



**1. Programme Title(s) and UCAS code(s):**

LLB/Maitrise in English and French Law (M120)

**2. Awarding body or institution:**

University of Leicester and University of Strasbourg

*(The LLB/Maitrise in English and French Law is a dual award. Upon completion of the programme students receive the award of LLB from the University of Leicester and the award of Maitrise from the University of Strasbourg)*

**3. a) Mode of study: Full time**

**b) Type of study: Campus Based**

**4. Registration periods:**

The normal period of registration is two years in Leicester and two years in Strasbourg

The maximum period of registration is six years

**5. Typical entry requirements (2017-18):**

Students must be fluent in both English and French. Interviews will be conducted in both French and English at the University of Leicester between the months of February and April preceding registration.

A/AS Levels: Three A levels including French. General Studies and Law accepted. Typical Offer: AAB from 3 A levels. Two AS levels considered in place of one A level other than in French for this degree.

Key Skills / Functional Skills: are not included in any offer

GCSE: English Language strongly preferred at grade C or above

European Baccalaureate: Pass with 80% overall

French Baccalaureate: Pass with 15 points overall

International Baccalaureate: Pass with 33 points (with two grade 6s at Higher level, one to be in French)

Cypriot Apolytirion: 19.5/20 (including 19 in French), plus an English Language qualification.

Other Qualifications: International, Irish, Scottish, OU and other qualifications welcomed. Mature students welcomed: alternative qualifications considered.

**6. Accreditation of Prior Learning:**

Second Year entry is not possible.

**7. Programme aims:**

The LLB/Maitrise programme aims to:

- provide fluent students with equal degrees of competence in English and French Law. For this purpose, the period of study is equally divided between both countries, the first two years of the programme being spent in Leicester and the final two years in Strasbourg;
- provide a stimulating intellectual environment informed by the research and teaching strengths of the Leicester and Strasbourg Law Departments;
- develop a critical understanding of the English, French and European legal orders;
- develop skills in legal reasoning, including problem solving, synthesis and logical analysis;

- develop a knowledge and understanding of cognate areas of English and French law;
- develop and appreciation of the social and policy issues underlying the law in both the English and French legal orders;
- develop an appreciation of the different approaches to the study of law adopted by different types of legal scholars;
- develop legal research skills;
- develop various transferable skills, particularly in oral and written communication in both French and English, independent learning, and information handling;
- equip students with subject-specific and transferable skills in preparation for employment in a wide area including teaching, academic research, marketing, journalism, law, trainee management, publishing, administration, media and the arts, travel and tourism, leisure industry, hotel and catering, social work.

#### 8. Reference points used to inform the programme specification:

- QAA benchmarking statement for Law  
<http://www.qaa.ac.uk/en/Publications/Documents/Subject-benchmark-statement-Law-2007.pdf>
- The Framework for Higher Education Qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland (FHEQ)
- University of Leicester Learning Strategy  
<http://www.le.ac.uk/teaching/strategy.html>
- University of Leicester Employability Strategy
- Annual Internal Module Review and Annual Development Review
- Periodic Developmental Review (2014)
- External Examiner's Reports
- First Destination Survey (now Destination of Leavers from Higher Education)
- Graduate Survey
- National Student Survey (2016)

#### 9. Programme Outcomes:

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
<b>(a) Discipline specific knowledge and competencies</b>		
<b>(i) Mastery of an appropriate body of knowledge</b>		
Demonstrate knowledge of various cognate bodies of Law and the principal features of the English, French, and European legal institutions.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules in Leicester and Strasbourg.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics, both in Leicester and Strasbourg.
<b>(ii) Understanding and application of key concepts and techniques</b>		
Demonstrate knowledge of and be able to understand a substantial range of major concepts, principles and rules of the legal institutions.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules in Leicester and Strasbourg.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics, both in Leicester and Strasbourg.
<b>(iii) Critical analysis of key issues</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to analyse, synthesise, critically assess and evaluate doctrinal and policy issues in the substantive and theoretical legal subjects studied.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules in Leicester and Strasbourg.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics, both in Leicester and Strasbourg.
<b>(iv) Clear and concise presentation of material</b>		

