

A legal advantage. Postgraduate programmes 2017



Welcome to Southampton Law School

Southampton Law School is a vibrant community of scholars and students with a reputation for excellence in teaching and research. Now, with more than 40 full-time members of academic staff, the School provides a number of innovative and intellectually challenging opportunities for study at postgraduate level. We offer several masters level courses, which most students complete in a single academic year, though it is usually possible to study part-time over two years. The programmes offered are varied and complex, and you can often combine modules from different programmes. It is also possible to read for a postgraduate research degree, such as a PhD. Our staff have a vast range of research interests which place them at the forefront of legal scholarship.

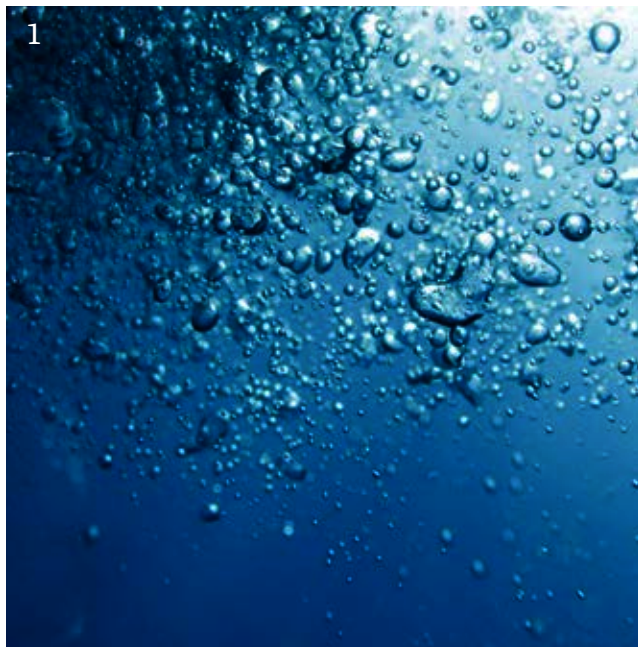
If you opt for a taught course, you will select from a choice of modules and complete your studies with a dissertation that you will write following independent research with close supervision from a member of staff. Our specialist academic supervisors will work with research degree students to develop your thesis which will be your unique contribution to legal knowledge and understanding.

There are opportunities throughout the year for career development and professional skills training, which will be of great value after you have graduated. Outside your studies, the Law School and the University offer a diverse range of activities, such as clubs and associations including Law specific clubs such as the Law Society, the Mooting Society, Lawyers without Borders, and the Inns of Court Society. We also have a state-of-the-art sports centre. Our campus is green and welcoming, boasting a wealth of facilities, both academic and social. Southampton Law School is a stimulating community of staff and students and we look forward to welcoming you here.



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A large blue and white offshore supply vessel is shown at sea. A high-pressure water spray is directed at the hull of the ship, creating a misty effect. The ship has various structures, including a mast with antennas and a radar dome. The water is a deep blue color.

Risk and reward
on the high seas.
Immeasurable
experience in
maritime law



The Institute of Maritime Law is a world leading centre for research, consultancy and training in maritime law.

Over the years, almost 3,500 LLM graduates have learned the principles of this important area of law at the University of Southampton; hundreds of PhD students have researched aspects of maritime law with us and many of our former students are now in senior positions in all areas of shipping. Experienced lawyers also hone their skills and expertise in shipping law through The Institute of Maritime Law (IML) publications and by attending the IML's specialist short courses in locations including Singapore and Southampton.

Founded by a group of maritime law academics in 1982, the IML is a world-leading centre devoted to specialist shipping law research, law reform and professional training, and passing on this knowledge to future generations of maritime lawyers.


The IML is working with the Southampton Marine and Maritime Institute to develop interdisciplinary maritime research at the forefront of societal and technological needs. Funding for interdisciplinary PhDs has been obtained through a Leverhulme Trust grant of £1.15 M co-led by the IML.

“Shipping law is an exciting international career with a variety of opportunities within a dynamic and quickly changing industry.” says Mikis Tsimplis the current director of the IML. “The sustainable development of shipping requires interdisciplinary efforts coupling legal, engineering, insurance, environmental and societal concerns.”

www.southampton.ac.uk/iml



Remote-controlled
shipping and Sea
Traffic Management.
The shipping
of the future



Researchers at Southampton Law School are contributing to the development of the shipping of the future within the context of two projects. The first concerns the use of unmanned maritime vehicles - primarily used for surveying, safe minesweeping and research –with a particular focus on their regulation.

Controlled remotely by an operative guided by a screen, or a pre-programmed autopilot, these unmanned vehicles can be highly problematic. Collisions, licensing and qualification requirements, and human error in programming are just some of the issues that the industry faces.

Researchers at the University of Southampton's Institute of Maritime Law, in collaboration with Lloyd's Register, the National Oceanography Centre (NOC) and other independent consultants, conducted pioneering research into the regulation of these vehicles. The team of researchers completed a contract worth €150,000 with the European Defence Agency in 2016 to investigate the liability position in respect of the operation of unmanned maritime vehicles, which will lead the way towards regulation.

The second key project aims to make shipping safer, more efficient and less polluting through the sharing of information. The project, known as the Sea Traffic Management Validation Project, has a total budget of €43 million and is 50% co-financed by the EU. The flow of information between ships and ports gives rise to important legal issues including safety and security considerations and commercial advantages. The project will run between 2015-2018. A group of researchers from the Institute of Maritime Law is leading the work on the legal feasibility of the STM concept.

For more information about this, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/iml



Salus populi suprema lex.*

Legal perspectives on health, care and ethics

The Public Health Ethics and Law (PHEL) group brings local, national and international leadership to public health ethics, law and regulation. The group is directed by Dr A.M. Viens.

Their research in the field applies insights and understanding from law, philosophy and politics to questions in population health at national and global levels, and they are involved in multi-disciplinary projects across the world. In addition to this scholarly work, PHEL also seeks to engage with policy-makers and practitioners working in different public health organisations or sectors. These activities seek to demonstrate the importance of applying the critical evaluation of questions concerning possible, actual, and proposed public health measures. One such recent engagement has been with the World Health Organization (WHO). Dr A.M. Viens was commissioned to contribute a chapter on ethical frameworks and criteria for triage and rationing in public health emergencies for the WHO training manual, *Ethics in Epidemics, Emergencies and Disasters: Research, Surveillance and Patient Care*. It has already been used on the ground in West Africa as part of the response to the Ebola outbreak.

For more information about PHEL, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/phel

**The most important law is that concerning the health of the people*

Research and learning

The Law School offers a dynamic programme of study for postgraduate research students. With expertise across a range of legal disciplines, we provide world-class supervision.

the Opportunity



The postgraduate research programme presents a supportive research environment, with training and development being a central focus throughout the course of study.

High-level research flourishes at Southampton Law School. At present, around 50 students are working towards a PhD in many aspects of law from maritime, insurance and commercial to health care ethics, law and philosophy, and intellectual property.

Legal research students work in a friendly and supportive community at the Law School and share a strong sense of identity; they frequently meet to discuss their work and talk about their progress. A diverse student body offers everyone a valuable opportunity to meet and get to know people from all over the world.

