

# ANY GREY AREAS? SOUTHAMPTON LAW SCHOOL FAQs

## What are the general academic entry requirements?

A Levels: AAA-AAB  
A Levels with Extended Project Qualification (EPQ): AAB (in non-excluded subjects) And EPQ grade A  
International Baccalaureate: 36 points overall including 18 at Higher Level  
Other qualifications, including international qualifications, are considered on an individual basis.

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## Should I continue with four subjects at A Level or drop one?

A fourth A Level (even in General Studies) is a big plus, especially if you do not quite meet the terms of the AAA offer. If by taking four subjects it means that you will drop down significantly (i.e. by getting BBBB), then it would probably be better to concentrate on only three subjects. We are looking for ability at a high level and it is the actual grades that indicate this.

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## What are the tuition fees for 2017 entry?

The University will set fees for 2017/18 when the government establishes limits for tuition fees. Currently the tuition fee is £9,000, but we offer a large number of generous fee waivers and bursaries for eligible students. For students from lower income families, these financial packages will be based on household income supplied to us by the Student Loans Company.

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## What are the excluded A Level subjects from the general academic entry requirements?

- Dance
- General Studies
- Photography
- Moving Images
- Physical Education
- Practical Art
- Practical Music
- Sports Studies
- Textiles

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## Do you accept deferred entry applications?

Yes, we can accept deferred applications for 2018/19 entry. However, we are only able to offer deferrals for one year ahead.

## Do you accept retakes?

We are willing to consider applicants retaking A Level modules if we think there is a good reason for under performance at first attempt, and that the student stands a good chance of achieving our standard entry requirements of AAA at A Level.

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## What do the tuition fees cover?

Your tuition fee may cover compulsory course costs, such as field trips and laboratory clothing; however, a contribution may be necessary towards certain elements. Please check with the Admissions team for more details. Visit our website for the latest information on tuition fees before you submit your UCAS form for entry in the 2017/18 academic year. Students who have applied for a deferred place in 2016/17 will be eligible for the 2017/18 tuition fees and support.

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## Is A Level Law necessary?

We regard A Level Law as an acceptable A Level subject for the purpose of meeting our A Level offer. We are neutral on the question of whether it is an advantage or disadvantage to have studied A Level Law. It is of our opinion that while it may not place students at much of an advantage, it does give students a chance to see if law is a subject that they would like to study at university.

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## Does Southampton Law School offer a Qualifying Law Degree?

Our Law degree is a Qualifying Law Degree. It satisfies the professional requirements of the Bar Council and Law Society of England and Wales. It is SRA (Solicitor Regulation Authority) approved.

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We attract the best students from all backgrounds and review and adjust the range of student support, including bursaries, in consultation with our students to minimise concerns about the cost of coming to university. We also continue to deliver a significant programme of on- and off-campus outreach and student recruitment activities to encourage the broadest possible range of students to consider applying here.

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## If I achieve AAB and have not taken an EPQ will I be accepted onto the programme?

It is possible for applicants achieving AAB to be accepted, subject to us having vacant places on the programme and the remainder of the UCAS application being satisfactory.

Let us know of any extenuating circumstances which may affect your grades before you get your results so that this can be taken into consideration when making our decisions.

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## Do you accept 'returners to learning'?

We welcome applications from those who have taken a break from education. You are not required to have the same qualifications as school/college leavers, but must have had recent experience of returning to learning to obtain a formal qualification (e.g. an Access Course) after a gap of at least five years since finishing full-time education.

We may require you to attend the Law School for an interview and/or test.

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## How many applications do you receive?

During most admissions cycles, we receive approximately 2000 applications per year. The annual intake is 196 for Home/EU students and 72 for International students.

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### Does the University of Southampton offer any scholarships?

As a Russell Group institution, the University aims for excellence in all our endeavours. We are committed to attracting and rewarding the highest achieving and most ambitious students that enrol on our programmes. Details of the scholarships available can be found at: [www.southampton.ac.uk/lawscholarships](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/lawscholarships)

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### What support do you provide to help my employability?

- In School Employability Co-ordinator
- Pro Bono initiatives: StreetLaw, Law Clinics, Barlink
- Frequent visits from employers including law firms
- Careers Fairs attended by top city law firms, Magic Circle law firms and other graduate employers
- Employability Skills Fortnight
- University Career Destinations

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### How much are the Hall Fees?

Halls Fees for 2017/18 are currently being confirmed. As a guide, in 2016/17 self-catered accommodation ranged from £101.99 to £187.18 per week. Part-catered accommodation in 2016/17 ranged from £132.09 to £178.15 per week. Applications for accommodation for 2017/18 will open in January 2017.

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### What careers can I pursue?

Our Law School graduates go on to follow a wide range of career paths after gaining their degree. Many graduates enter traditional legal professions, whilst others go on to forge successful careers in fields such as journalism, human resources, media, education and many others.

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### If I have any difficulties during my programme is there any support available?

- Yes, there is support available from:
- Personal Tutors
  - Senior Tutor
  - Peer Mentors
  - Enabling Services
  - Counselling Service
  - Student Services

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### What do Hall Fees include

- All your bills (gas, electric, water)
- High speed internet connection
- Uni-Link bus pass
- 24 hour security and Resident Support Service
- Variety of on-site facilities
- Contents Insurance
- Lockable bike storage

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### Why should I apply to Southampton Law School?

Commendation in our teaching standards awarded by the Quality Assurance Agency in 2015; 98% of research of internal quality or above (REF, 2014); excellent opportunities with employability; new Mooting room installed in 2015, with opportunities to enter national Mooting competitions.

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### What support does the University offer after graduation?

The Alumni Office offers a wide range of benefits to our graduates for life and is in contact with University of Southampton Alumni branches worldwide.

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### Do I need to do the LNAT test?

No. For the time being we have decided not to require LNAT. If you are applying to one of the dozen or so Law Schools who use the test, you will have to. If you also apply to Southampton, we will not receive your test results and our decisions will not be influenced by your result.

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### How much contact time is there?

Students participate in 8-10 hours of lectures and 4 contact hours for tutorials and seminars each week. However, the School recommends students should spend in the region of 40 hours per week studying, inclusive of lectures and seminars.

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### What facilities do the University Halls offer?

- There are over 20 University Halls of Residence offering a range of rooms to suit your needs including:
- Self-contained flats, smaller flats and larger flats
  - Self-catered or part-catered options
  - Contracts available of various lengths to suit your needs: short, standard and long.

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### Where can I find out more?

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