

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

The Environment and Energy Law

Reference	LLM103	Version	2
Created	October 2022	SCQF Level	SCQF 11
Approved	June 2022	SCQF Points	15
Amended	August 2023	ECTS Points	7.5

### Aims of Module

To provide students with a deeper understanding of the connection between the environment and energy.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

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

- 1 Critically appraise the evolution of environmental law and its growing impact on energy law and policy.  
Critically analyse the roles of key actors/stakeholders in this process: corporations, regulators, institutions, policymakers, scientists, lawyers, society at large, ecosystems and the environment (both voiceless) and NGOs.
- 2 Select and critically examine key legislation relating to the environmental impacts of the energy industry.
- 3 Understand the complex relationship between energy and the environment encompassing a range of concepts such as energy justice, sustainable use of natural resources, threats to biodiversity, climate change and the energy transition, the principle of access to modern energy services, principle of environmental protection.
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### Indicative Module Content

Connecting the Environment to Energy Law; Environmental impacts of the hydrocarbon production cycle; Renewable Energy production and biodiversity; Transboundary Pollution Issues; Principle of Energy Justice; Principle of Sustainable Use of Natural Resources; Principle of Protection of the Environment, Human Health & Combating Climate Change; Principle of access to modern energy services; Beyond the Carbon Economy; Integrating environmental and energy law.

### Module Delivery

The module will be delivered Online (DL); and (FTF) Blended Digitally enhanced format, including on campus workshops, pre-recordings, presentations, group discussions, and online supervised and interactive sessions, forum discussions using Moodle.

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**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, 4
Description:	Written Essay				

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

This module is assessed by one component: C1 100% weighting. Module pass mark = Grade D

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	The student needs to achieve an A in Component 1
<b>B</b>	The student needs to achieve a B in Component 1
<b>C</b>	The student needs to achieve a C in Component 1
<b>D</b>	The student needs to achieve a D in Component 1
<b>E</b>	The student needs to achieve an E in Component 1
<b>F</b>	The student needs to achieve an F in Component 1
<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.

**ADDITIONAL NOTES**

No notes

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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| 3 | Mining and Energy Law, Samantha Hepburn, 2015, Cambridge University Press.   |
| 4 | Sustainable Energy Democracy and the Law, 2021, Ed. Ruven Fleming, Brill.  |