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
Demonstrate the ability to present orally, and in writing – in English and French-, knowledge, legal reasoning and the awareness of policy issues.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules in Leicester and Strasbourg.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics, both in Leicester and Strasbourg.
<b>(v) Critical appraisal of evidence with appropriate insight</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to use primary and secondary legal, and other, sources to present reasoned and critical analyses and arguments.	Lectures, tutorials, seminars, directed reading and independent research across the whole range of modules in Leicester and Strasbourg.	Essays, examinations, seminar presentations and contributions to tutorial discussions, all of which involve problem solving and discussion topics, both in Leicester and Strasbourg.
<b>(vi) Other discipline specific competencies</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to conduct independent legal research using library resources and legal databases.	Written work; and preparation for seminars and tutorials, directed reading.	Assessed coursework, seminar presentations and contribution to tutorial discussions.
<b>(b) Transferable skills</b>		
<b>(i) Oral communication</b>		
<p>Display the ability to use spoken English and French to present reasoned arguments in relation to legal matters.</p> <p>Display the ability to exercise equal linguistic and legal competence in both languages.</p>	<p>Tutorial discussion and presentation both in Leicester and Strasbourg. Every student is required to make a tutorial presentation in a compulsory module in each year of the course.</p> <p>Period of study equally divided between England and France.</p>	Oral communication skills are demonstrated and provided with feedback in tutorials in Leicester and Strasbourg. Oral presentations in examination in France.
<b>(ii) Written communication</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to write, in English and French, in a suitable academic style; to be critical and analytical; and to present data clearly in written forms of communication in either legal system.	Provision of writing guides, supervisions, formative coursework, preparation for seminars/tutorials, problem-solving exercises, independent research, individual consultations with staff and feedback on coursework and assessed work.	Assessed coursework, essay-based examinations, dissertation, group projects, and critical commentary.
<b>(iii) Information technology</b>		
<p>Demonstrate the ability to use the internet, specific electronic information retrieval systems, use of new learning technologies.</p> <p>To be able to produce a word-processed essay or other text in accordance with a standard template.</p> <p>Use IT effectively to support their studies including use of IT for bibliographic and archive searches, data analysis and written/visual presentation of work.</p>	Support is provided by the Law School staff and open access computer facilities are available to all students. Computer practical classes, use of discussion boards and wikis on Blackboard, and independent study.	Students are expected to word process their written work. Essays, online discussion forums, technology-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework.

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
<b>(iv) Numeracy</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to use statistical data and to be able to make mathematical calculations.	The use of basic statistics and the ability to make simple mathematical calculations are included in a number of modules and are developed in lectures, tutorials and written work in those modules.	Essays, examinations, tutorials, technology-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework.
<b>(v) Team working</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to work in a group as a participant who contributes effectively to the group task including collaborative planning.	<p>Students are expected to collaborate as part of tutorial preparation. In some modules students are required to engage in a group exercise in a tutorial.</p> <p>Students are given the opportunity to participate in the team competitions of mootings, client interviewing and negotiation.</p>	<p>Students are expected to word process their written work.</p> <p>Essays, online discussion forums, computer-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework.</p>
<b>(vi) Problem solving</b>		
Demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge to situations of varying complexity and to provide solutions to actual or hypothetical problems.	Lectures, tutorials, team problem solving exercises and seminars.	Essays, examinations, tutorials, computer-based exercises, problem-based exercises and other forms of assessed coursework.
<b>(vii) Information handling</b>		
Demonstrate the ability, through directed and independent study, to gather and deploy material.	Lectures, tutorials and seminars, directed reading,	Tutorials, seminars, coursework and examinations.