Although online resources are becoming increasingly important, access to good quality libraries is still essential for law students. Our facilities are second to none. The University's Hartley Library has comprehensive resources for law research with expert librarians on hand to advise on its specialist collections. The Law School has a library collection specifically for the use of staff and research students and the Institute of Maritime Law has its own unique resource, the Philippa Kaye Library, with more than 40 leading journals and practitioner works, which is available to researchers. Primary sources are easily accessible through electronic resources. Students can also use the specialist National Oceanography Library with its maritime resources at the National Oceanography Centre Southampton.

Further information

To find out more about our research centres and facilities, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/lawresearch

Our academics

As a postgraduate student at Southampton, you will be learning from and working with academics at the forefront of their disciplines. Here are just a few of our academics.

1. Professor Hazel Biggs

Professor of Health Care Law and Bioethics

Professor Hazel Biggs is author of books including *Euthanasia, Death with Dignity and the Law*, and *Healthcare Research Ethics and Law*. She has published numerous articles on various aspects of Health Care Law, including in relation to criminal and feminist aspects of selected issues in Health Care Law. In addition Hazel is also Editor in Chief of *Medical Law Review*, the foremost journal in its field.

Health Care Law is a dynamic area that draws upon a range of legal disciplines. Consequently, Hazel is able to incorporate her research expertise into her teaching using contemporary examples to enable students to formulate their own ideas and learn how to apply them across different contexts. Alongside her teaching and research Hazel is also Head of the Law School.

2. Professor Brenda Hannigan

Professor of Corporate Law

Professor Brenda Hannigan specialises in Company Law and Corporate Governance. She is a graduate of Trinity College Dublin and Harvard Law School. She is the author of one of the leading textbooks in company law which is used by students across the country (Hannigan, *Company Law*, published by OUP, 4th edn, 2015).

Most recently, her research has focused on the rise of stewardship which addresses the question of responsible ownership of large traded companies, an issue of increasing public concern. She has also been working on the role of disclosure in forcing companies to act as good corporate citizens. She has a particular interest in board structures and the responsibilities of non-executive directors.

At the other end of the spectrum from traded companies, her research focuses on the resolution of shareholder disputes in small, private companies and the use of contractual power to manage relationships within those companies.

3. Professor David Gurnham

Professor of Criminal Law and Interdisciplinary Legal Studies

Before joining the University of Southampton Law School, Professor Gurnham lectured at the University of Reading, and taught Health Care Law and Ethics at the University of Manchester.

His research and teaching interests lie in interdisciplinary and critical approaches to Criminal Law, which embrace a 'law and' approach to both teaching and research.

David focuses on issues relating to criminal law's intersections with health, sexuality and language, and uses literature, film and popular culture as sources alongside more 'traditional' legal texts such as statutes and case judgments.

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Further information

To find out more about our academics visit
www.southampton.ac.uk/lawacademics

Learning environment

We have a spirit of research that is firmly embedded in our culture, which helps to set us apart from other universities. It is this environment that makes studying here a unique and exciting experience.



In 2016 over £600,000 was invested in the Law School, including a brand new student area, creating a light and airy space for our students to focus, revise and refresh

Libraries

The Hartley Library is one of the UK's leading research libraries. Our facilities are among the best in the country and include wi-fi throughout the building, group study rooms, a cafe and the Southampton Academic Skills Hub. For law students, the library has extensive holdings in the main areas of legal study, both in print and online. Online legal services include Westlaw, LexisLibrary, Justis and i-law.com. There are

particularly strong collections in the areas of commercial and maritime law. The Ford Collection of British Official Publications and a wide collection of European Union publications provide valuable additional research resources.

Students are privileged to be able to access the Philippa Kaye Library in Maritime Law located within the Law School's Institute of Maritime Law.

Southampton Law School

At Southampton Law School we are proud of our worldwide reputation for research excellence in many fields. Research is of key importance within the School, and is embedded in everything that we do, including our teaching.

The 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF) commended Southampton Law School, saying that 98 per cent of its research was of international quality or above.

The Law School's international reputation has been enhanced through the work of several research groupings each devoted to a particular specialism in law:

- The Institute of Maritime Law
- The Institute for Law and the Web at Southampton
- The Centre for Health, Ethics and Law
- The Insurance Law Research Group
- The Centre for Law, Policy and Society

Research across a broader range of legal disciplines is undertaken outside these centres. This includes, but is not restricted to, corporate and commercial law, insurance, European law, jurisprudence, property, equity and land law, public law, human rights law, family law, employment law, finance law and socio-legal studies.

Further information

To find out more about our research centres and facilities, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/lawresearch

Research centres and facilities

With a reputation for linking fundamental research with real-world applications, Southampton is home to cutting-edge research centres that consistently break new ground.

Our research centres have strong links with business, industry and government. For example, the National Oceanography Centre Southampton provides large-scale infrastructure and support for the entire UK marine research community while collaborating with the oil, gas and communications industries. We also strive to bring together national and international experts to address critical issues facing society and this is the case in our Institute for Life Sciences where biosciences help tackle issues such as climate change and human health.

All our research centres at Southampton focus on global challenges that really impact on society. Our Optoelectronics Research Centre focuses on photonics research and the centre has played a major role in developing the optical telecommunications technology that underpins the internet.

Other facilities include the Southampton Wind Tunnels for aerodynamics testing, yacht and sail design and the University's supercomputer, one of the most powerful university-owned supercomputers in the UK, which postgraduate students have access to for use in research projects.

Researchers cannot be constrained by the boundaries that separate traditional subject areas. Therefore our innovative approach to research enables our postgraduate students to work effectively across disciplines, creating excellent opportunities for professional development. Southampton also has four Doctoral Training Centres (DTCs) that help our students develop the skills they need to address some of society's biggest problems including those related to climate change, energy, our ageing population and hi-tech crime.



A world of opportunity

An LLM doesn't mean you have to work in the legal field. The skills and experience you have developed, coupled with your rigorous study will prepare you for a career in any sector that excites you. Depending on the specialist field of law in which you have studied during your LLM, you will be able to consider career opportunities relevant to your particular area of interest.

Examples include:

- Insurance
- IT
- Technology
- Media
- Finance
- Banking
- Ship financing
- The UN
- The World Health Organization
- Legal research and insight
- International trade
- Arbitration

Southampton Law School alumni around the world

Many students decide to return to their home countries and this is reflected in the global nature of the careers and employers.

