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“You are now in a place where the best courses upon Earth are within your reach . . . such an opportunity you will never again have.”

Thomas Jefferson, American Founding Father and President (speaking to his son-in-law, Thomas Mann Randolph, as he began his studies at Edinburgh in 1786)

The University

Our proud history and alumni ambassadors

For more than 400 years our staff and students have been making their mark on the world. They've explored space, revolutionised surgery, won Nobel Prizes, published era-defining books, run the country, paved the way for life-saving breakthroughs and laid the foundations for solving the mysteries of the universe. By choosing further study or research at Edinburgh you will be joining a community of scholars who have been at the forefront of knowledge since 1583.

We are associated with 20 Nobel Prize winners, including physicists Peter Higgs, Charles Barkla and Max Born, medical researcher Peter Doherty, economist Sir James Mirrlees and biologist Sir Paul Nurse. Our distinguished alumni include NASA astronaut Piers Sellers, former MI5 Director-General Dame Stella Rimington, Olympians Sir Chris Hoy and Katherine Grainger and historical greats such as philosopher David Hume, physicist and mathematician James Clerk Maxwell, inventor Alexander Graham Bell and Sherlock Holmes creator Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Teaching and research excellence

We are consistently ranked as one of the world's top 50 universities. We are 17th in the 2014/15 QS World University Rankings. As host to more than 30,000 students from some 137 countries, studying across 100 academic disciplines, the University of Edinburgh continues to attract the world's greatest minds. In the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, 83 per cent of our research was judged world-leading or internationally excellent. We're ranked fourth in the UK for research power, based on the quality and breadth of our research. Our excellent teaching was also confirmed in the latest report from the Quality Assurance Agency, which awarded us the highest rating possible for the quality of the student learning experience.

Collaborations and international partnerships

As an internationally renowned centre of academic excellence, Edinburgh is the site of many world-class research collaborations. Our postgraduate students are crucial to our continued success and development and, along with our staff, they forge research links through regular travel and overseas exchanges. We take pride in our partnerships with other institutions such as the California Institute of Technology (Caltech), Stanford University, the University of Melbourne, Peking University, the University of Delhi

and the University of KwaZulu-Natal – to name but a few. We are a member of both the League of European Research Universities and the Coimbra Group, giving us strong links with leading European institutions from Barcelona to Berlin.

Linking research and commerce

Edinburgh was one of the first UK universities to actively develop commercial links with industry, government and the professions. Edinburgh Research and Innovation (ERI) has continued, for the past four decades, to develop the promotion and commercialisation of the University's research excellence. ERI assists our postgraduates in taking a first step to market, whether it is through collaborative research, licensing technology or providing consultancy services.

Enhancing your career

We're ranked 18th in the world for the employability of our graduates.* With one of the best track records for graduate employment in the Russell Group, we are committed to embedding employability into your teaching and learning experience. From offering access to volunteering schemes to providing support from our sector-leading Careers Service, the University provides myriad opportunities to develop your skills, knowledge and experience giving you the edge in a competitive job market.

An inspiring destination

Your first-class education will take place in one of Europe's most striking capital cities, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that is regularly voted one of the best places in the world to live. Edinburgh enjoys a solid reputation as a centre for innovation, whether as home to the 18th-century Scottish Enlightenment, as a modern source of pioneering science, medicine and technology, or as the host of the world's largest and longest-established arts festival. You couldn't ask for a more inspiring setting in which to further your knowledge and broaden your horizons.

Join us

Edinburgh offers unparalleled academic breadth and diversity, making it a vibrant, challenging and stimulating environment for postgraduate study. Whether you plan to change direction, enhance your existing career or develop in-depth knowledge of your area of study, the University of Edinburgh provides a world-class learning experience.

* Latest Emerging Global Employability University Rankings

WELCOME TO EDINBURGH LAW SCHOOL

Edinburgh Law School was established in 1707 with the inauguration of the Chair of Public Law and the Chair of Law of Nature and Nations. For more than 300 years we have been at the heart of legal education, research and scholarship.

Edinburgh Law School is an international – and in particular, European – law school, rooted in the open, civic-minded and interdisciplinary traditions of Scots law. Our ambition is to build a vibrant community of world-leading educators and researchers who set a scholarly agenda that inspires civic change locally as well as globally.