Intended Learning Outcomes	Teaching and Learning Methods	How Demonstrated?
<b>(viii) Skills for lifelong learning</b>		
<p>Demonstrate the ability to reflect on their learning and to seek to make use of feedback.</p> <p>The development of transferable skills.</p> <p>The ability to plan and undertake tasks in area of law studied.</p> <p>Demonstrate the ability to undertake independent research; to demonstrate the ability to show intellectual independence through the completion of tasks and the analysing of questions; to demonstrate the capacity for time management; and to demonstrate the capacity for independent study, self-organisation, and self-approval.</p> <p>Demonstrate the ability to see a clear path which leads from their degree to their chosen career.</p> <p>The ability to operate successfully in a European environment and to mediate between cultures, thanks to linguistic and cultural skills.</p>	<p>Career advice, both as to the legal profession and postgraduate study.</p> <p>Guidance through seminars, consultations and structured feedback sessions to assist planning for personal and educational development.</p> <p>Career development guidance from the School's Careers Tutors, structured sessions with the Careers Service.</p> <p>Comprehensive immersion in both countries from a European perspective.</p>	<p>The progressive nature of modules from year to year and the corresponding assessment of them of the course as a whole.</p> <p>Successful completion of assessment for each module studied.</p> <p>Graduate surveys.</p> <p>Via the award of the Employability Certificate or through exercises in classes relating to career planning, volunteering, interview techniques, CV writing, preparing applications and marketing.</p>

#### 10. Progression points:

Students are required to complete 120 credits of taught modules delivered over two semesters each academic year (a total of 60 credits must be studied in each semester).

The rules governing progression are defined in [Senate Regulation 5](#): Regulations governing undergraduate programmes of study. Legal foundation modules must be passed at 40%.

In cases where a student has failed to meet a requirement to progress he or she will be required to withdraw from the programme.

#### Progression from 1<sup>st</sup> to Final Year (Leicester)

Students may progress to the final year with no more than 30 credits of failed module(s). These modules may be re-sat for **a second time** alongside their final year modules. However, in normal circumstances this is only permitted if the student has failed no more than 30 credits worth of modules with a marks no lower than 30 and has a credit weighted average for the year of at least 40. The mark of 30 thus becomes a significant mark for students taking their first resit in September.

If a student has failed more than 30 credits, after having two attempts at them, the normal result is that his/her course will be terminated.

After successfully completing all 240 credits in Leicester students will transfer to Strasbourg for the third and fourth years of the course. Leicester Final year students who have failed modules following the midsummer assessment period will be allowed to transfer to Strasbourg, but will be required to resit the failed modules in the September. If, following the resit attempt, the student has more than 30 credits of failed modules he/she will be required to withdraw from Strasbourg and their studies will be terminated.

After successfully completing the two years in Leicester and the two years in Strasbourg, students will graduate with both the LLB and the French equivalent, the Maîtrise. Students must successfully complete all four years to be awarded the degrees.

In cases where a student has failed to meet a requirement to progress he or she will be required to withdraw from the course

### **Transfers from the degree of LLB/Maitrise in English and French Law**

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Students who have failed first- or final-year examinations in Strasbourg for the LLB/Maîtrise in English and French Law may, in exceptional circumstances, on giving notice in writing to the School, transfer to the final year of the LLB in Law at the University of Leicester.

Students permitted under the paragraphs above to transfer from the LLB/Maîtrise in English and French Law to the LLB in Law will be subject to the scheme of assessment for that degree.

#### **11. Scheme of Assessment**

This programme follows the standard scheme of award and classification set out in [Senate Regulation 5](#).

#### **12. Special features:**

Bilingual students are recruited in France and in England. The University of Leicester and Strasbourg have been collaborating for a number of years and have well-established links. The University of Strasbourg is well-recognised for its European law strength. At the end of the fourth year, students will have the opportunity to undertake work placements in one of the European institutions located in Strasbourg.