These are some examples of where recent graduates are working: Lawyers, Lawyer Advocates, Legal Counsels, Associates, Trainee Lawyers, Legal Executives, Paralegals, Claims Executives, Assistant Claims Managers, Junior Claims Handler and Property Managers at the following firms:

Americas

- **Columbia:** Rincon-Cuellar & Asociados
- **Cayman Islands:** Maples and Calder

Europe

- **Cyprus:** Christoforou S Christos, Chrysse Demetriades & Co LLC, Harris Kyriakides LLC
- **Greece:** Amoiridis Law Services, Polina Rakka & Kontantinos, Varnavas & Co, Scorinis Law Offices
- **The Netherlands:** Smallegange, van Dam & van der Stelt Attorneys at Law, AKD Prinsen van Wijmen
- **Norway:** Statoil ASA, Kuehne & Nagel, Kvale & Co Law Firm, Wiersholm, Mellbye & Bech, Vogt & Wiig Advokatfirma, Gram, Hambro & Garman, Westfal-Larsen Shipping
- **Spain:** Uria Menendes
- **Turkey:** Ersoy Bilgehan Lawyers and Consultants, Cavus & Coskunsu
- **UK:** Braemar ACM, Allen & Overy, American Steamship Owners Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association, Clifford Chance, Freshfield, Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Hill Dickinson, Holman Fenwick Willan, Hogan Lovells, Ince & Co, Linklaters, Norton Rose Fulbright, Reed Smith, Rustem Guardian LLP, Tindall Riley, Waltons & Morse LLP, White & Case.

India and the Far East

- **India:** PSP Law, ABS Marine Services Pvt Ltd
- **Indonesia:** ABNR Counsellors at Law
- **China:** Clyde & Co, Far Eastern International Leasing Co. Ltd., Zongshen Industrial Group
- **South Korea:** King and Wood Mallesons, Suh & Co

Middle East

- **Brunei:** The Attorney General's Chambers
- **Oman:** Ministry of Legal Affairs
- **Qatar:** Ministry of Justice
- **UAE:** Fichte & Co, Gulf Agency Company

Southampton Law School's employability skills co-ordinator offers advice and support to LLM students. For more information on the opportunities available to you, please email Jan Steele: j.steele@southampton.ac.uk

Planning your career



At Southampton Law School, we aim to set you on the road to your future career success. We have strong links with many of the world's top law firms and our graduates are highly sought after by employers. Many of our alumni have gone on to gain prominent positions in the legal professions, academia, the media, business and politics in the UK and around the world.

At Southampton Law School we recognise that securing or advancing your career upon graduation is very important to you. To help you achieve your goals, we encourage you to take advantage of all the resources available to you throughout the School and the University.

Every student will have individual reasons for undertaking the LLM qualification. These may include enhancing or broadening career opportunities or adding value and depth to their CV. As well as intellectual skills and professional expertise in a specialist area of law (e.g. Maritime, IT Law etc.) the LLM also enables you to develop a wide range of generic key transferable skills, which are useful in whatever career path you choose to pursue. These include legal research and writing, analysis, critical evaluation and logical thinking as well as written and verbal communication. Your teamwork and leadership skills will also be enhanced through participation in the LLM Challenge.

LLM students at Southampton Law School have access to an impressive range of careers and employability resources. They are invited to attend all of the events organised not only by the Law School but also by the highly proactive student law societies. Events include presentations, workshops, drop-in clinics and mock interviews and cover not only legal skills such as drafting and client interviewing but also key transferable skills important for all careers.

Many of these events are hosted by lawyers from global and regional law firms. Students are also invited to the Southampton Law School law fair which takes place in November and is attended by over 50 firms and organisations all keen to engage with students from the Law School. In addition students can access the University's Careers and Employability Service for individual advice and guidance.

Career Destinations

The University Career Destinations service offer help and advice to postgraduate students throughout their time at Southampton and beyond. There are many ways in which you can benefit from their services:

- Confidential, individual discussions to help you plan for your future
- An extensive online vacancy database to help you find part-time and voluntary jobs, as well as permanent posts for graduates
- Opportunities to attend talks, presentations and workshops on a host of topics including (if appropriate) interview techniques, mock interviews and CV writing, many led by leading employers
- Access to five high profile Careers Fairs which attract over 150 local, national and international graduate recruiters
- A range of psychometric tests to increase your self awareness
- Student enterprise and self employment support to help you get started if you have your own business ideas
- A comprehensive careers library and careers advice to support all your career planning activities

Careers advice is also available to former students for up to three years after graduation.

Further information

To find out more about Career Destinations,
Telephone +44(0)23 8059 3501 or visit
www.southampton.ac.uk/careers

Student life

The University of Southampton's six campuses all offer a friendly, vibrant and diverse atmosphere for work and leisure.

Campuses

Our main Highfield Campus, in the north of Southampton, is home to the Students' Union, the Jubilee Sports Centre, the Hartley Library, a 330-seat Uniplex cinema and three leading arts venues: The Nuffield Theatre, the Turner Sims concert hall and the John Hansard Gallery.

A few minutes' walk from Highfield is Avenue Campus, which houses most disciplines within Humanities, and the Centre for Language Study. It has a library, lecture theatres, focused study spaces and catering amenities.

Three miles west of Highfield is Southampton General Hospital, one of the country's leading teaching hospitals and the base for Medicine. The campus offers modern laboratories, computer suites, refurbished lecture theatres, catering facilities and a specialist health services library.

Located on the city's waterfront, the National Oceanography Centre Southampton is one of the world's leading research centres for the study of ocean and Earth sciences. The campus has its own fitness suite, sports hall and catering facilities.

Winchester School of Art is located 12 miles north of Southampton, in Winchester city centre. The campus provides purpose designed studios and workshops, an extensive specialist library, Students' Union facilities, a café and a well-stocked art supplies shop.

Our branch campus for engineering is in EduCity, Iskandar in Malaysia and benefits from innovative world-class facilities for engineering and full access to the learning resources at our UK campuses. It offers postgraduate students the opportunity to study in a safe international environment.

Social life

As a postgraduate student you will automatically become a member of Southampton University's Students' Union (SUSU), one of the largest in the UK. Postgraduate students also enjoy full access to the Staff Social Centre facilities.

The Students' Union provides a range of places to eat great food, hear top bands, see the latest films and get information and advice. The Jubilee Sports Centre houses a 25m swimming

pool, badminton and squash courts and a fitness studio. Our outdoor facilities include eight tennis courts, two floodlit synthetic turf pitches and a number of grass pitches. We also offer a wide range of water sports to cater for everyone, from beginners to elite athletes.

You can also take part in a whole host of clubs and societies, from snowboarding and mountain biking to photography and philosophy. Whatever your interests, SUSU organises a diverse range of events and activities to keep you entertained. Our societies range from the cultural and course-related, to the international, sporting and political.

Accommodation

With 20 halls of residence and first-class facilities it's no wonder our accommodation is so popular. We have more than 5,000 places in 20 halls that provide a wide range of living arrangements that all offer excellent value for money. Our halls vary in size, character and facilities, but they all provide the same high-quality accommodation in a safe, diverse, inclusive environment. We have accommodation specifically for postgraduates, from standard packages to self-catered studio flats. We also have a limited number of properties suitable for couples and families.

If you are a UK or EU student, we welcome your application for a place in halls, which we allocate subject to availability. If we are unable to offer you a place in halls, we can give you help and advice on securing private rented accommodation.

International Students

If you are a full-time registered international postgraduate student, you are guaranteed an offer in halls for your first year of study, provided that you are unaccompanied, live outside Southampton and we receive your accommodation application by the advertised deadline.

