

# **Programme Specification**

Awarding Body/Institution	Queen Mary University of London				
Teaching Institution	Queen Mary University of London				
Name of Final Award and Programme Title	LLM in Law and Economics				
Name of Interim Award(s)					
Duration of Study / Period of Registration	one year (full time); two years (part time)				
QM Programme Code / UCAS Code(s)					
QAA Benchmark Group					
FHEQ Level of Award	Level 7				
Programme Accredited by					
Date Programme Specification Approved					
Responsible School / Institute	Centre for Commercial Law Studies				
Schools which will also be involved in teach	ing part of the programme				
School of Economics					
Institution(s) other than Queen Mary that will provide some teaching for the programme					

## **Programme Outline**

Due to the recognition of the interrelationship between Law and Economics, and the increasing number of students who are willing to study the interaction between law and economics, jointly with other subjects, have led us to develop LLM in Law and Economics. This programme is a stepping stone to developing academic and professional expertise in both fields. The programme of study provides a flexible mix of classroom based teaching in:

- 1.Two compulsory taught modules (22.5 credits each) which lay a foundation to Law and Economics theories.
- 2. Optional 90 credits, made of combination of economics modules and/or law modules
- 3. A group presentation and a self-directed work on a 15,000 word dissertation (45 credits) combining elements of law and economics.

## Aims of the Programme

The aim of this programme is to produce well-trained lawyers/economists capable of going on immediately to begin a PhD in either Law or Economics and/or to take employment in a field in which Law and Economics plays an important part. We hope and expect that a significant number of the graduates of the LLM in Law and Economics programme will stay on to do a PhD with us, thus driving recruitment at the PhD level. It builds a strong foundation in the theory of Law and Economics, so it is ideal



for students aiming to pursue their academic career.

We realise, however, that not every LLM in Law and Economics student will continuing on to PhD research. Therefore, the new LLM in Law and Economics programme will include a number of practical and knowledge transfer components that will allow a better transition to work outside the higher education sector. Students will, for example, have the opportunity to engage in an academic year-long Investment Club. During this time, students will be gaining hands on experience in trading and portfolio analysis along side their studies.

## What Will You Be Expected to Achieve?

Students who successfully complete the programme will be able to pursue their academic career on to PhD research in either Economics or Law as well as work at a senior level in law firms, economic think-tanks, the financial industry, governmental bodies and consultancy firms.

Academic Content:						
A 1	Demonstrate knowledge of a substantial range of major concepts, values, principles and rules of domestic and international legal environment within which the economy operates and how this environment affects economic activities					
A2	Explain the legal framework (laws and procedures) that govern economic systems.					
А3	Demonstrate the study in depth in context of economic systems					

Disciplinary Skills - able to:						
В1	Students should demonstrate an ability to apply knowledge to a situation of legal and economic complexity.					
В2	Master the legal and economic disciplines, for example, to be able to do a cost benefit analysis of the law					
В3	Read and discuss legal and economic materials which are written in technical and complex language, mastering two different albeit related disciplines					
В4	Bring together information and materials from a variety of different sources					

Attributes:						
C1	Work to tight deadlines in the process of carrying out projects involving complex interdisciplinary analysis					
C2	Work as part of a team to undertake the completion of projects involving complex indisciplinary analysis					
С3	Understand the value of the ethical behaviour when working in such a delicate and important area					

#### **How Will You Learn?**

A range of Teaching and Learning techniques will be used, tailored to the learning outcomes of the different modules. These will include lectures, directed readings, practical and library-based research, presentations, group work and knowledge transfer activities. Individual module forms list further details of teaching and learning procedures. In particular, activities such as group



