

Module Details	
Module Title	Law of Financial Crime
Module Code	LAW7085-B
Academic Year	2024/5
Credits	20
School	School of Law
FHEQ Level	FHEQ Level 7

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Directed Study	168
Seminars	32

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

Module Aims
<p>The aim of this module is to introduce and explore the key legal issues and principles underpinning the law and policy related to financial crimes. The module will also explore issues of practical application of the law and law reform.</p> <p>This module will approach the law and policy on financial crime from an international perspective, while elements of policy to tackle financial crimes in important jurisdictions especially in US, UK and EU will be considered.</p> <p>This module is an important element of the LLM International Banking and Financial Technology Law programme due to the significance of the prevention of financial crime in banking operations; part of the LLM International Commercial Law, due to the impact of financial crime on commerce and trade transactions; part of the LLM International Corporate Law and Governance programme because financial crime can have a significant impact on the relationship between the modern corporation and its suppliers, partners and clients; part of the LLM International Human Rights Law and Development due to the fact that financial crimes relates to the violation human rights; and part of the LLM International Legal Studies as one of the significant modern areas of legal study that students could explore.</p> <p>This module is also suitable for any other postgraduate programme where knowledge of financial crime law contributes towards the achievement of the programme aims.</p>

Outline Syllabus

An indicative list of topics is included below. The list may be subject to change in order to better reflect new developments in law related to the subject area.

- Introduction to the aims and objectives of the policy preventing financial crimes.
- The problem of financial crime and its contributing factors
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- Development of a range of transferable skills such as independent study, effective written and oral communication and problem solving.

Learning Outcomes

Outcome Number	Description
01	Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of the existing typology, contributing factors and impact of financial crime on society and of the international ethical and legal frameworks aimed at addressing it.
02	Critically evaluate the legal concepts, principles and frameworks underpinning financial crime and develop comprehensive proposals for legal reform.
03	Critically apply the legal concepts, frameworks and principles to provide legal advice and solutions to real-world scenarios involving financial crimes.
04	Exhibit ability to conduct independent legal research in the field and communicate effectively orally and in writing using appropriate legal terminology.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

The module uses 32-hours of workshops delivered over 12 weeks to support learning and achievement. The workshops will address the key ethical issues, contributing factors and legal concepts and frameworks related to financial crime and will include a set of structured learning activities (eg, discussion of pre-read academic materials) that 'scaffold' the learning.

The workshops will also include tasks and discussions on practical aspects of law and ethics, areas of reform and opportunities for further study and self-study.

The learning process is a mix of directed and independent study.

Initially you will be directed to study the topics selected by the module team through the provision to you on the virtual learning environment of relevant materials (lecture slides, reading lists etc). The aim of the directed part of the study will be to introduce you to the fundamental legal concepts and principles of the subject area and of relevant learning resources.

Then you will be guided to study the subjects more broadly and independently with the module team setting in the weekly activities research and other tasks, such as search for solution to real life problems and for legal advice to clients, which require independent research and study by you. independent legal research requires drawing on variety of both primary and secondary materials and written and oral presentations by you. It also requires development of legal arguments and evaluations personal to you.

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Oral feedback will be given in the class and opportunities for written feedback will be provided. Tutors will be available to meet you individually (face-to-face or online) if requested to discuss further feedback opportunities and review your progress. Formative assessment will be made available to help you better prepare for the summative assessment.

The assessment for this module includes a written research report on a law topic or combination of topics covered in the module, including a 500 words reflective account. The topic should be related to financial crime, contain an analysis of legal principles issues and legal frameworks selected by the students and contain examples of practical application of the law, critique and evaluation of the law and proposals for legal reform. A formative assessments in the form of a group presentation will also be provided as a way to prepare students for the summative assessments.

The assessment will be suitable to help students to achieve all the learning outcomes of the module and will facilitate the achievement of the learning outcomes of the relevant LLM programmes as follows:

- LLM International Corporate Law and Governance: LOs 1-5,8 .
- LLM International Banking and Financial Technology Law: LOs 1-5, 8.
- LLM international Commercial Law, LOs 1-5, 7,8.
- LLM International Human Rights Law and Development: LOs: 1-5, 7-8. 10.
- LLM International Legal Studies: LOs, 1-5, 6-8.

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Coursework - Written	Research report on selected Law topic/combination of topics covered in module (3500 words & 500 word reflective account)	100%
Formative	Presentation	Group oral presentation in class (15 mins)	N/A

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

Please note:

This module descriptor has been published in advance of the academic year to which it applies. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information is accurate at the time of publication, but minor changes may occur given the interval between publishing and commencement of teaching. Upon commencement of the module, students will receive a handbook with further detail about the module and any changes will be discussed and/or communicated at this point.

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