

Module Details	
Module Title	Environmental Law
Module Code	LAW6021-B
Academic Year	2024/5
Credits	20
School	School of Law
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 6

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	22
Tutorials	11
Directed Study	167

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 1

Module Aims
<p>The module will evaluate the extent to which current environmental law and policies provide suitable mechanisms for achieving sustainable human and environmental futures. The module covers a number of emerging subjects of environmental regulation such as the connection between climate policy and energy policy, specifically in relation to renewable sources of energy as well as unconventional and controversial sources of energy such as fracking.</p>

Outline Syllabus
<p>The module covers the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to modern environmental law and regulation, the role of international policies and treaties, and EU environmental law and policy. - Drawing on a number of legal materials the module will explore the complex social, economic and political context in which environmental law exists. - It will consider some current and emerging environmental issues of major international concern, e.g. nature protection, climate change and its interaction with energy policy, pollution control, and the relationship between international trade and the environment.

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
01	Demonstrate a clear understanding of the main concepts, rules and principles of environmental law.
02	Develop the skills and awareness to appreciate the operation of law within the environmental law in general in the context of various legal institutions, legal rules and legal principles.
03	Present coherent arguments supported by appropriate legal basis, case law and policy.
04	Demonstrate cognitive skills, in particular the ability to undertake independent research, synthesise knowledge and critically evaluate academic materials.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
<p>Lectures establish the framework of environmental law. Seminars allow detailed application of knowledge gained through lectures and will always require advance preparation. The private study takes the form of directed study following on from lectures and in preparing for seminars. The teaching method promotes knowledge and understanding of environmental law and allows for the development of various skills, including analysis, synthesis, critical judgement, evaluation, and legal research skills (LO1 and LO2).</p> <p>The module assignment tests the knowledge and understanding of environmental law through demonstration of various skills, including analysis, synthesis, critical judgement, evaluation, and legal research skills (LO1 and LO4) as well as the ability to write appropriately using legal language and citing relevant legal authorities (LO2 and LO3).</p>

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Coursework - Written	Research essay (3000-4000 words)	100%

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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