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Title: LAW OF SUCCESSION
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Owning School/Faculty: Law
Teaching School/Faculty: Law

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Academic Level: FHEQ6 **Credit Value:** 24 **Total Delivered Hours:** 54
Total Learning Hours: 240 **Private Study:** 186

Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Standard Year Long

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Seminar	16
Tutorial	12

Grading Basis: 40 %

Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Exam	AS1	2 hours, Clean copies of Property Statutes are allowed	50	2
Essay	AS2	which will require the detailed examination of documents	50	1

Aims

To provide students with an understanding of the law relating to wills, intestate succession, the administration of estates of deceased persons and the practical and

technical application of that law.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Demonstrate a solid grounding in the basic concepts and principles of succession law
- 2 Clearly ascertain and evaluate the relevant facts from an unfamiliar scenario
- 3 Demonstrate an ability to apply the gained knowledge to complex probate problems
- 5 Solve practical problems arising from the administration of an estate of a deceased person
- 6 Demonstrate an ability to select key issues from a variety of sources

Learning Outcomes of Assessments

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

EXAM	1	2	3	5
ESSAY	2	3	6	

Outline Syllabus

The nature and content of a will; capacity to make a will; formal requirements for the construction of a will; vitiating factors; revocation; codicils; role of personal representatives and executors; intestacy provisions; potential claims under the Inheritance [Provision for Family & Dependents] Act 1975.

Learning Activities

Lectures, preparation for seminars and tutorials, non assessed formative assessment concerning tutorial performance, preparation for coursework and examination

Notes

The law of succession is concerned with the disposition of property belonging to a dead person. We will be looking at a deceased who has the foresight to draft a will and the necessary requirements for a valid will. In addition we will be looking at the provisions applied to a deceased person who did not have a valid will (for whatever reason!) We will also be looking at the impact of the family inheritance provisions, allowing disgruntled spouses, partners and issue to ask the Court for more (or indeed any!) money from the deceased's estate. In short, death and money.