

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

Family Law			
Reference	LL3174	Version	2
Created	June 2022	SCQF Level	SCQF 9
Approved	May 2017	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2023	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To provide students with a working understanding of Family Law in Scotland and in particular the relationships of Husband and Wife; Civil Partnership; Cohabitees and Parent and Child.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Consider and analyse the main principles of family law.
- 2 Critically evaluate and analyse the legal consequences of key family law relationships such as marriage, civil partnership and parent and child.
- 3 Apply the understanding of the legal consequences of the key family law relationships to practical situations.

### Indicative Module Content

Consideration of the features and legal consequences of marriage, matrimonial breakdown and the grounds for divorce; financial provision on divorce; cohabitation; legitimacy; parental rights and responsibilities; residence and contact; civil partnership; adoption and the key Human Rights Act 1998 implications of family law.

### Module Delivery

This is a lecture and tutorial based module. Lectures provide core module content. Tutorials develop associated higher level skills through student centred learning.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	36	36
Non-Contact Hours	114	114
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	150	150
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

**ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

**Component 1**

Type:	Coursework	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3
Description:	Written coursework exercise				

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

The calculation of the overall grade for this module is based on 100% weighting of CW1. An overall minimum grade D is required to pass the module.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	The student needs to achieve an A in CW1
<b>B</b>	The student needs to achieve a B in CW1
<b>C</b>	The student needs to achieve a C in CW1
<b>D</b>	The student needs to achieve a D in CW1
<b>E</b>	The student needs to achieve an E in CW1
<b>F</b>	The student needs to achieve an F in CW1
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module	None.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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