



# University Foundation Studies in Law

In all Brunel University London Law degrees, students develop a range of skills valued by employers such as critical thinking, analysis and communication. Each programme has a strong contemporary feel and relates law theory and concepts to the practical issues of 21<sup>st</sup> Century legal practices. Successful completion of the degree can lead to career opportunities in law, mediation, public administration, management, industry and commerce.

In Stage 1 of the programme you will take the following core modules, four in the first semester and four in the second.

## In Semester one you will study:

- Legal Research Using ICT
- Principles of ICT
- Legal Foundations
- Legal Ethics and Skills

## In Semester two you will study:

- Critical Analysis and Writing Skills
- Management
- Introduction to Law of Civil Obligations
- Criminal Liability and Process

## Module overview

### Interactive Learning Skills and Communication

This module will help you learn how to study effectively at University. Students will be introduced to techniques and strategies to help support and enhance your learning at undergraduate level.

### Legal Research Using ICT

The module will provide the student with the knowledge and ability to utilise ICT including academic databases and journals essential to supporting academic study on subject specific modules. The Legal Research using ICT Skills module will enable students to develop a basic understanding of the fundamental principles and techniques employed in legal research.

### Legal Foundations

This module provides an introduction to the legal infrastructure operating within the United Kingdom. It will discuss the basics of what the law seeks to achieve within a democracy, identification of the main classifications and sources of law, and detailed examination of the dual system of law which operates within England and Wales.

### Legal Ethics and Skills

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### Critical Analysis and Writing Skills

This module will provide students with the skills and knowledge to develop effective academic writing skills. It will also equip them with the tools to critically analyse academic arguments.

### Management

This module will introduce you to the concepts of management and the management process. You will learn about the basic fundamentals of organisational management and how motivational concepts are applied in the workplace.

### Introduction to Law of Civil Obligations

This module seeks to provide an introduction to the basic elements of the civil law of obligations and some of its legal process within England and Wales. It identifies and discusses two main classifications within the law of obligations-the law of Contract and the law of Tort.

### Criminal Liability and Process

This module will consider the principles and policies behind the decision to criminalise certain types of behaviour, and analyse the different approaches which may be taken.