World-leading research

Edinburgh Law School was ranked first in Scotland and fourth in the UK, in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, for the breadth and quality of our research. Overall, 77 per cent of our research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent.

We have a strong international reputation for high-quality research and for contributing to tangible changes arising from that research. Our people produce an extraordinary range of scholarly and policy-oriented publications and they shape legal, policy, and social changes in Scotland, Europe and beyond.

Enlightened scholarship

Our excellence in research is reflected throughout our teaching. Our programmes are all research led with real-world relevance, meaning whichever path of study you choose, you can be confident that the material taught is drawn from the most up-to-date research available.

At the heart of the city

Edinburgh Law School is based in the city centre, a stone's throw from many of Edinburgh's famous attractions. You'll also find we're in the heart of the legal community, a short stroll away from the Sheriff and Crown Courts and the Scottish Parliament.

Career success

Our programmes deliver the latest developments in your chosen field but you'll also benefit from our exceptional professional and research links to ensure you have access to knowledge and opportunities that will help you pursue your career goals. Our specialist law careers adviser can also help prepare you for your next steps after masters study.

Top 30

Edinburgh Law School is ranked 27th in the world*.

*2015 QS World University Rankings by Subject Area.

Facilities and resources

Postgraduates at Edinburgh can take advantage of a wealth of facilities and resources to support their studies.

Libraries

Our renowned library is the lifeblood of our School, where you'll not only find a large collection of books, journals and reference materials but study space too. It also houses the library of the Europa Institute, an outstanding European Documentation Centre holding an extensive collection of legal, criminological and European materials. Postgraduates have access to all University libraries including the Main Library, which has one of the largest and most important collections in Britain, and you can also use the National Library of Scotland – a national facility located a short walk from Old College.

IT support

Postgraduate students have extensive, free access to online legal research facilities, including LexisNexis, Westlaw and electronic journals. You will have easy access to all the computing facilities in the Central Area campus as well as in the University's Main Library, where a laptop loan system is also provided.

Events

The School hosts an active programme of events, including public lectures and conferences that regularly attract high-profile speakers from the legal profession and from international legal academics. We also run numerous workshops, seminars and discussion groups. We encourage our postgraduate students to attend and get involved with these sessions.

Office space

We provide dedicated office space and the necessary IT equipment for all PhD students.

Investing in the future

We are undertaking an ambitious project to refurbish facilities in our historic Old College home. During 2016 and 2017 the School and its library will relocate to David Hume Tower (see Campus map, page 32) in the Central Area campus, where the bulk of law, humanities and social sciences teaching takes place. Find out more at: www.oldcollegeredevelopment.law.ed.ac.uk

Collections of the University

The University's collections are unique in their depth and diversity. Managed by the Centre for Research Collections, and housed in our Main Library at the heart of our central campus, they span more than 500,000 rare books, scientific and cultural artefacts from around the world, historically significant musical instrument collections, specialist museum collections, and manuscripts.

Highlights include the world's oldest surviving Gaelic text; a page from the final draft of Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species*, as well as two copies of the first edition; Adam Smith's original library; Alexander Fleming's sample of mould used to make penicillin; original quartos of Shakespeare plays, with notes in the margins from 16th-century actors; the thermometer of chemist Joseph Black; and original Sir Isaac Newton diagrams in David Gregory manuscripts of 1692.

University archivists – with a broad spectrum of expertise – make it their priority to ensure these items are accessible by our students, researchers and staff.

“I decided to come to the University of Edinburgh because of the close contact I could have with some of the world's most important researchers in my area. I'm sure I couldn't learn as much anywhere else, because of the deep expertise in different themes.”

João Paulo Miranda, LLM in Global Environment & Climate Change Law

Community

By studying at Edinburgh Law School, you'll join a vibrant, active community of world-leading researchers, legal professionals and students at all stages of their education. You'll study in a supportive, inclusive and scholarly environment in which you can nurture your educational and professional development.

Broadening horizons

Our postgraduate community is made up of people from all backgrounds and levels of education, making it a diverse community in which to study. Students come to us from different disciplines, different cultures and with different career trajectories, guaranteeing you a learning experience to challenge perspectives and open up new horizons.

