

Module Details	
Module Title:	Environmental Law
Module Code:	LAW6021-B
Academic Year:	2019-20
Credit Rating:	20
School:	School of Law
Subject Area:	Law
FHEQ Level:	FHEQ Level 6
Pre-requisites:	
Co-requisites:	

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	22
Tutorials	10
Directed Study	168

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1 (Sep - Jan)

Module Aims
<p>The module aims to offer an overview of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The general legal framework and different regulatory regimes for the protection of the environment at the international, European and national The key aspects of the law concerned with climate change, pollution control and nature conservation A number of emerging themes within environmental law and policy

Outline Syllabus
<p>The module covers the following issues: Introduction to modern environmental law and regulation, the role of international policies and treaties, and EU environmental law and policy.</p>

Drawing on a number of legal materials the module will explore the complex social, economic and political context in which environmental law exists. It will consider some current environmental issues of major international concern, e.g. nature protection, climate change, pollution control, and the relationship between international trade and the environment. In so doing the module will evaluate the extent to which current environmental law and policies provide suitable mechanisms for achieving sustainable human and environmental futures. In addition the module covers a number of emerging subjects of environmental regulation such as the interaction between EU climate and energy policy, specifically in relation to renewable and unconventional sources of energy, energy efficiency, and eco-design of consumer products.

Learning Outcomes

1	LO1 Demonstrate a clear understanding of the main concepts, rules and principles of environmental law
2	LO2 Develop the skills and awareness to appreciate the operation of law within the environmental law in general in the context of various legal institutions, legal rules and legal principles
3	LO3 Present coherent arguments supported by appropriate legal basis, case law and policy
4	LO4 Demonstrate your cognitive skills, in particular research, synthesis, and critical evaluation

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Lectures establish the framework of environmental law. Seminars allow detailed application of knowledge gained through lectures and will always require advance preparation. The private study takes the form of directed study following on from lectures and in preparing for seminars. The teaching method promotes knowledge and understanding of environmental law and allows for the development of various skills, including analysis, synthesis, critical judgement, evaluation, and legal research skills (LO1 and LO4). The module is assessed through four pieces of short essay-type answers. The assignment tests the knowledge and understanding of environmental law as well as the ability to write appropriately using legal language and citing relevant legal authorities (LO3).

Mode of Assessment

Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Summative	Coursework	Research essay of no more than 3000 words		100%

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html>.

Please note:

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