



British Law Centre

Entrance Requirements and Fees

As all teaching is conducted entirely in English, students should ensure that they have the necessary level of ability in the English language to be able to follow the course. We welcome applications from students of all years of study.

Annual course fees: €525 euros (for student) €675 euros (for graduates)

For full details on course fees and regulations, as well as contact information, please go to the Masaryk University web site (<http://www.law.muni.cz/blc>). Masaryk students are entitled to 15 degree credit points for each of the 8 modules completed in both the Faculty masters' and doctoral degree studies.

or to BLC site at www.britishlawcentre.co.uk and follow the link to the 'courses' page to locate the Brno centre where you may find more information and also submit your application online. A local centre one-off administration fee is payable of €340 euros.

Course recruitment starts in April in each year and application forms should be submitted by July/September 2016 online at the BLC website. Additional information can be obtained from:-

- a) the Local Programme Director: Věra Redrupová at vera.redrupova@law.muni.cz
- b) Denise Ashmore, Director of Studies at: d.ashmore@britishlawcentre.co.uk

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Introduction to Juris Angliae Scientia and the British Law Centres

In 2012 the British Law Centre celebrated 20 years of co-operation with the University of Warsaw and the Centre for European Legal Studies of the Law Faculty of the University of Cambridge, the original collaboration being facilitated by its then Director, Professor W.R. Cornish.

The primary aim of the Centre was to provide its students with an introduction to the fundamental principles of English and European Union law, which they would have an opportunity to study alongside/as part of their own university degree programme.

This project initially received financial support from both the 'Know How Fund' of the British Government and a number of international law firms. Its success led to a similar course being offered to a number of other Polish universities and subsequently to other universities throughout Central and Eastern Europe.

Participating universities have included institutions in Poland, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Romania and Bulgaria, and Slovenia.

Academic committee:

University of Cambridge

Prof W.R. Cornish

Prof Richard Fentiman

Dr Jonathan Morgan

Dr Jennifer Davis

University of York

Prof Richard Nolan

External examiners include:

University of Cambridge

Prof Neil Andrews

University of Glasgow

Prof Rosa Greaves



"Over the twenty years of its life the British Law Centre has transformed the approach to teaching law in Central Europe, and so played an important part in helping to strengthen the rule of law in those countries" (Lord Carnwath of Notting Hill, Chairman of Members of JAS Ltd and judge to UK Supreme Court)

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Syllabus

Year One (compulsory)

1. English legal system and introduction to EU law
2. English contract law and practice
3. English criminal Law
4. The law of torts and trusts/ property law

Year Two

1. Intellectual property law
2. An introduction to substantive EU law
3. English business associations (emphasis on company law)
4. International trade law (including international commercial litigation)

Assessment

Following completion of each module in the first year, students will undertake a written assignment. Second year subjects are usually assessed by examination, with an alternative option for a written thesis or practical assessment. Continuing assessment of students will take place in the compulsory seminars and tutorials.

The British Law Centre Today

The 2016 diploma continues to maintain its standard of excellence in providing teaching in substantive law subjects and training in legal and professional skills to all its students who, in addition to receiving extensive course material through the designated virtual learning platform, also receive regular teaching by experienced BLC tutors. The English and EU law course is designed predominantly for law students, trainee and practising lawyers, but our students have also included translators, linguists and students from other disciplines such as international relations and European studies. BLC students also have the chance to participate in a range of extra-curricular activities, involving mooting, conferences, and debates.



Advocate General Michal Bobek and Dr Jonathan Morgan judging annual Central and Eastern European Moot Court Competition held in Malta in 2012 (ceemc.co.uk)

Course Structure

The traditional two year diploma course contains eight modules (normally studied in two consecutive years, but with the possibility for a one-year break in studies). Successful students will be awarded a Diploma in An Introduction to English and European Union Law and will also be entitled to receive 3 degree credits each semester for the 8 modules completed in both the masters' and doctoral degree courses. Please contact the local course coordinator for more information.



Distinction BLC graduate at Warsaw award ceremony, in company of Sir Konrad Schiemann (former UK judge at CJEU) and Prof. Cornish

Teaching comprises small classes where students will apply substantive law to specific factual scenarios. The technique of small group teaching allows students to develop their problem-solving, advocacy and negotiation skills.

Teaching methods and materials

The course is composed of a flexible learning system, incorporating comprehensive workbooks made available prior to teaching visits on each module on the Moodle virtual learning platform, with lectures and classes conducted regularly by visiting academics. Students are expected to prepare for classes in advance. Teaching is organized on the basis of small classes and active discussion.

In the lectures and classes for each subject taught, students will learn to solve legal problems in complex factual scenarios, a key feature of the common law, and will acquire the skills of effective legal judgment, advocacy and problem-solving.



Members of BLC academic committee in run up to 2012 20th Anniversary conference

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