Expertise at hand

Our programmes, each run by a director with expertise in the relevant field, deliver research-led teaching. Courses available on all our programmes are constantly updated from the latest legal research, much of which comes from our own research communities.

Our research communities include:

- Edinburgh Centre for Private Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Constitutional Law
- Centre for Law and Society
- SCRIPT Centre in Technology Law
- the Europa Institute
- the Scottish Centre for International Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law
- the Centre for Legal History
- the Mason Institute for Medicine, Life Sciences and the Law
- the Global Justice Academy.

All our research communities attract visitors and speakers from around the world who lend their expertise to our postgraduate provision. For more information please see: www.law.ed.ac.uk/research

Reading groups

Reading groups related to our research fields meet on a regular basis to discuss the latest issues, papers and research outcomes. Run by members of the postgraduate community, these groups offer a valuable chance to network with students from different programmes and communities. The reading groups also organise regular workshops and seminars, bringing together members of postgraduate communities from Edinburgh and beyond.

Online distance learning

Online learners are immersed in a highly interactive, scholarly learning environment. Each individual brings a rich diversity of knowledge and experience, and draws on this when analysing, reflecting on and debating fundamental issues and topical developments in the law. Consequently, as our students engage and learn with each other and their tutors, they contribute to a dynamic community of learning characterised by intellectual stimulation and supportive collaboration between peers.

Postgraduate Committee

Our Postgraduate Committee has been established to give our students the chance to liaise with staff and coordinate student research and teaching activities in relation to their programmes. A representative from each postgraduate programme sits on the committee, which makes a valuable contribution to the collegiality of the School's communities.

Edinburgh Student Law Review

The *Edinburgh Student Law Review* is the first publication of its kind in Scotland. Managed and written entirely by the School's student body, this annual journal provides a forum for law students to engage in a more analytical approach to the subject. Students from all levels and legal disciplines are encouraged to submit articles, case notes and updates for publication in the *Review*.

Connections for life

During your studies you can join Edinburgh Law Postgraduate Hub, a student-led group supported by the Law School, which organises events and activities to encourage postgraduates to get involved and get to know each other. Edinburgh Law Connections is another student-led community exclusively serving law postgraduates. It actively encourages networking between students and postgraduate alumni.

Employability and graduate attributes

Graduating with a postgraduate qualification in law from Edinburgh not only provides you with a world-class degree, highly desired by employers across the globe, but it also ensures that you have the skills needed to succeed in any career.

Research opportunities
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Many of our masters graduates go on to further study or research, but our degrees are also highly regarded in the private legal and commercial professions. Recent graduates have gone on to work as specialist advisers or researchers for international NGOs, law commissions, government agencies, private legal firms, police services and other public sector institutions.

We offer a range of activities and events designed to support you as you develop your career aims. Whether you have a firm plan or are still working out the direction you wish to take, there are plenty of opportunities to develop new skills and gain new experiences that will help you stand out in a competitive employment market.

Institute for Academic Development

All of our postgraduate students can benefit from the University's Institute for Academic Development (IAD), which provides information, events and courses to develop the skills you will need throughout your studies and in the future.

Further information is available online: www.ed.ac.uk/iad/postgraduates

For taught postgraduates, the IAD provides a growing range of tailored study-related and transferable skills workshops, plus online advice and learning resources. These are all designed to help you settle into postgraduate life, succeed during your studies, and move confidently to the next stage of your career.

The IAD also offers one of the longest-established researcher development training packages in the UK. Our experts will help you gain the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to move on to the next stage in your career, be that in academia or beyond.

The Institute provides research students with dedicated training in topics such as research management; personal effectiveness; communication skills; public engagement, networking and teamworking; leadership; and career management. You can gain expertise in information technology and presentation skills; confidence in undertaking independent and creative research; the ability to critically evaluate source materials; and the capacity to construct intellectually rigorous arguments. By developing these broader professional skills and qualities, our postgraduate students are always in high demand.

Careers Service

The University's award-winning Careers Service aims to expand the horizons of all our students, empowering you to make successful career decisions. It works closely with the University's Employability Consultancy to support students to take advantage of every opportunity to enhance your employability while studying.

The Service provides specialist support for postgraduate students to help with career planning and decision making. Its team of friendly experts can support you to explore different career options, identify your skills and what you want out of a career, think about effective job search strategies, and prepare for job applications and interviews.