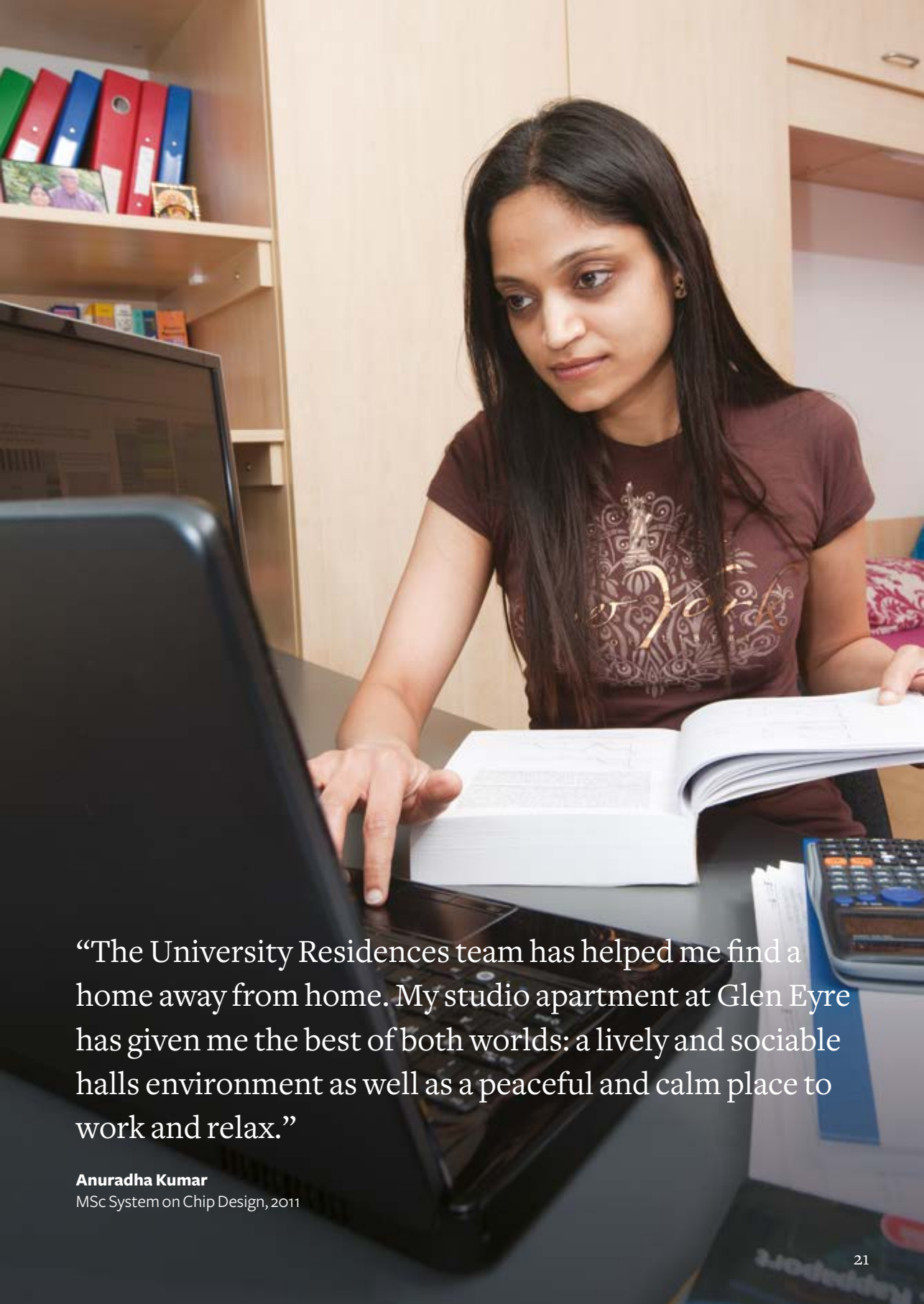
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www.southampton.ac.uk/accommodation



“The University Residences team has helped me find a home away from home. My studio apartment at Glen Eyre has given me the best of both worlds: a lively and sociable halls environment as well as a peaceful and calm place to work and relax.”

Anuradha Kumar

MSc System on Chip Design, 2011



Southampton and region

Southampton is a thriving modern city, steeped in history and culture. Just over an hour south of London, Southampton has excellent transport links with the rest of the UK.

A lively city

Close to the city centre, the University forms an integral part of this dynamic, multicultural city. Our location offers a vibrant mix of recreation, culture and entertainment – from restaurants, cafés, bars and nightclubs to cinemas, sports facilities, internationally acclaimed arts venues and one of the south of England's top shopping centres. The University is next to Southampton Common, a protected Site of Special Scientific Interest with extensive areas of public open space and managed woodland.

Whether you fancy a lunch with friends or dancing into the small hours, Southampton has the right venue. From intimate lounge bars and roof terraces to Leisure World, which houses a casino, bowling alley, several restaurants and bars, a 13-screen cinema and two nightclubs, there is something for everyone. Historic Oxford Street is home to Southampton's finest restaurants, but wherever you are in the city you will be spoiled for choice, with restaurants offering a wide variety of cuisines from across the

globe and catering for every budget. In the city centre you will also find West Quay, one of the south coast's top shopping centres. Whatever your musical tastes, there are great venues in Southampton for live music. The Joiners, for example, is known for up-and-coming bands – Coldplay, Oasis and Radiohead all played there before they were famous. The Guildhall is a multi-purpose venue that stages jazz and rock as well as a range of contemporary and classical music.

Southampton's thriving port handles in excess of 42 million tonnes of cargo annually. It is the cruise industry capital of northern Europe and is engaged in sustained and continued city centre development that continually strives to improve its already enviable facilities.

A connected city

Just over an hour from central London, Southampton has excellent transport links with the rest of the UK and internationally, by road, rail, sea and air. The city is serviced by two mainline train stations, with direct trains to London Waterloo and within easy reach of the Eurostar at St Pancras International. Southampton Airport offers regular flights to UK and major European destinations. Our own award-winning unilink bus service connects all Southampton



campuses and halls of residence, the city centre, the airport and railway stations.

Less than half an hour from Southampton is the New Forest National Park, with vast open heathland and beautiful forest. The resorts of Bournemouth and Poole are just down the coast, while a short ferry ride takes you to the Isle of Wight, which hosts Cowes Week, the largest and most prestigious international sailing regatta in the world.

A historic city

Southampton has a fascinating history. It was from here in 1415 that Henry V set sail for Agincourt. The Pilgrim Fathers first set sail from here in 1620 on their historic journey to the New World, and the ill-fated *Titanic* sailed from Southampton in 1912.

Southampton has a rich aviation heritage, with the Spitfire, the fighter aircraft that won the Battle of Britain, developed in the region in the 1930s. As well as an area of outstanding natural beauty, the New Forest has a fascinating history. Created in 1079 by William the Conqueror as an area for hunting deer, it became an important source of timber for the Royal Navy. Today the forest retains many historical rural practices, such as pasturing of ponies, cattle, pigs

and donkeys in the open forest by local inhabitants, known historically as the ‘commoners’.

