

### Summary Information

Module Code	7310LAWLP
Formal Module Title	Family Law and Practice
Owning School	Law
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	10
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

### Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery
Law

### Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	3
Seminar	12

### Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-MTP	MTP	January	12 Weeks

### Aims and Outcomes

Aims	The primary aim of the course is to prepare students for practice in family work and to enable students to acquire the relevant knowledge and skills relevant to all stages of family work. The elective will give a grounding in the main areas of concern to a matrimonial solicitor dealing with protection from domestic violence, private child law, marital separation and breakdown, and advising the unmarried family
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**After completing the module the student should be able to:**

**Learning Outcomes**

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Analyse factual material when acting for a party to a family dispute, identify the legal context in which factual issues arise and relate the central legal and factual issues to each other
MLO2	2	Demonstrate an awareness of different means of resolving disputes in family matters including their attendant costs, benefits and risks
MLO3	3	identify the steps and strategies that need to be taken in the preparation and conduct of family litigation
MLO4	4	Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the curriculum for family law and practice approved by the Solicitors Regulation Authority at validation in December 2009

**Module Content**

Outline Syllabus	Domestic violence remedies in civil and criminal law Private child law Divorce and dissolution Ancillary financial relief on divorce Financial issues arising in the unmarried family.
Module Overview	Prepares you for practice in family work to enable you to acquire the relevant knowledge and skills relevant to this area.
Additional Information	<p>This is an elective on the LPC as dictated by the relevant professional bodies. This module is also offered as a CPD - Details below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>programme code 35363</li> <li>intake month(s) The elective subject is delivered between March and June.</li> <li>PSRB accreditation This module was validated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority in 2009</li> <li>relevant subject benchmark statement(s) and other external reference points used to inform programme outcomes The module is informed by the SRA Outcomes 2011 and by professional legal practice.</li> <li>mode and duration of study This is a 10 week course</li> <li>criteria for admission to the programme The student will have completed the academic stage of training as prescribed by the Solicitors Regulation Authority.</li> <li>name of the final award Certificate in Family Law and practice</li> <li>Student support arrangements It is anticipated that this elective will be taken by students who have already undertaken Stage 1 of the Post Graduate Diploma in Law at LJMU. They will already have a personal tutor who has conducted structured pdp meetings and will continue that relationship during their study of the subject as CPD. If a student were to apply who had not studied Stage 1 at LJMU a personal tutor will be allocated and an individual induction would be arranged for that student.</li> </ul> <p>Alignment with the AF The programme has been written in line with the LJMU Academic Framework (<a href="http://www.ljmu.ac.uk/about-us/public-information/academic-quality-and-regulations/academic-framework">www.ljmu.ac.uk/about-us/public-information/academic-quality-and-regulations/academic-framework</a>). Variances have been granted on the basis of PSRB requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students are permitted three attempts at every assessment</li> <li>All students may take up to 5 years from the date of their first assessment to complete the course.</li> </ul> <p>date at which the programme was written or revised The programme was written in 2009 and validated by the SRA in December 2009 and LJMU in February 2010. Since that time the structure of the programme has not changed but subject content has been updated annually in line with legal professional practice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>methods for evaluating and improving the quality and standards of learning Quality and standards: The programme will be evaluated in the same way as all modules on the Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice by means of Student Feedback and Evaluation. Internal Review and External Examining and quality will be assured and improved means of by Peer Observation, PDP and staff development opportunities.</li> </ul> <p>Alignment for annual monitoring and external examining purposes The CPD will align with the elective module for annual monitoring and external examining purposes.</p>

**Assessments**

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
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Centralised Exam	Exam	100	3	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4
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## Module Contacts

### Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Fiona Fargher	Yes	N/A

### Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
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