The Service has a team dedicated to developing our already strong links with employers from all industries and employment sectors; from the world's top recruiters to small enterprises based here in Edinburgh. The team provides a programme of opportunities for students to meet employers on campus and virtually, and advertises a wide range of part-time and graduate jobs.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers/postgrad

Connect.ed

Edinburgh encourages its alumni to stay in touch with current students who are interested in a similar career path. Connect.ed is a networking system run by the Careers Service that provides a confidential opportunity for alumni to share their occupational knowledge and experience with current students, who can contact them for advice and guidance on their future career.

More information: www.ed.ac.uk/careers/connected

Backing bright ideas

LAUNCH.ed is the University's award-winning programme for student entrepreneurs. Each year, LAUNCH.ed works with hundreds of students to assess their ideas and develop their business skills and helps many start their businesses. We have helped Edinburgh students and alumni launch almost 100 new businesses in the last three years, ranging from language tuition to robotics companies.

More information: www.LAUNCH.ed.ac.uk

Combining career and study

Many of our postgraduate students may be seeking further study to enhance an existing career and we offer a range of online distance learning programmes to enable students to further their studies, while balancing work or other commitments.

Graduates of our online distance learning programmes flourish in a range of careers in law and related legal fields, including work in local and international firms, government legal departments, other public institutions, international organisations and academia. The programmes are also an ideal platform for advanced research.

Online distance learning programmes are listed from page 20.



On-campus taught masters programmes

We offer one of the widest ranges of legal masters programmes in the UK. All our programmes can be taken either full time or part time* and offer you the opportunity either to specialise or to pursue a broader perspective on law.

Both compulsory and option courses on our masters programmes are taught in a seminar style, regularly with fewer than 30 students to a class. Most of our programmes are assessed through written assignment and all have a dissertation component, written on a topic of your choice with support and guidance from the Programme Director.

While we endeavour to run our programmes as advertised, we cannot guarantee that all option courses will run in any given year. If there are courses or areas of study that are central to your choice of Edinburgh then please contact the Postgraduate Office, and we will advise what the best option for you might be.

Email: pg.law.enquiries@ed.ac.uk

We offer 17 taught, on-campus masters programmes but are always looking to develop new opportunities for our postgraduate community. You'll find the most up-to-date information on new and developing programmes of study on our website. We also offer eight taught masters programmes by online distance learning (see page 20), three LLM by Research programmes (see page 18) and research opportunities, including the PhD (see page 26).

More information: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Tips for applying

All applications to postgraduate study are made online (see page 30 for more information). We recommend you apply as early as possible. This is particularly important for students who may receive a conditional offer (for example you may need to allow sufficient time to take an English language test or complete your undergraduate study) and for overseas students who may need time to satisfy necessary visa requirements.

* Part-time study available for UK and EU students only

Best in class

Edinburgh Law School was ranked the best in Scotland in *The Times* 2015 law school table.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/161

Commercial Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme provides a prestigious qualification and an excellent grounding for the future study of commercial law, for those intending to enter legal practice, or for those intending to pursue a career in the commercial world. It provides the opportunity to explore a wide range of subjects at an advanced level and study the law in its commercial context. On this programme you will benefit from connections to the legal profession and professional networks of the Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. The courses that you take will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. For the dissertation you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES

May include: *Company Law; EU Competition Law; Practice of International Banking and the Law; Regulation of International Finance: the Law, the Economics, the Politics; Delict and Tort; International Commercial Arbitration; The Law Relating to Debt; Corporate Social Responsibility and the Law; European Law of Capital Markets.*

Students can also take part in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot which will be counted as a 40-credit course.

Please note there are no compulsory courses for this programme.

Career opportunities

This programme is for individuals seeking to start or develop careers in the fields of commercial law, business or finance.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a law degree who can demonstrate high achievement in commercial law subjects at degree level and/or relevant professional work experience may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Contact

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You may also be interested in: International Commercial Law & Practice by online distance learning (see page 22).