Programme Title: LLM in Law and Economics presentation the provide students with the necessary experience of coordinating and participating in collaborative work. How Will You Be Assessed? A wide range of assessment techniques will also be used. These will include technical exercises, critiques of and extended written analyses of primary and secondary sources including case-law and data. Individual module proposal forms list further details of assessment practices. How is the Programme Structured? Please specify the full time and part time programme diets (if appropriate). The LLM in Law and Economics will be a single programme that contains a two sub-programme level pathways: a Jurisprudence pathway and an Economics pathway. The pathway structure is intended to capitalize on the specializations and strengths of the departments and reflect the fact that many incoming students will already have background experience and probably a chosen area in which they wish to specialize. At the same time, we also want to emphasize the importance of developing crossdisciplinary knowledge. The pathways will differ in the first part of the core theory and methods training (i.e. Law and Economics I, which is tailored as Law and economics I (for lawyers) and Law and economics I (for economists)); but it will be possible for students to take optional modules from either subject area, and the core modules of one pathway will be open to students of the other pathway to be audited. Two components are shared by both pathways (i.e. Law and Economics II and the dissertation). This structure allows for an integrated programme in Law and Economics that provides both broad-based instruction in the disciplines as a whole, but also allows students to specialise in a particular sub-field if they choose. Because there is only one programme but two different pathways through it, only those module that will be taken by ALL students are COMPULSORY (with the dissertation as CORE). From the programme perspective, all other modules are ELECTIVE. We also set pre-requisites on the Dissertation module, which have to combine elements of both disciplines. Given the above, the programme will have the following pathway structure (all modules are at level 7): Jurisprudence Pathway: Pre-sessional course in mathematics and statistics (OPTIONAL) Pre-sessional course in law (OPTIONAL) Compulsory Modules (90 credits) CCLE016 Dissertation (45 credits) Semester One CCLE001 Law and Economics I (for Lawyers) (22.5 credits) Semester Two CCLE003 Law and Economics II (22.5 credits)

Optional Modules (90 credits)



A further 90 credits from the optional law and/or economics modules:

- 90 law credits. Or,
- 90 economics credits. Or,
- Combination of 45 credits in law and 45 credits in economics modules

#### **Economics Pathway:**

- Pre-sessional course in mathematics and statistics (OPTIONAL)
- Pre-sessional course in law (OPTIONAL)

#### Compulsory Modules (90 credits)

CCLE016 Dissertation (45 credits)

#### Semester One

CCLE002 Law and Economics I (for Economists) (22.5 credits)

#### Semester Two

CCLE003 Law and Economics II (22.5 credits)

#### Optional Modules (90 credits)

A further 90 credits from the optional law and/or economics modules:

- 90 law credits. Or,
- 90 economics credits. Or,
- Combination of 45 credits in law and 45 credits in economics modules.

The electives offered in a particular year will be drawn from the following list. Please note that this list is representative, though not exhaustive and not all options will be available every year.

#### FLECTIVE MODULES

#### SEMESTER ONE

#### Economics

ECOM001 Macroeconomics A (15 credits)

ECOM002 Microeconomics A (15 credits)

ECOM003 Econometrics A (15 credits)

ECOM053 Quantitative Methods in Finance (15 credits)

#### Law

QLLM150 Strategic Decision Making for Lawyers (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM155 Principles of Regulation (22.5 credits)

QLLM164 Elements of Islamic Law (22.5 credits)

QLLM305 Cartels, Collusion and Competition law (22.5 credits)

QLLM307 Economics of Competition Law (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM328 Digital Intellectual Property Law (22.5 credits)

QLLM331 International Copyright: International Treaties and Cross-Border Litigation (22.5 credits)

QLLM332 Comparative Law of Patents and Trade Secrets (22.5 credits)

QLLM338 International and Comparative Law of Unfair Competition (22.5 credits)

QLLM340 Global Intellectual Property: Fundamental Principles (22.5 credits)

QLLM358 Cyberspace Law: Internet Jurisdiction & Dispute Resolution (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM359 Cyberspace Law: Protecting the Online Persona: Digital Rights in Cyberspace (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM360 Banking Law International (22.5 credits)

QLLM362 International Finance Law (22.5 credits)

QLLM364 Law and Finance in Emerging Economies (22.5 credits)

QLLM366 Regulation of Financial Markets (22.5 credits)

QLLM368 Corporate Rescue and Cross-border Insolvency (22.5 credits)(NOT RUNNING 18/19)



QLLM378 Securities Regulation (22.5 credits) (Not running 18/19)

