Housing Law and Practice

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7312LAWLP
Formal Module Title	Housing 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 module is designed to equip students for work in a solicitors' practice in the following areas:• Rights, responsibilities and remedies of residential tenants (apart from long-leaseholders) and their landlords;• The duties of local authorities to those who are homeless or otherwise in need of alternative housing;• Claims for possession against residential borrowers by secured lenders.

After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Advise residential occupier, landlord, secured lender or local authority on common issues arising in housing law
MLO2	2	Plan the steps involved and draft key documents relating to commonly encountered proceedings in housing law
MLO3	3	Prepare and present arguments in simple hearings commonly encountered in housing law
MLO4	4	Identify and deal with ethical and professional conduct issues which arise in the context of housing law

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	• Types of tenure• Security of tenure for residential tenants• Possession proceedings where tenant has limited security• Possession proceedings on rent arrears grounds• Anti-social behaviour• Unlawful eviction• Disrepair and other defects in rented residential premises• Homelessness• Allocation of rented social housing
Module Overview	
Additional Information	Students taking this elective are assumed to have a basic knowledge of leasehold tenure and of civil litigation.This is an elective on the LPC as dictated by the relevant professional bodies.This module is also offered as a CPD - Details below:• Programme code - 35989• Intake month - March • PSRB accreditation - This module was validated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) in 2012.• Relevant subject benchmark statement(s) and other external reference points used to inform programme outcomes - The module is informed by the SRA "LPC Outcomes 2011" and by professional legal practice.• Mode and duration of study - 10 week part time course (excluding spring break and subsequent assessment)• Criteria for admission to the programme – Degree or equivalent professional experience (and ideally, a basic knowledge of leasehold tenure and civil litigation). Students taking the CPD to enable the award to count as one of the Stage 2 Electives for the purpose of the Legal Practice Course would additionally need to hold a Qualifying Law degree or other qualification accepted as equivalent by the SRA.• name of the final award – Certificate of Professional Development Housing Law and Practice• Student support arrangements – One of the staff teaching this module will be designated personal tutor. A short induction will be arranged.• Alignment with the LJMU Academic Framework – The module is already part of a programme which aligns with the Academic Framework Regulations for Postgraduate Taught Programmes where delivery commenced in or after September 2016 (https://www.ljmu.ac.uk/~/media/sample-sharepoint-libraries/policy-documents/288.pdf?la=en), subject to variances to enable compliance with PSRB requirements (students are permitted three attempts at each summative assessment and may choose when to take referrals or deferrals in those assessments, subject to an overall time limit of 5 years commencing on the date of the first assessment taken on the LPC).• Date at which the programme was written or revised – Designed in outline in 2012, fully written and first delivered in 2015, updated annually in accordance with legal professional practice.• Methods for evaluating and improving the quality and standards of learning - 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. Quality will be assured and improved means of by Peer Observation, PDP and staff development opportunities.• Alignment for annual monitoring and external examining purposes – For both these purposes, this programme will be aligned with the Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice Programme.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping

| Centralised Exam | Exam | 100 | 3 | MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4 |

Module Contacts