A modern city

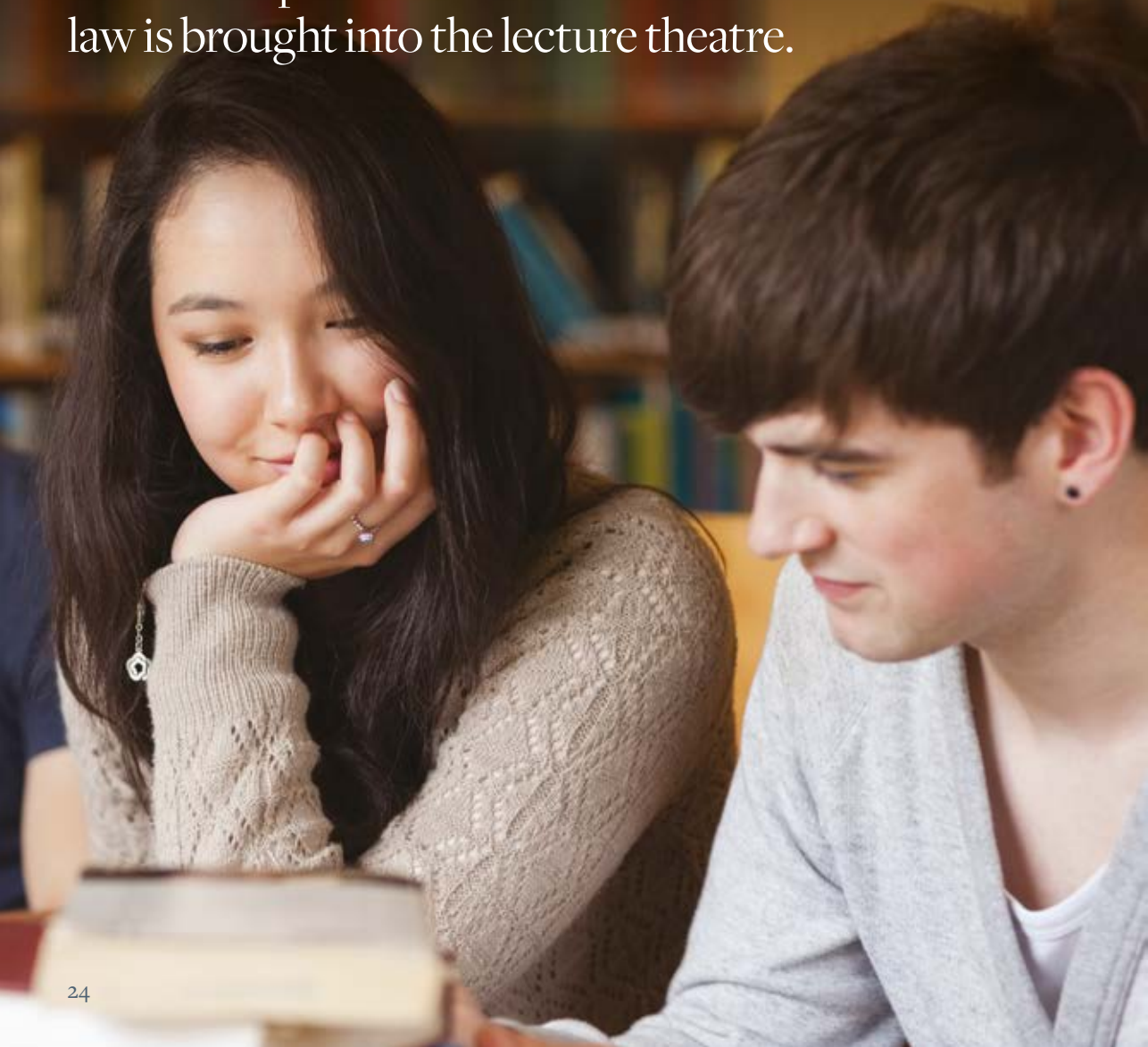
Today, Southampton has one of the biggest commercial ports in Europe, and the city is known across the world as the home of the giant cruise liners, *Queen Mary 2* and *Queen Victoria*. Its coastal location means that Southampton offers a vast range of opportunities for sport and leisure, with waterfront marinas and a major focus on water sports, sailing and ocean racing. The city hosts the largest on-water boat show in Europe – the annual Southampton Boat Show.

Winchester

The historic city of Winchester – England’s ancient capital – is just 12 miles north of Southampton, and is home to the University’s internationally renowned Winchester School of Art. Popular for its bustling shopping streets and spectacular architecture, Winchester is perhaps best known for its 11th century cathedral and the Great Hall, which houses the mysterious Round Table of King Arthur. The city’s rich cultural heritage is complemented by a lively atmosphere and a wide variety of pubs and restaurants, museums, theatres and galleries.

Taught programme structure

You will develop an in-depth understanding of the ever-changing world of law while benefiting from the exceptional expertise of internationally respected scholars, who ensure that the latest and most up-to-date national and international law is brought into the lecture theatre.



“Maritime Law is a fascinating subject and Southampton is undoubtedly the top choice when it comes to the subject. The solid reputation, the flexibility in tailoring the programme to your interests and the alumni network were the key factors in choosing the course.”

Angeliki Valsami

LLM, 2015

Programme structure

All of our programmes consist of a set of taught modules assessed by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation. Research skills sessions and supervision by our staff provide you with the support you need to approach your independent research in a structured way. These sessions are designed to develop study skills and a suitable plan for your independent study.

How will you learn?

Your understanding of the subjects covered and your ability to use the knowledge and skills gained will be aimed at promoting your academic and professional development.

You will experience group work, recognised as vital in your development when looking forward to, or continuing in, a professional role. We will support you in the acquisition of essential transferable skills, such as working within teams and developing effective group presentations. These skills will be useful in future graduate employment. You will also be presented with different case studies that reflect the reality of decision making and problem solving activities in today's legal environment.

Learning alongside other students

Throughout your time with us you will be working alongside fellow students from a wide range of cultural and geographical backgrounds. This is a powerful resource and we are particularly keen to encourage you to set up learning networks with other students that may extend beyond the time of your study at Southampton.

E-learning

E-learning facilities are provided through a learning environment called 'Blackboard' which enables access to many additional resources and supporting learning materials.

Student support service for learning

We will help support your learning needs throughout your time of study. We will provide an induction programme as well as individual support in study skills, where appropriate. You will also be allocated a tutor to support your academic development.

Postgraduate programmes offered at Southampton Law School

- 27 LLM (Masters of Laws)
- 28–29 LLM Maritime Law
- 30–31 LLM Corporate and Commercial Law
- 32 LLM Information Technology and Commerce
- 33 LLM Insurance Law
- 34 LLM International Business Law
- 35 LLM International Law
- 36–37 Research degrees



LLM (Master of Laws)

The LLM (Master of Laws) is an internationally recognised postgraduate law degree. Our LLM pathways draw on the highly-acclaimed research strengths of our academic staff that are at the cutting edge of international and national legal reform and development.