#### **13. Indications of programme quality**

- Performance in the National Student Survey
- External examiners' reports
- Degree results and career destination statistics
- Annual Development Review reports
- Periodic Development Review reports
- Peer review of teaching and peer review of marking exercises
- Student-Staff Committee feedback
- Module Feedback

#### **14. External Examiners**

The details of the External Examiner(s) for this programme and the most recent External Examiners' reports can be found [here](#).

## LLB/MAITRISE IN ENGLISH LAW AND FRENCH LAW

### Appendix 1: Programme structure (programme regulations)

#### FIRST YEAR MODULES

		Credits
<b>SEMESTER 1</b>		
LW1171	Analysing the English Legal System	15
<b>YEAR LONG</b>		
LW1120	Constitutional and Administrative Law	30
LW1130	Contract Law	30
LW1150	The Law of Tort	30
<b>SEMESTER 2</b>		
LW1172	Law, Justice and Society	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>120</b>

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#### SECOND YEAR MODULES

		Credits
LW2240	EU Law	30
LW2220	Criminal Law	30
LW2390	Land Law	30
LW3370	Equity and Trusts	30
LW3440	Maitrise Conversion	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>120</b>

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#### THIRD YEAR MODULES

		Credits (ECTS)
<b>SEMESTER 1</b>		
U.E.1.1	Droit des obligations <i>Plus one class out of a choice of:</i> Droit administratif I Droit des sociétés I Droit des biens	12
U.E.1.2	<i>Two classes out of a choice of:</i> Droit administrative I (compulsory if not chosen in U.E.1.1) Droit des sociétés I Droit des biens Droit de la responsabilité administratif Politique économique Droit constitutionnel I	10
U.E.1.3	<i>Two classes out of a choice of:</i> Droit international public général Procédure pénale Libertés publiques Relations collectives du travail Droit des biens	8
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>30 ECTS</b>

## SEMESTER 2

U.E.2.1	Droit des obligations <i>Plus one class out of a choice of:</i> Droit administratif II Droit des sociétés II Droit des sûretés	12
U.E.2.2	<i>Two classes out of a choice of:</i> Droit administratif II* Droit des sociétés II* Droit des sûretés* Droit administratif des biens et de la fonction publique Droit fiscal <i>*if not chosen in U.E.2.1</i>	10
U.E.2.3	<i>Two classes out of a choice of:</i> Droit pénal Procédure civile Droit international public II Philosophie du droit Comptabilité Contrats spéciaux Relations individuelles du travail	8
<b>Semester total</b>		<b>30 ECTS</b>

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The fourth year is divided into a core syllabus and a choice of one of three pathways:

- Droit européen dominante privée
- Droit européen dominante publique
- Droit européen des affaires
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### FOURTH YEAR MODULES

	SEMESTER 1	Credits (ECTS)
U.E.1.1	<i>Two classes out of a choice of:</i> Droit économique de l'Union Européenne I Droit commercial approfondi I ( <i>required for the pathway droit européen des affaires</i> ) Droit public des affaires I Droit international privé I Droit fiscal de l'entreprise I Droit de la protection sociale Droit civil I (régimes matrimoniaux)	12
U.E.1.2	<i>One class out of a choice of:</i> Droit économique de l'Union Européenne ( <i>required for those that did not choose this under U.E 1.1 above</i> ) Droit civil I (régimes matrimoniaux) Droit commercial approfondi I Droit de la protection sociale Droit public des affaires I Théorie générale de l'Etat Droit international privé I Contentieux de l'Union Européenne Droit comparé	6

Propriété intellectuelle

U.E.1.3 EITHER: Droit européen dominante privée 12

*Three core classes:*

Droit civil (régimes matrimoniaux)  
Droits et libertés fondamentaux approfondis  
Droit international privé des affaires

*Plus one class out of a choice of:*

Droit de la distribution  
Droit fiscal de l'entreprise I  
Propriété intellectuelle  
Droit comparé  
Economie de la concurrence  
Contentieux de l'Union Européenne  
Procédures fiscales  
Droit pénal spécial

OR: Droit européen des affaires 12

*Three core classes:*

Droit international privé des affaires  
Droit approfondi des sociétés et droit boursier  
Gestion des entreprises

