## **Liverpool** John Moores University

Title: Comparative European Private Law

Status: Definitive

Code: **7106LAWPL** (119606)

Version Start Date: 01-08-2013

Owning School/Faculty: Law Teaching School/Faculty: Law

| Team          | Leader |
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Academic Credit Total

Level: FHEQ7 Value: 15.00 Delivered 18.00

Hours:

Total Private

Learning 150 Study: 132

**Hours:** 

**Delivery Options** 

Course typically offered: Semester 1

| Component | Contact Hours |
|-----------|---------------|
| Seminar   | 18.000        |

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

#### **Assessment Details**

| Category | Short<br>Description | Description           | Weighting (%) | Exam<br>Duration |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Essay    | AS1                  | Coursework Assignment | 100.0         |                  |

#### Aims

- 1. To provide students with knowledge and critical analysis of key themes of European law within the dicsrete areas of Private Law
- 2. To provide a focused programme of study designed to provide advanced knowledge and skills directly relevant to the European sector through the delivery of a discrete syllabus content of Contract and Family Law from the private law perspective

3. To provide students with the opportunity through critical ana; ysis to understand the complexities arising in this particular field of law

### **Learning Outcomes**

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- A3 Develop through the Core and Option Modules a more in-depth knowledge and understanding sufficient to demonstrate some critical evaluation of key issues and current developments in the areas of European Law
- D1 Apply critical and analytical skills associated with legal analysis to identified scenario and situations
- D4 Formulate judgements and identify a range of possible solutions to a given problem

## **Learning Outcomes of Assessments**

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

4000 words A3 D1 D4

# **Outline Syllabus**

- A Contracts
- 1. Capacity and formal requirements
- 2. Factors affecting validity
- 3. Construction
- 4. Third Parties
- 5. Breach and supervening events

#### B Family

- 1. Marriage, cohabitation and informal unions outside marriage; Civil partnerships
- 2. Rights in Property and Divorce
- 3. Relationship breakdown
- 4. Human Rights impact on european Family Law

## **Learning Activities**

All modules utilise blended learning to enrich the intellectual and innovative landscape of the course through methods involving interactice, self-directed and independent learning.

Lecturer-produced materials where appropriate will be available electronically for students to access.

Students will have opportunities to collaborate with each other in their learning cohort in structured seminar sessions.

Generally, the teaching and learning style of delivery is seminar/workshop-based with students being required to undertake perliminary reading in order to prepare for and actively participate in group discussion.

### References

| <b>Course Material</b> | Book                                |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Author                 | De Cruz, P                          |
| <b>Publishing Year</b> | 2007                                |
| Title                  | Comparative Law in a Changing World |
| Subtitle               |                                     |
| Edition                |                                     |
| Publisher              |                                     |
| ISBN                   |                                     |

| Course Material | Book                               |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Author          | Zweigert, K and Kotz, H            |
| Publishing Year | 1992                               |
| Title           | An Introduction to Comparative Law |
| Subtitle        |                                    |
| Edition         |                                    |
| Publisher       |                                    |
| ISBN            |                                    |

| Course Material | Book                              |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Author          | De Cruz, P                        |
| Publishing Year | 2010                              |
| Title           | Family Law Sex and Society        |
| Subtitle        | A comparative Study of Family Law |
| Edition         |                                   |
| Publisher       | Routledge                         |
| ISBN            |                                   |

| Course Material | Book                                 |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Author          | Choudhury, S and Herring, J          |
| Publishing Year | 2010                                 |
| Title           | European Human Rights and Family Law |
| Subtitle        |                                      |
| Edition         |                                      |
| Publisher       | Hart Publishing                      |
| ISBN            |                                      |

### **Notes**

This is an Option Module on the LLM European Law