You will register for an LLM (general) or a named LLM from our choice of pathways:

- LLM Corporate and Commercial Law
- LLM Insurance Law
- LLM International Business Law
- LLM International Law
- LLM Information Technology and Commerce
- LLM Maritime Law

Our LLM Master of Laws allows you to choose from our full range of modules – providing a flexible academic programme which can be tailored to suit your own individual interests. You will develop your powers of analysis, legal reasoning and writing skills while exploring four interesting and varied subjects. In today's competitive market our programmes offer you the chance to enhance your knowledge and develop your skills, preparing you to compete with the best to secure your chosen career.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

“The general LLM allows you to tailor your learning to your own intellectual interests and career development. You are able to select modules from any of the specialist areas that draw on the research strengths of the School's academic staff to develop a bespoke LLM that best suits your own educational requirements.”

Professor Hazel Biggs

Head of Southampton Law School

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Admiralty Law
- Carriage of Goods by Sea
- Carriage by Air
- Commercial Conflicts of Laws and International Litigation
- Global Copyright
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Protection of Human Rights
- International Law of the Sea
- International Trade Law
- Law of the Marine Environment
- Marine Insurance

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights and Responsibilities
- Dispute Settlements in International Law
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Online Intellectual Property Enforcement
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Advanced Secured Transactions
- Ship Finance

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710. Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: please refer to the individual programme pages

LLM Maritime Law

Maritime law is an immensely rewarding area of legal research and explores the basic principles of contract, tort and property alongside the fundamentals of the shipping and commodity markets. It also cuts across the boundaries of public and private law.

Southampton Law School offers a world-leading postgraduate qualification in maritime law, the School's longest established programme.

This prestigious programme attracts students from across the world who are taught by internationally renowned experts working at the very forefront of the development of maritime law in the UK and globally.

Specialist seminars given by leading practitioners and academics are also provided in addition to the academic programme to ensure that students understand the link between the theory and operation of law.

The internationally acclaimed Institute of Maritime Law is an integral part of the School and the Institute's staff make a major contribution to teaching on the programme.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Admiralty Law
- Carriage of Goods by Sea
- Carriage of Air
- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Law of the Sea
- International Trade Law
- Law of the Marine Environment
- Marine Insurance

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights
- Dispute Settlements in International Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Advanced Secured Transactions
- Ship Finance

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710. Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal profession, P&I clubs, maritime firms, ship owners, private companies

Amarinder Singh Brar
Master Mariner
LLM Maritime Law, 2015

“I chose Southampton because I wanted to learn from the very best. Most of the academic staff here are at the forefront of the development of maritime law. A cursory search of books and articles on i-Law corroborates this.

Southampton is a wonderful place to study. Interacting with other students with diverse backgrounds from all over the world was a highlight of my study.”



LLM Corporate and Commercial Law

This programme is challenging, interesting and relevant to the global trade environment in which we live. We have an excellent reputation and relationships within the Corporate and Commercial Law professions and are based within easy train access of London and the world's top global firms and employers.

This postgraduate programme gives you the time to develop your powers of analysis, legal reasoning and writing skills while exploring the challenges of transactional commercial law. You can choose from a broad range of module options, which enables you to select a programme of study that is tailored to your individual needs and interests. As a result, you will be equipped with the vital tools to rival the best in the competitive international market for lawyers.

The programme is aimed at graduates, attracted to problem solving and academic rigour, who intend to work in the competitive world of commercial and corporate law. The programme will also meet the needs of those already working in commercial practice who want to move into a new specialism, or broaden and expand their current knowledge of commercial law.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Carriage of Goods by Sea
- Carriage of Air
- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Trade Law
- Marine Insurance
- Ship Finance

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights
- Digital Identity
- Global Copyright Law and Policy
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Advanced Secured Transactions

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710.
Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal profession, banks, private companies



LLM Information Technology and Commerce

The LLM in Information Technology and Commerce is a programme designed to bring together the all-important aspects of commercial law with the ever increasing impact of Information Technology law.

This programme provides a comprehensive grounding in the legal and regulatory environment in which this technological change is taking place. You will have the opportunity to choose from a broad range of subject areas and tailor the programme to your own individual needs and interests. You will develop an in-depth understanding of the legal response to these changes and the reasons why the law is moving in a particular direction. With a sound understanding of this important area of law and a readiness to apply that knowledge commercially, you will be well equipped to compete for careers in the corporate and business world.

The Institute for Law and the Web (ILAWS) is a unique interdisciplinary research centre. Established in 2006, it brings together legal expertise in key domains such as information technology law, e-commerce, IT law and public policy and intellectual property law.

www.southampton.ac.uk/ilaws

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Trade Law

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Advanced Secured Transactions
- Carriage of Air
- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights
- Digital Identity
- Global Copyright and Trademark Law and Policy
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Online Intellectual Property Enforcement
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Ship Finance

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710.
Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal profession, banks, private companies

LLM Insurance Law

Insurance law is a topic of major importance to private individuals and the commercial sector alike, but is researched or taught at only a very small number of universities in the UK and other common law jurisdictions. Insurance law is a complex and intriguing subject that is fascinating to study and offers a multitude of rewarding career prospects.

Southampton Law School is home to several academics whose primary research interest is insurance law. It is also home to the largest community of postgraduate researchers in insurance law in the UK, and insurance contract law has been offered as a subject at undergraduate level since 2011. The new LLM stream in insurance law offers the opportunity to spend a year studying insurance law in depth and to reflect upon the interaction of insurance law with other aspects of a business.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on any topic of insurance law.

Programme structure

Compulsory modules

- Insurance law
- Marine insurance

Students will also be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Admiralty Law
- Carriage of Goods by Sea
- Carriage by Air
- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Protection of Human Rights
- International Law of the Sea
- International Trade Law

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights
- Digital Identity
- Global Copyright Law and Policy
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Online Intellectual Property Enforcement
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Advanced Secured Transactions
- Ship Finance

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710. Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal professions, underwriting, broking and claims management

LLM International Business Law

The capacity to apply business law is a highly sought after skill in today's competitive, and increasingly interdependent, legal world. Our programme will provide you with an opportunity to expand your knowledge of business law, will develop your analytical, evaluative and research skills, and ultimately maximise your career opportunities.

We offer a comprehensive range of modules that cover international trade law, business law, competition law, corporate governance, Intellectual Property (IP) and legal regulation.

While our students are typically law graduates, this programme will also be of interest to business and legal professionals working in the national and international commercial sector. The programme will leave graduates well prepared for careers in private practice, industry, international organisations, or in government service.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Carriage by Air
- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Trade Law

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Corporate Governance: Regulating Boards of Directors
- Corporate Governance: Shareholders' Rights
- Digital Identity
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law
- The Law of Ship Sale and Purchase
- Principles of Secured Transactions
- Advanced Secured Transactions
- Dispute Settlements in International Law
- Ship Finance

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710.
Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal profession, banks, private companies

LLM International Law

International law is no longer simply a matter for diplomats and international organisations but it is impacting increasingly on the lives of ordinary citizens. Organisations now have to consider the wider issues of international law whether in the context of international human rights and conflict resolution, the environment, or in a business and commercial environment.

Our LLM in International Law offers an excellent professional development opportunity for those working in, or wishing to move into, specialist areas such as international aid and development, international relations, and international security.