*Plus one class out of a choice of:*

Droit de la protection sociale  
Economie de la concurrence  
Droits et libertés fondamentaux approfondis  
Droit pénal spécial  
Propriété intellectuelle  
Droit international privé I  
Contentieux de l'Union Européenne  
Procédures fiscales

OR: Droit européen dominante publique 12

*Three core classes:*

Contentieux de l'Union Européenne  
Droit et libertés fondamentaux approfondis  
Droit comparé

*Plus one class out of a choice of:*

Droit public des affaires I  
Droit de la distribution  
Droit fiscal de l'entreprise I  
Droit du contentieux constitutionnel  
Propriété intellectuelle  
Economie de la concurrence  
Droit de la protection sociale

**Semester total 30 ECTS**

**SEMESTER 2**

U.E.2.1 *Two classes out of a choice of:* 12  
Droit économique de l'Union Européenne II

	<p>Droit commercial approfondi II (<i>required for pathway droit européen des affaires</i>)</p> <p>Droit public des affaires II</p> <p>Droit international privé II</p> <p>Droit fiscal de l'entreprise II</p> <p>Droit du travail approfondi</p> <p>Droit civil II (successions, libéralités)</p>	
U.E.2.2	<p>Two classes out of a choice of:</p> <p>Droit économique de l'Union Européenne II (<i>required for those that did not choose this under U.E 1.1 above</i>)</p> <p>Droit du travail approfondi</p> <p>Droit commercial approfondi II</p> <p>Histoire des idées politiques II</p> <p>Droit public des affaires II</p> <p>Contentieux administratif</p> <p>Droit civil II (successions, libéralités)</p> <p>Techniques contractuelles</p> <p>Droit de l'environnement et de l'aménagement du territoire</p> <p>Droits de l'homme</p> <p>Droit international économique</p> <p>Droit international privé II</p>	6
U.E.2.3	<p><u>EITHER:</u> Droit européen dominante privée</p> <p><i>Three classes out of a choice of:</i></p> <p>Droit fiscal de l'entreprise II</p> <p>Droit des marchés publics</p> <p>Droit de l'environnement et de l'aménagement du territoire</p> <p>Procédures civiles d'exécution</p> <p>Techniques contractuelles</p> <p>Droit du travail approfondi</p> <p>Droit interne de la concurrence</p> <p>Droit de la concurrence de l'Union Européenne</p> <p>Droits de l'homme</p> <p>Droit pénal des affaires</p> <p>Droit pénal international</p> <p>L'Europe dans la pensée politique</p> <p>Droit international économique</p> <p>Approche du développement durable</p>	12
	<p><u>OR:</u> Droit européen des affaires</p> <p><i>Three classes out of a choice of:</i></p> <p>Droit fiscal de l'entreprise II</p> <p>Fiscalité personnelle et internationale</p> <p>Droit international économique</p> <p>Droit des marchés publics</p> <p>Droit de l'environnement et de l'aménagement du territoire</p> <p>Techniques contractuelles</p> <p>Droit du travail approfondi</p> <p>Droits de l'homme</p> <p>Droit pénal des affaires</p>	12

Droit interne de la concurrence  
Droit de la concurrence de l'Union Européenne  
Gestion financière  
L'Europe dans la pensée politique  
Approche du développement durable

OR: Droit européen dominante publique

12

*Three classes out of a choice of:*

Droit fiscal de l'entreprise II  
Droits de l'homme  
Droit pénal international  
Droit interne de la concurrence  
Droit des marchés publics  
Droit de l'environnement et de l'aménagement du territoire  
Droit international économique  
L'Europe dans la pensée politique  
Approche du développement durable

**Semester total**

**30 ECTS**

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### **Appendix 2: Module specifications (Leicester modules)**

See module specification database <http://www2.le.ac.uk/offices/sas2/courses/documentation>

**Appendix 3: Skills matrix (Leicester modules)**

