

Law reporter enthrals students with tales of murder outside The Old Bailey



Goldsmiths Law Convention - July 2022



Mock Trial at Brighton Magistrates Court - June 2022



Visit to the Supreme Court - Dec 2019



Debate Day at the Supreme Court - March 2017



Applied Law BTEC National Extended Certificate



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Why study BTEC Level 3 Applied Law?

Law affects our every waking moment. The house you live in, the bed you sleep in and the food you eat – they are all regulated by laws. In fact it is very difficult to think of any human activity that is not regulated by laws. Studying Applied Law at Varndean will give you the opportunity to explore some of these laws.

This course is perfect if you prefer a mix of coursework and exams. Being assessed primarily through coursework means the course has a wider legal focus and will help you if you want to pursue a career in law, business or management.

What units will I study in Year 1?

Year 1 comprises 2 units and are assessed through coursework and one exam.

Unit 1: Dispute Solving in Civil Law (online exam - pre-seen material)

• Eg: What court would I take my civil case to? Who would represent me? Where would I get funding?

Unit 2: Understanding Law Making (coursework)

• Eg: To understand how laws are made by Parliament and in the courts. To consider why Europe is still important!

What units will I study in Year 2?

Unit 3: Applying the Law (written exam 1.5 hours)

• An exploration of murder, manslaughter, police powers and property offences.

Unit 4: Family Law (coursework)

• Understanding the basics of Family Law.

How am I graded?

All units are awarded either Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction^{*}. The coursework marks and exams are added together to give you your overall grade, eg a Merit overall is equivalent to a C at A Level.

How will I be taught?

Tutors use a variety of teaching techniques such as class discussions, group work and individual research to form the basis of each assignment. These are also supported with outside speakers and visits to a number of different courts eg: Lewes Crown Court, Brighton Magistrates, the Old Bailey and the Supreme Court. Last year there was also a trip to Amsterdam and The Hague to explore International Human Rights Law. Next year students will explore Human Rights in New York and Paris.

What can I do once I've finished this course?

You can go to University as your BTEC will count as UCAS points. Our current students are applying for Business and Management, International Marketing, Human Resources, Law, Computing and Travel and Tourism. You could also consider employment in a law firm, working for the courts, banking, insurance, Local Government and journalism.





Visiting The Peace Palace in The Hague

Outside Royal Courts of Justice