

Module Details			
Module Title	International Criminal Law		
Module Code	LAW7046-B		
Academic Year	2021/2		
Credits	20		
School	School of Law		
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7		

Contact Hours				
Туре	Hours			
Seminars	22			
Directed Study	178			

Availability				
Occurrence	Location / Period			
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2			

Module Aims

This module aims to provide students with an understanding of both institutional and substantive aspects of international criminal law, examining the sources and institutions of international criminal law. The module will examine developments in the field of international criminal law and encourage students to reflect on the nature, function, strengths and weakness of international justice mechanisms. It will enable students to gain an appreciation of the role that international criminal justice should play as a part of a wider response to mass atrocity.

Outline Syllabus

The challenges of International criminal justice
The general principles of International criminal law
Institutions of International criminal law
Definitions and elements of the core international crimes
International crimes and National courts

Learning Outcomes				
Outcome Number	Description			
01	Critically evaluate the work of the various courts and tribunals that have been used to prosecute international crimes; understand and be able to apply the essential elements of the principal crimes prosecuted by these institutions and assess the challenges of international criminal justice			
02	Apply knowledge of international criminal law to contemporary situations and attempt a critical analysis of the successes and failures of the international criminal tribunals in responding to them.			
03	Research issues in international criminal law using a mixture of primary and secondary sources.			
04	Think critically about international dimensions in law.			

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Learning will be directed, supported and reinforced through series of 2-hour weekly workshops. The sessions will use theoretical discussions and practical applications of cases and case studies to enable students to think critically about international dimensions of criminal law and about obstacles and developments in thisemerging field, with oral feedback given in classes. Some of the sessions may be student-led presentations.

Drawing on primary and secondary sources, students will complete research and presentation exercises. Also, students will be set tasks to monitor their progress, in addition to formal assessment. All teaching will be supported by information supplied on the virtual learning space, Canvas.

The module is assessed by one piece of coursework. The student will provide a writing sample in which a student constructs a response to a question, topic, or brief statement, and supplies supporting details or arguments. This will provide evidence that can be used to assess the student's understanding and/or ability to analyse and synthesize information.

Mode of Assessment					
Туре	Method	Description	Weighting		
Summative	Coursework - Written	Individual assignment 0-4000 words	100%		
Formative	Presentation	Individual presentation	N/A		

Reading List

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

Please note:

This module descriptor has been published in advance of the academic year to which it applies. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information is accurate at the time of publication, but minor changes may occur given the interval between publishing and commencement of teaching. Upon commencement of the module, students will receive a handbook with further detail about the module and any changes will be discussed and/or communicated at this point.