This programme, led by eminent researchers in the field, also places graduates well to compete for the many career opportunities that arise in related areas, such as public service, journalism, international business, and academia where a broad understanding of international legal issues is required.

Assessment

Assessment is by coursework and exams, plus a final dissertation on an agreed topic.

Programme structure

Students will be required to complete a Dissertation as part of the course. In addition students are required to complete 90 ECTS/180 CATS. 30 ECTS/60 CATS are awarded for the LLM dissertation. Students are therefore free to choose modules in total completing 60 ECTS/120 CATS. For instance, a student who selects 4 modules of 15 ECTS/30 CATS will complete the required taught modules.

Optional modules 15 ECTS/30 CATS:

- Carriage of Air
- Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation
- Intellectual Property Law and Theory
- Insurance Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Protection of Human Rights
- International Law of the Sea
- International Trade Law

Half modules 7.5 ECTS/15 CATS:

- Fundamentals of Public International Law
- Digital Identity
- Dispute Settlements in International Law
- Global Copyright and Trademark Law and Policy
- Internet Intermediaries and Data Protection Law

Visit our website for more detailed descriptions of the modules on offer.

Key facts

Start date: late September

Programme duration: full-time 1 year; part-time 2 years

Entry requirements: an upper second class Bachelor's degree in law or an equivalent degree as approved by the university. Account may also be taken of practical experience within the relevant field of study.

Language requirements: see page 38

Fees: Full-time; Home/EU £9,000, International £16,710. Part-time; Home/EU £4,500 for each year

Career destinations: legal profession, banks, private companies, national authorities

Research degrees

Southampton Law School provides a stimulating and supportive research environment. Our PhD programme is ideally suited to ambitious, motivated scholars, who wish to undertake independent research. We offer doctoral supervision to students from across legal disciplines, including topics relevant to our research groupings (more details on page 17):

- The Institute of Maritime Law
- The Institute for Law and the Web
- The Centre for Health, Ethics and Law
- The Insurance Law Research Group
- The Centre for Law, Policy and Society

We take care to ensure that you will receive high quality supervision. We thus place strong emphasis on examining your research proposal to be clear that proper supervision is available.

Support and training

Beyond providing research supervision, the PhD programme at Southampton is designed to offer students a wide range of opportunities to develop and flourish as legal scholars. Students undertake research with access to our excellent Law Library. At various stages of the programme, students present their work to fellow postgraduate researchers and members of the academic staff. They are encouraged and supported too in seeing the wider dissemination of their work.

The Faculty offers ongoing training and development. This is complemented within the Law School, with a programme of training directed specifically at legal scholars. This programme includes sessions to enhance understanding of research techniques, methodologies and writing practices. With a view to wider career progression, there is also a focus on understanding how to bridge from your doctoral study to the next stage of your career, and developing relevant skills to carry into the future.

Why undertake doctoral research at Southampton?

One of the greatest benefits of a PhD, and the purpose of research, is ultimately to produce an original contribution to knowledge. As well as providing the foundation for those who wish to pursue a career in academic law, a PhD can often open doors to positions in higher management and qualify you to work in or lead research groups in industry, government, or the public sector, where a high level of advanced research expertise in a specialist area is required. The impressive practical experience and legal expertise held by the staff at Southampton Law School make it the ideal place to undertake your doctoral study.

Programme structure

Minimum registration periods are: one year for the MPhil (2 years part-time); 2 years for the PhD (3 years part-time).

You will normally be required to attend designated research training courses at the University. The School also supports research students to attend and present their work at international conferences.

Application procedure, please refer to the Law School website: www.southampton.ac.uk/lawpg

Key facts

Programme director: Dr Jamie MacLean

Start date: Normally early October, but you are advised to apply early, normally by June, for admission in the next academic year if you need to secure a UK visa, arrange sponsorship, apply for funding or find accommodation

Entry requirements: Upper second-class honours degree or an equivalent standard in other qualifications as approved by the university in law or comparable subject. If you are an international student you also need to demonstrate an adequate level of English language proficiency. You will need to provide us with evidence that you have achieved an overall IELTS of 7.0 with at least 6.0 in each component (or equivalent).

Fees and funding: visit the School website

Further information

Telephone +44(0)23 8059 2562 or
email us at PGRApply.FBL@soton.ac.uk

Debo Awofeso

PhD student

“I chose to study here because not only is the Law School a world leader in the maritime law field, it is also highly rated University for research work.

I have access to the best legal minds at Southampton Law School, and everyone is approachable and willing to help. Although it always is the case that your research is unique, from speaking to colleagues, you learn one or two things that are relevant for you.

The work has stretched and challenged me, because sometimes it's easy to underestimate how much time and effort research takes, especially independent research.

What excites me about my study is the potential to break new ground, as the whole point of a PhD is contributing something new to the existing literature. This can be daunting, but it's as close as one gets to a blank canvas, and hopefully at the end of it, you've created a beautiful picture that's useful and relevant for years to come.

Southampton is a lovely and vibrant place to live in, and I love that you can literally find things to do on your doorstep. There are lots of nice bars and restaurants, and if that's not enough, London is only a short train ride away.”



Applying

How to apply

To apply for postgraduate study you must satisfy (or be predicted to satisfy) the general entry requirements of the academic unit and any specific requirements of your chosen programme. These are set out in the key facts section for each programme in this prospectus and online.

Some programmes require a masters degree to be achieved with merit or distinction (or the equivalent standard). As a guide, the University would normally consider a merit to be where the final overall mark is between 60 and 69 per cent and distinction to be 70 per cent or higher.

You will then need to complete the online application form on our website, which you can find at **www.southampton.ac.uk/pgapply**

For most programmes this will include submitting supporting documentation, for example a copy of your undergraduate degree certificate, which you can upload with your application form. You can find the exact list of documents you will need to submit for your programme on the relevant course page of our website. We will send you an acknowledgement email as soon as we have received your completed application.

As well as academic qualifications and practical experience, we are looking for evidence of your interest in the subject area and an understanding of the rigorous demands of postgraduate study. It is a good idea to cover these areas when you are writing your personal statement.

There is no University deadline for applications for taught or research programmes, but some academic units may have their own application deadlines. For more details, see the key facts section for each course or research programme. You should apply as early as possible if you need to secure a UK visa or if you are applying for funding or sponsorship.

We operate a fair and transparent admissions policy which we review annually. You may read the current policy online at **www.southampton.ac.uk/admissions_policy**

English language requirements

All of our programmes are taught in the medium of English (with the exception of language-specific programmes). As such, if English is not your first language, you will need to demonstrate that you have reached a satisfactory standard in an approved English language test.

The following scores are accepted for direct entry onto our research degrees and LLMs:

IELTS 7.0 overall with 6.0 in all components

All tests must be no more than two years old at the time of enrolment.

The University recognises a wide range of English language tests and other qualifications which are listed in full online at **www.southampton.ac.uk/admissions_language**. This page also lists those countries for which the requirement to sit a specific English language test for visa purposes does not apply.

