

### Summary Information

Module Code	5105LBSAF
Formal Module Title	Law for Accounting and Finance
Owning School	Business and Management
Career	Undergraduate
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 5
Grading Schema	40

### Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Business and Management

### Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	22
Online	11
Workshop	11

### Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
SEP-MTP	MTP	September	12 Weeks

### Aims and Outcomes

Aims	This module enables students to understand and apply a knowledge of the English Legal System, the basic Law of tort (negligence), The Law of contract, and agency. The module provides an understanding of the legal nature of the limited company and of its constitution; the basic rules for the protection of potential investors; the company law requirements concerning corporate reports and accounts; the duties of directors and auditors; the concept of majority rule and minority protection and the corporate insolvency regimes.
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**After completing the module the student should be able to:**

**Learning Outcomes**

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Apply the Law of Contract, negligence and agency to a factual situation(s).
MLO2	2	Apply company law including, limited liability, corporate capacity, articles of association to a business situation.
MLO3	3	Describe the doctrine of maintenance of capital, the rules which give effect to it and the company law requirements concerning corporate reports and accountants.
MLO4	4	Explain the distribution of power within the company between the board and the company in general meetings. Show understanding of directors' Statutory Duties under the Companies Act.
MLO5	5	Explain the duty of the auditor and the limits on the tortious liability of the auditor. List the remedies for mismanagement contained in the Insolvency Act 1986

**Module Content**

Outline Syllabus	1.The English Legal System Custom, Legislation, Judicial Precedent and European Community Law as sources of English Law.The system of courts in England and Wales.2.The Law of TortNegligence. Elements of the tort of Negligence. Nervous Shock. The doctrines of res ipsa loquitur, Contributory negligence and vicarious liability. Strict liability. Liability for negligent misstatement. Remedies in tort.3. The Law of ContractDefinition of a Contract. Classification of Contracts. Essential elements of a valid simple contract viz an agreement, intention to create legal relations and consideration. Form. Contractual capacity of minors and persons of unsound mind.The doctrine of privity of Contract. Vitiating factors in a Contract (in outline only). Terms of a Contract.Remedies for breach of contract.4.Agency. The relationship between principles and agent. Agent's liability for its actions.5.Formation of the limited company; concepts of corporate personality and the limited liability. Contents of the memorandum of association. Nature of the articles of association.6.Maintenance of capital, issues at a premium and discount; company purchase of its own shares; prohibition of giving financial assistance.7.Distribution of power within the company; removal of directors; director's duties. The rule in Foss & Harbottle and the exceptions to it.8.Corporate reports and accounts. Appointment and removal of the auditor; auditor's duty and liability. Liability under the Insolvency Act 1986 for wrongful trading, fraudulent trading and misfeasance
Module Overview	
Additional Information	This module will enable students to understand the basic principles of English law as it affects their practical roles in the Commercial World. Also, this module provides a greater depth of Company Law as a specialist area and is aimed at students with ambitions to go into professional practice as accountants.

**Assessments**

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Presentation	In-class test	20	0	MLO1

Centralised Exam	Closed Book Exam	80	3	MLO2, MLO3, MLO4, MLO5
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## Module Contacts

### Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Katie Hall	Yes	N/A

### Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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