QLLM413 E-Commerce Regulation (22.5 credits)

QLLM414 Competition IP and Innovation (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM409 European and International Telecommunications Law (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19)

QLLM370 WTO Law: Market Access and Non-Discrimination (22.5 credits) QLLM372 Corporate Finance Law (22.5 credits) QLLM374 Law and Ethics in Finance (22.5 credits) QLLM376 International Economic Law (22.5 credits) QLLM377 EU Financial and Monetary Law (22.5 credits) QLLM392 International Commercial Arbitration (22.5 credits) QLLM408 Telecommunications Policy Law and Practice (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19) QLLM412 E-Commerce Transactions (22.5 credits) QLLM424 International Tax Law (22.5 credits) QLLM461 International Competition Law (22.5 credits) QLLM463 European Union Competition Law 1 (22.5 credits) QLLM465 International Merger Control 1 (22.5 credits) QLLM480 Compliance Systems in Practice (22.5 credits) CCLE021 International Macroeconomics for Lawyers (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19) CCLE030 Accounting for Lawyers (22.5 credits) CCLE033 Risk Management in law (22.5 credits) SEMESTER TWO **Economics** ECOM009 Macroeconomics B (15 credits) ECOM010 Microeconomics B (15 credits) ECOM027 Labour Economics (15 credits) ECOM032 Econometrics B (15 credits) ECOM035 International Finance (15 credits) ECOM038 Behavioural Finance (15 credits) ECOM058 Principles of Accounting (15 credits) ECOM095 Mergers and Acquisitions (15 credits) ECOM098 Islamic Finance in Practice (15 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19) ECOM108 Applied Econometrics (Macro and Finance) ECOM136 Project Finance (15 credits) (ADD) ECOM137 China and Global Financial Markets (15 credits) (ADD) Law OLLM165 Islamic Finance and Commercial Law (22.5 credits) QLLM306 Competition Enforcement: From Investigation to Sanctions (22.5 credits) QLLM310 Compliance in the Global Markets (22.5 credits) QLLM329 Information Technology Transactions (22.5 credits) QLLM330 Comparative Copyright Law (22.5 credits) QLLM333 International Law of Patents and Related Rights (22.5 credits) QLLM339 The Law of Registered Trade Marks (22.5 credits) QLLM341 Global Intellectual Property: Technology and Policy (22.5 credits) QLLM361 Banking Law (22.5 credits) QLLM363 International Finance Law Applied (22.5 credits) QLLM365 Legal Aspects of Financing Development (22.5 credits) QLLM367 International Financial Regulation (22.5 credits) QLLM369 Financial Distress and Debt Restructuring (22.5 credits) (NOT RUNNING 18/19) QLLM371 WTO Law: Trade Remedies and Regulatory Issues (22.5 credits) QLLM373 Mergers and Acquisitions (22.5 credits) QLLM375 Corporate Governance and Responsibility in Finance (22.5 credits)



QLLM425 International Tax Law: Advanced Topics (22.5 credits)

QLLM462 Comparative Competition Law (22.5 credits)

QLLM464 European Union Competition Law 2 (22.5 credits)

QLLM466 International Merger Control 2 (22.5 credits)

CCLE031 Derivatives in the Legal Context (22.5 credits)

Students who want to review concepts such as statistical distributions and matrix algebra have the option to attend modules during induction week (week zero) and week one of the first term within the SEF. Students will be also presented with basic statistics and statistical software during the first term.

## Academic Year of Study

Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Law and Economics I (for Lawyers)	CCLE001	22.5	7	Compulsory	1	Semester 1
Law and Economics I (for Economists)	CCLE002	22.5	7	Compulsory	1	Semester 1
Law and Economics II	CCLE003	22.5	7	Compulsory	1	Semester 2
Macroeconomics A	ECOM001	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Microeconomics A	ECOM002	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Econometrics A	ECOM003	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Quantitative Methods in Finance	ECOM053	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Macroeconomics B	ECOM009	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Labour Economics	ECOM027	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Econometrics B	ECOM032	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Finance	ECOM035	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Behavioural Finance	ECOM038	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Valuation of Private Equity	ECOM077	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2