The University also offers its own, tailored pre-sessional programme for applicants who need to improve their English language skills before enrolling on their chosen programme. Further information regarding pre-sessional opportunities may be found online at

www.southampton.ac.uk/presessional

In addition to the shorter pre-sessional programme, the Centre for Language Studies offers a variety of courses and support for international students. These include year-round English language tuition and online opportunities, some of which are free of charge for postgraduate students. Further information can be found online at

www.southampton.ac.uk/international/english

Fees and funding

Tuition fees

As a postgraduate student, you will need to pay an annual tuition fee to the University for your programme of study. This varies according to the type of programme you choose. The fee charged for full-time students includes the full cost of tuition, examinations, Students' Union membership and research support expenses, where applicable. For specific information about the fee for a particular programme, please refer to the key facts section for each programme in this prospectus.

Fees payable by students from the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man are set annually by the islands' governments, and UK universities are typically notified of the levels in the spring prior to the next academic session.

Funding your studies

We offer some postgraduate scholarships and bursaries, which are awarded by individual academic units.

For further details, please visit the Law School's website: www.southampton.ac.uk/lawpg

Which fees apply to me?

The University is required to classify your fees status in accordance with the Education (Fees and Awards) (England) Regulations 2007. The amount you will have to pay depends on a number of criteria – details are available from the UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA), which provides free advice and information to international students studying in the UK. Publicly funded educational institutions charge two levels of fee: the lower 'home' fee and the higher 'overseas' fee. There are certain categories of students who must be charged the home fee. More information is available at www.ukcisa.org.uk

Overseas (international) fees apply if you do not meet the criteria for UK/EU (home) fees.

Note: all figures in this section are subject to change and were correct at time of print.

Research contracts

We receive high levels of funding from external bodies and research councils, specifically for postgraduate researchers. For more information, see the key facts section on your programme of study page in this prospectus.

Postgraduate loans

The government has announced a postgraduate loan scheme for students from the UK and EU studying both taught and research masters programmes worth up to £10,000 per student.

Further details about the loan scheme and to see if you are eligible can be found on the Student Finance England website; www.practitioners.slc.co.uk/policy-information/postgraduate-loans-201617.aspx

International postgraduates

Southampton has a thriving and diverse international community of postgraduate students. Each year we welcome over 7,000 EU and international students from more than 130 countries.

Living and studying in a different country has its own unique challenges. We make student entry straightforward, offer attractive scholarships to eligible applicants, help you settle into your new life and advise you on all aspects of living in the UK. Our network of services and advisors ensure that your studies and life at Southampton are as productive and stress-free as possible.

International Office

Staff from our International Office attend educational exhibitions around the world, as well as making numerous visits overseas and to colleges in the UK.

If you are unable to visit us in Southampton, make sure you book an appointment to meet us at one of the exhibitions or join us on a virtual open day. You will find a quick introduction to the University on our website, which is available in other languages. You can also view web pages dedicated to 50 specific countries.

To join us on a virtual open day, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/virtualopenday

Welcome Programme

Each September, we arrange our Welcome Programme, which helps you settle into life here. The programme includes general events to introduce you to our facilities, subject-specific events to begin your academic induction and a range of social and cultural activities.

You will meet other postgraduate students and explore the University and the city, so that you know where to worship, relax and shop. You will also meet current international students who will be able to give you good advice.

Meet and Greet

Our free Meet and Greet service from London Heathrow and Gatwick airports will get you to the University in time for the Welcome Programme. You can register for both the service and the Programme from July 2015 on our website.

English language requirements

If English is not your first language, you will need to demonstrate that you have sufficient knowledge of the English language to be able to benefit from all academic activities at the University. For details about English language requirements for our courses visit our website.

If you need to improve your English language skills before enrolling on your chosen programme of study, you can apply for one of our pre-session English language courses.

Our Centre for Language Study offers a variety of courses and support for our international postgraduate community. We run year-round intensive and summer pre-session English language courses, as well as online courses. English language support courses are provided free of charge throughout the year for postgraduates.

For more information, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/international/english

Pre-masters

Our pre-masters programme is designed to equip you with the academic and English language skills you will need to get the most from a taught masters degree. For more information, visit www.southampton.ac.uk/pre-masters

Visas

Before you join us, find out about the UK's immigration procedures. You will need to do this well in advance of your arrival in the UK. Our website provides information on student visas, police registration, working in the UK and has links to other useful websites.



“Studying at the University of Southampton really helped me find my passion and fuel my drive to learn and succeed both academically and professionally. The invaluable support and guidance of the teaching staff coupled with that of new friends really helped me move past the tougher moments during my three years and set me on a path that I am truly enthusiastic about and keen on pursuing.”

Nallie Yue
LLM graduate, 2015

Find out more
www.southampton.ac.uk/international

How to get here

By road

Southampton M3 – exit M3 at junction 14, following signs for Southampton (A33). Follow the A33 into Bassett Avenue and follow map/signs to University campuses.

M27 (west or east) – leave M27 at junction 5 (Southampton Airport) and follow map/signs to University campuses.

Winchester M3 – exit M3 at junction 9 or 10.

By rail

Fast trains from London and Bournemouth/Weymouth stop at Winchester, Southampton Central and Southampton Airport Parkway. Trains from Portsmouth and Bristol/ South Wales stop at Southampton Central. The unilink U1 bus service runs between Southampton Central and Southampton Airport Parkway via the University.

By coach

Southampton coach station is at Western Esplanade, in the city centre. unilink U1 buses connect the University's Southampton campuses and the city centre.

By air

Southampton Airport is about 20 minutes from the Southampton campuses by bus or taxi. There is a full UK domestic service, as well as flights to mainland Europe and the Channel Islands.



Terms and conditions

Relevant web links are shown throughout the Southampton Law School brochure. Please also consult www.southampton.ac.uk/lawpg online for further details and/or any changes which have appeared since first publication of the Southampton Law School brochure or phone 44 (0)23 8059 4393 for more information.

Disclaimer

The University of Southampton will use all reasonable efforts to deliver advertised programmes and other services and facilities in accordance with the descriptions set out in its prospectuses, student handbooks, welcome guides and website. It will provide students with the tuition, learning support, services and facilities so described with reasonable care and skill.

The University, therefore, reserves the right if it considers it to be necessary to alter the timetable, location, content or method of delivery of events provided such alterations are reasonable.

Financial or other losses

The University will not be held liable for any direct or indirect financial or other losses or damage arising from changes made to the event timetable, location, content or method of delivery of various services and facilities set out herein.

Force majeure

The University will not be held liable for any loss, damage or expense resulting from any delay, variation or failure in the provision of services and facilities set out herein, arising from circumstances beyond the University's reasonable control, including (but not limited to) war or threat of war, riot, civil strife, terrorist activity, industrial dispute, natural or nuclear disaster, adverse weather conditions, interruption in power supplies or other services for any reason, fire, boycott and telecommunications failure.

In the event that such circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the University arise, it will use all reasonable endeavours to minimise disruption as far as it is practical to do so.

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This information can be made available, on request, in alternative formats such as electronic, large print, Braille or audio tape, and in some cases, other languages. Please call +44 (0)23 8059 7726 to request an alternative format

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