Land Law

Module Code: LAW6001-B  
Academic Year: 2018-19  
Credit Rating: 20  
School: School of Law  
Subject Area: Law  
FHEQ Level: FHEQ Level 6  
Module Leader: Mr Robin Lister

Pre-requisites: Business Law and Ethics 2016-17, Contract Law 2016-17,  
Co-requisites:

Contact Hours

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Availability Periods

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Module Aims

This module is designed to give you a sound grasp of the concepts and principles underpinning land law in England and Wales and to develop your capacity to effectively identify, apply and critique the rules and principles regulating the ownership, acquisition and enforceability of proprietary rights in land. The module additionally aims to develop your awareness of the political and socio-economic contexts of our land law in the twenty-first century.
Outline Syllabus

The syllabus includes an introduction to fundamental property principles and the fundamental distinctions between personal and proprietary rights and remedies, between law and equity and legal and equitable ownership, rights and remedies and between the two legal estates and other legal and equitable interests in land. In addition we cover the formality requirements for the creation and disposition of interests in land and the two systems for proving ownership of land and rights in land: unregistered and registered title-deed conveyancing; leases, licences and leasehold covenants; trusts of land and co-ownership; informally created interests in land, namely resulting and constructive trusts and proprietary estoppel; easements, mortgages, property and human rights and aspects of land law reform past and future. The syllabus may additionally include adverse possession and freehold covenants.

Module Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to...

1. LO1 Identify, analyse, and evaluate the concepts of ownership, co-ownership and other proprietary rights in land;

2. LO2 appreciate the human rights, political, social and economic contexts of land law and law reform;

3. LO3 Research, analyse and evaluate the legal principles governing the ownership of land and rights in land;

4. LO4 apply those principles critically to property disputes and issues, constructing coherent legal arguments to reach appropriate conclusions and solutions;

5. LO5 Explain and evaluate legal rules, principles and solutions in a register comprehensible to a non-lawyer and in clear, accurate written English.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Your learning will be directed, supported and reinforced through a combination of lectures, tutorials and guided private study. Lectures will introduce and explain key concepts and principles. In tutorials you will learn how to apply statutes and cases appropriate to the different elements of the syllabus through a series of case studies (LO1, LO3 and LO4). You will carry out progressive research, analysis and evaluation exercises in undertaking the case studies (LO3 and LO5). You will also examine the relationship between property rights, human rights and issues of social and economic justice and ethics which are at the core of land ownership and exploitation (LO2; ESD). Your formal assessment will consist of a short written assignment and an end examination based on scenarios, published in advance. The written assignment will test Learning Outcomes 3, 4 and specifically 5, through the medium of a client letter dealing with a land law problem. The examination will test Learning Outcomes 1 to 4. Your learning will be supported by an extensive range of materials, including model answers, and a Land Law discussion forum, all provided on VLE.

Mode of Assessment
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<td>Summative</td>
<td>Examination - open book or seen paper</td>
<td>A ‘seen’ examination - Candidates may take unannotated and unmarked copies of property statutes into the examination.</td>
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<td>Summative</td>
<td>Coursework</td>
<td>A client letter, or similar, dealing with a land law problem (not more than 1000 words)</td>
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**Legacy Code (if applicable)**

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**Reading List**

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