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Islamic Finance in Practice	ECOM098	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Dissertation (15,000 words)	CCLE016	45	7	Compulsory	1	Semesters 1-3
Strategic Decision Making for Lawyers	QLLM150	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Principles of Regulation	QLLM155	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Elements of Islamic Law	QLLM164	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Cartels, Collusion and Competition law	QLLM305	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Accounting for Lawyers	CCLE030	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Economics of Competition Law	QLLM307	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Macroeconomics for Lawyers	CCLE021	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Islamic Finance and Commercial Law	QLLM165	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Competition Enforcement: From Investigation to Sanctions	QLLM306	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Compliance in the Global Markets	QLLM310	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Banking Law International	QLLM360	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Banking Law	QLLM361	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Digital Intellectual Property Law	QLLM328	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Information Technology Transactions	QLLM329	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
EU Financial and Monetary Law	QLLM377	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Comparative Law of Patents and Trade Secrets	QLLM332	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1



Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
International Law of Patents and Related Rights	QLLM333	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Economic Law	QLLM376	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Legal Aspects of Financing Development	QLLM365	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Finance Law	QLLM362	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Finance Law Applied	QLLM363	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Regulation of Financial Markets	QLLM366	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Financial Regulation	QLLM367	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Securities Regulation	QLLM378	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Cyberspace Law: Internet Jurisdiction & Dispute Resolution	QLLM358	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Cyberspace Law: Protecting the Online Persona: Digital Rights in Cyberspace	QLLM359	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Corporate Rescue and Cross-border Insolvency	QLLM368	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Financial Distress and Debt Restructuring	QLLM369	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
WTO Law: Market Access and Non- Discrimination	QLLM370	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
WTO Law: Trade Remedies and Regulatory Issues	QLLM371	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Corporate Finance Law	QLLM372	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Mergers and Acquisitions	QLLM373	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Law and Ethics in Finance	QLLM374	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Corporate Governance and Responsibility in Finance	QLLM375	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2



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The Law of Registered Trade Marks	QLLM339	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Global Intellectual Property: Fundamental Principles	QLLM340	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Global Intellectual Property: Technology and Policy	QLLM341	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Comparative Copyright Law	QLLM330	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Commercial Arbitration	QLLM392	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Copyright: International Treaties and Cross-Border Litigation	QLLM331	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Derivatives in the Legal Context	CCLE031	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Risk Management in law	CCLE033	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Mergers and Acquisitions	ECOM095	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Applied Econometrics (Macro and Finance)	ECOM108	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Microeconomics B	ECOM010	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Principles of Accounting	ECOM058	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Law and Finance in Emerging Economies	QLLM364	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International and Comparative Law of Unfair Competition	QLLM338	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
E-commerce Transactions	QLLM412	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Competition Law	QLLM461	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Merger Control 1	QLLM465	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
International Tax Law	QLLM424	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1



Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
European Union Competition Law 1	QLLM463	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Telecommunications Policy Law and Practice	QLLM408	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Competition IP and Innovation	QLLM414	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
European and International Telecommunications	QLLM409	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
E-commerce Regulation	QLLM413	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Tax Law: Advanced Topics	QLLM425	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Comparative Competition Law	QLLM462	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
European Union Competition Law 2	QLLM464	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
International Merger Control 2	QLLM466	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
Compliance Systems in Practice	QLLM480	22.5	7	Elective	1	Semester 1
Project Finance	ECOM136	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2
China and Global Financial Markets	ECOM137	15	7	Elective	1	Semester 2

## What Are the Entry Requirements?

The usual qualification for entry to the Diploma in Law and Economics programme is a degree in Law or Economics (Finance) or overseas equivalent, of at least 2.1 honours (or equivalent). Graduates with a good 2.2 honours who also have other legal qualifications and/or substantial professional legal experience may also qualify.

In all cases, a full online application is required in order for a fair assessment and decision to be made. Each application is considered on its merits and on sight of full application documents. A full and detailed CV is required for all applications and is particularly relevant where professional experience needs to be considered.

Non-native English speakers are required to have a minimum of IELTS 7 or equivalent.

