

# International Year One in Law at the University of Essex International College: module information For degree entry from September 2020

ALL STUDENTS WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING MODULES TO GAIN A SOLID BASE OF SKILLS:

- Constitutional Law
- Contract Law
- Criminal Law
- English for Academic Purposes
- Foundations of the Law of Obligations
- Foundations of Property Law
- Legal Skills and the English Legal System

YOU'LL TAKE PART IN PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES DURING YOUR COURSE, DESIGNED TO BOOST YOUR EMPLOYABILITY, CONFIDENCE AND INDEPENDENCE, AND HELP YOU MAKE NEW FRIENDS.

# EXTRA MODULES TO HELP YOU REACH UNIVERSITY: 2.5 AND 3-TERM COURSES

IF YOU'RE TAKING A 2.5 OR 3-TERM COURSE, YOU'LL STUDY THE RELEVANT MODULES ABOVE, AND 1 SET OF MODULES IN THE TABLE BELOW, DEPENDING ON YOUR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEVEL AND DEGREE:

IF YOU HAVE AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEVEL THAT'S BELOW UKVI IELTS 5.5:	IF YOU HAVE AT LEAST UKVI IELTS 5.5 OR EQUIVALENT, OR DON'T NEED TO TAKE AN IELTS TEST:
English for Academic Study 3	Critical Reading, Writing and Reasoning for Higher
Independent and Collaborative Study	Education
Reading and Writing 3	Independent and Collaborative Study
Speaking and Listening 3	
	Plus 2 of these 4 modules:
	Digital Applications
	Preparatory Mathematics
	Preparatory Statistics
	UK Society and Culture

# YOU'LL ALSO HAVE ADDITIONAL PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. EXTRA MODULES TO HELP YOU REACH UNIVERSITY: 3.5 AND 4-TERM COURSES

IF YOU'RE TAKING A 3.5 OR 4-TERM COURSE, YOU'LL STUDY ALL THE RELEVANT MODULES ABOVE, PLUS:

- English for Academic Study 2
- Reading and Writing 2
- Speaking and Listening 2
- Study Skills Preparation

# MODULE SUMMARIES - DETAILS OF WHAT YOU'LL STUDY

# **Constitutional Law**

Gain an understanding of the UK constitution and the foundations of judicial review, as well as an overview of the key powers and functions of the three branches of government.

# **Contract Law**

Build an understanding of the knowledge and skills required to identify and draft a legally enforceable contract, and learn to identify key issues in real life scenarios using the law to solve problems.

# **Criminal Law**

Learn about the concepts and principles of criminal law, and develop your understanding of the legal elements of criminal liability and the major criminal offences and defences in England and Wales.

## **English for Academic Purposes**

Develop your English to the level you need for university study, and to really get involved in academic discussions.

# Foundations of Property Law

Explore the fundamental principles of the law of property, and the framework within which property lawyers operate in England and Wales.

# Foundations of the Law of Obligations

Develop a knowledge of this field of civil law, and apply this knowledge to analyse simulated and real-life cases.

## Legal Skills and the English Legal System

Gain an overview of the English legal system, including different forms of dispute resolution, and develop research and communication skills to facilitate your studies.

# EXTRA MODULES FOR 2.5 AND 3-TERM COURSES

# Critical Reading, Writing and Reasoning for Higher Education

Enhance your ability to read and understand complex ideas in English, and to compose convincing written arguments.

#### **Digital Applications**

Develop your digital skillset, helping you use digital tools to support academic study, including using and citing digital sources.

# **English for Academic Study 3**

Expand your knowledge of English grammar and vocabulary to the level required for degree study.

## Independent and Collaborative Study

Work individually and in teams on an academic task, and practise applying your subject knowledge and study skills.

#### **Preparatory Mathematics**

Develop your numeracy skills, including algebra, geometry and graphs.

#### **Preparatory Statistics**

Build on your knowledge of using statistics, including the use of data to illustrate facts and support theories.

## **Reading and Writing 3**

Develop your English reading and writing skills to a sufficient level to communicate complex ideas.

#### **Speaking and Listening 3**

Improve your ability to listen and speak in English, allowing you to fully engage with academic topics.

#### **UK Society and Culture**

Learn more about the culture and society of the UK, and how it differs from others.

# EXTRA MODULES FOR 3.5 AND 4-TERM COURSES

## **English for Academic Study 2**

Improve your English grammar and vocabulary in order to communicate in an academic environment.

## **Reading and Writing 2**

Develop your English reading and writing so that you can understand and articulate ideas and reasoning.

## **Speaking and Listening 2**

Practise listening and speaking so that you are better prepared for academic debate and discussion.

#### **Study Skills Preparation**

Gain an introduction to the wide range of skills and strategies you'll need to succeed at university, such as research methods and using and citing sources.

# PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES (ALL COURSE LENGTHS)

# Digital and employability skills

Outside of your academic learning, you'll also be taught skills that will be useful at university and later in life. You will receive help in making the most of your creativity, improving your communication and developing your digital skills. We will also help you build a CV, portfolio and online profile to empower you after you graduate.

## Social network

Forming a strong social network can be hugely beneficial, even if it's just to discuss and debate ideas. Not only will you get to know your classmates, you'll also have opportunities to join professional organisations, and network with students and industry professionals: something that can be really beneficial when you go on to start your career.

# **Culture and activities**

We'll help you have a hugely beneficial cultural and social experience, and encourage you to explore different activities, sports, crafts and more. You might learn about local history and culture, or develop your wider subject knowledge and understanding of related industries.

Note: this information refers to courses that will run in the 2019-20 academic year, and is correct at the time of publication. Published January 2019.