.uk/sport

Support

Help with academic, personal, financial and administrative issues:

my.manchester.ac.uk/guest

Students' Union

The UK's largest student hub:

www.manchesterstudentsunion.com

Videos

Our University on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/universitymanchester





Contact details



Disclaimer

This brochure is prepared well in advance of the academic year to which it relates. Consequently, details of courses may vary with staff changes. The University therefore reserves the right to make such alterations to courses as are found to be necessary. If the University makes an offer of a place, it is essential that you are aware of the current terms on which the offer is based. If you are in any doubt, please feel free to ask for confirmation of the precise position for the year in question, before you accept the offer.

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