#### How Do We Listen and Act on Your Feedback?

The Staff-Student Liaison Committee provides a formal means of communication and discussion between Schools and its students. The committee consists of student representatives from each year in the school/institute together with appropriate representation from staff within the school/institute. It is designed to respond to the needs of students, as well as act as a forum for discussing programme and module developments. Staff-Student Liaison Committees meet regularly throughout the year.



Each school operates a Learning and Teaching Committee, or equivalent, which advises the School/Institute Director of Taught Programmes on all matters relating to the delivery of taught programmes at school level including monitoring the application of relevant QM policies and reviewing all proposals for module and programme approval and amendment before submission to Taught Programmes Board. Student views are incorporated in this Committee's work in a number of ways, such as through student membership, or consideration of student surveys.

All schools operate an Annual Programme Review of their taught undergraduate and postgraduate provision. The process is normally organised at a School-level basis with the Head of School, or equivalent, responsible for the completion of the school's Annual Programme Reviews. Schools/institutes are required to produce a separate Annual Programme Review for undergraduate programmes and for postgraduate taught programmes using the relevant Undergraduate or Postgraduate Annual Programme Review pro-forma. Students' views are considered in this process through analysis of the NSS and module evaluations.

## **Academic Support**

Initial assessment of education and training needs for taught postgraduate students is carried out by the Programme Director(s) and the relevant administrative staff in charge of processing applications for the programme. Induction of new students is coordinated by the Postgraduate Studies administrator in the CCLS in coordination with individual programme convenors. An additional pre sessional induction session in mathematics and statistics will be held for taught postgraduate students in the first two week of the academic session.

All taught postgraduate students in the programme are assigned a personal advisor, who is the student's primary point of contact for both academic and welfare issues relating to the programme as a whole and the student's experience at Queen Mary. Advisors oversee the regular progress of advisees through the programme, and help coordinate any intervention that may be necessary between the advisee and other members of the School/College staff (including the School Chair of Examiners).

In addition to personal advisors, taught postgraduate students will be assigned supervisors for their dissertations during the second semester of the degree. Supervisors and supervisees will meet at least 3 times (the specifics of which are to be determined by the supervisor and the supervisee) to ensure sufficient progress is being made on the dissertation and that the submitted dissertation will be of a standard required for work at the Masters level.

In addition to pastoral and welfare services offered by the College, the CCLS and SEF maintain an extensive support network for all students in taught programmes, and students on the new programme will have full access to these. Details of the School's provision in this area can be found in the Handbooks for masters Students produced by CCLS and SEF.

### **Programme-specific Rules and Facts**

LLM regulations

## **Specific Support for Disabled Students**

Queen Mary has a central Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) that offers support for all students with disabilities, specific learning difficulties and mental health issues. The DDS supports all Queen Mary students: full-time, part-time, undergraduate, postgraduate, UK and international at all campuses and all sites.

Students can access advice, guidance and support in the following areas:

- Finding out if you have a specific learning difficulty like dyslexia
- Applying for funding through the Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)
- Arranging DSA assessments of need
- Special arrangements in examinations
- Accessing loaned equipment (e.g. digital recorders)
- Specialist one-to-one "study skills" tuition



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- Ensuring access to course materials in alternative formats (e.g. Braille)
- Providing educational support workers (e.g. note-takers, readers, library assistants)
- Mentoring support for students with mental health issues and conditions on the autistic spectrum.

## Links With Employers, Placement Opportunities and Transferable Skills

The course is intended to give postgraduate training to students wishing to pursue careers in the Economics Advisory Sector, Corporate Finance, Government, International Financial Institutions, the banking and finance industry or Academia. Demand for such professionals is high both in the UK, and in fast developing transitional economies such as China, India and others. This Programme aims at Integrating Careers programme offered by the Careers service with academic study.					
Programme Specification Approval					
Person completing Programme Specification	Kate Allen				
Person responsible for management of programme	Professor Rodrigo Olivares-Caminal & Dr Leon Vinokur				
Date Programme Specification produced/amended by School Learning and Teaching Committee					
Date Programme Specification approved by					

