

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS LAW  
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5  
**Credit Value:** 24  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 40  
**Total Learning Hours:** 240  
**Private Study:** 200

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Tutorial	16

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Essay	AS1	Essay Assignment 1	50	
Essay	AS2	Essay Assignment 2	50	

### Aims

*To provide an introduction to the ways in which businesses are set up, managed and might evolve.*

*To explore the different organizational structures that a business can adopt in their start up and development stages.*

*To consider the relationship between those persons involved in the management of*

*a business under each business model and the power, rights and duties of such persons as between each other.*

*To provide an introduction to contemporary employment law issues relevant to business start up and development.*

*To provide a brief background to agency and sales law.*

*To enable students to apply basic employment, agency and sales law in advising persons engaged in business.*

## **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Explain and evaluate the different forms of business models available in English Law and to recognise the circumstances that must be present before a particular business model should be adopted by a business.
- 2 Compare and contrast these different business models and recognise the strengths and weaknesses that each model represents.
- 3 Explain and analyse the processes and procedures necessary to set up a particular business model.
- 4 Define and evaluate the relationship, powers, rights and duties, between those persons involved in the management of a business under each business model.
- 5 Identify certain basic concepts relating to employment law and the issues that may arise from employing labour in the running of a business.
- 6 Demonstrate knowledge of basic sales and agency law.
- 7 Apply that knowledge of basic employment, agency and sales law in advising persons engaged in running and working in a business.

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Essay 1	1	2	3	4
Essay 2	5	6	7	

## **Outline Syllabus**

*Sole Traders, Partnerships and Companies, a comparative analysis.*

*Rights, duties and obligations of partners inter se.*

*Powers and duties of company directors.*

*Agency Law and its application to business.*

*Contemporary issues in employing labour and basic employment law.*

*An introduction to basic Sales Law.*

## **Learning Activities**

Lecture and Tutorials

## **Notes**

The module is an introduction to specific elements of business law. Topics will include formation and management of partnerships, an introduction to incorporated structures with emphasis on formation. The module will also take an introductory look at some contemporary issues in employment law, sales and agency law affecting business.