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/684

Comparative & European Private Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme offers a qualification that combines considerable academic interest with professional utility. It provides a comparative insight into both the modern development of the key areas of private law, and also the dynamics of European harmonisation initiatives. It is particularly suited to those who have studied a range of private law subjects at undergraduate level, although it is also open to those whose undergraduate law degree has combined other specialisations.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. Courses will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. You will have a dissertation supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES

Students typically take 80 credits worth of advanced courses on a range of topics, which may include: *Contract Law in Europe; Comparative Property Law; Delict and Tort; Private Law; Comparative and International Trust Law; Unjustified Enrichment and Restitution.*

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This intellectually demanding LLM is an excellent preparation for further research leading to an academic career in law. It is also suitable for practising lawyers who wish to deepen their knowledge and understanding.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in arts, law or social science, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Contact

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/787

Corporate Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

The LLM in Corporate Law is an innovative programme that aims to transcend a narrow focus on legal rules and situate the study of corporate law in a wider interdisciplinary and comparative framework.

The unique portfolio of courses offered by the programme allows you to acquire in-depth knowledge of legal, economic, financial and comparative matters covering the entire life-cycle of a corporation.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. Courses will be taught by seminars, led by members of the Law School academic community and by experienced legal and business practitioners. In some courses you will be required to deliver individual or group presentations. Entry to some courses depends upon you having studied the relevant topic at undergraduate level. You will also undertake a dissertation under the supervision of an academic member of staff.

COURSES

Students typically study two compulsory courses worth 40 credits, exploring *Corporation Law and Economics*; and *Comparative Corporate Governance*. Students select two further corporate law courses from a broad range, covering topics like: *Company Law; Corporate Finance; International Banking; International Finance Regulation; Competition Law for Innovation; International Tax Law; Corporate Social Responsibility; Insurance Law and Comparative and International Trust Law.*

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme is for individuals seeking to start or develop careers in the fields of corporate law, business or finance.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a law degree who can demonstrate high achievement in corporate law subjects at degree level and/or relevant professional work experience may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/772

Criminal Law & Criminal Justice

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme will provide you with an advanced understanding of contemporary debates in criminal law and criminal justice. It is suitable for students who have studied law at undergraduate level and wish to develop their understanding of criminal justice in particular. It prepares you for further work in this area, whether professional or academic.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. Courses will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. Courses are assessed primarily by way of essay and other written work, but oral presentations may also be required.

COURSES

Students typically take 40 credits worth of criminal law courses and 40 credits worth of criminal justice courses. Criminal law courses include topics like: *International Criminal Law*; *Organised Crime*; *Sexual Offending*; *Criminalisation*; and *Philosophical Foundations of Criminal Law*.

Criminal justice courses span a fascinating range of topics, such as: *Penal Process*; *Penal Politics*; *Global Crime and Insecurity*; and *Mental Health*.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme prepares students for further work in the field of criminal law and criminal justice, whether professional or academic.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, arts or social science, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

For funding information see also page 28.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/162

Criminology & Criminal Justice

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme provides an excellent path to the advanced study of criminology. The MSc is suitable both for those who have studied criminology at undergraduate level and for those who are new to the subject.

All members of teaching staff are active researchers and you will learn about and engage with the latest criminological research. Our academics are interested in theoretical and empirical questions and the relations between them, and in local, global and comparative forms of criminology. Most importantly, we are interested in research that makes a difference to the world (see case study on page 27: Transforming youth justice policy and practice). Our staff have excellent links with international scholars and local practitioners so there will be ample opportunities to draw from their insights and experience as part of our vibrant community of criminologists.

The programme prides itself on offering top-quality training in criminological research methods and the kinds of skills that are essential both for further study of criminology (we have a strong cohort of criminology PhD students, some recruited from the MSc) and for employment in the criminal justice field.

Programme structure

The learning process is seminar-based, involving guided reading, in-depth study of a range of essential topics and weekly seminars. Courses are assessed via a range of different and interesting assessment formats.

For the dissertation, you will have a supervisor from whom you will receive guidance and support. The dissertation allows to allow students to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES

Compulsory courses typically tackle topics such as: *Theoretical Criminology*; *Criminal Justice and the Penal Process*; *Global Crime and Insecurity*; *Criminological Research Methods*; and *Police and Policing*. Students can also select courses worth 40 credits from a list of options, which may include topics such as: *Cybercrime*; *Gender, Crime and Criminal Justice*; *Mental Health and Crime*; *Inferential Statistics*; *Surveillance and Security*. Students may also have the opportunity to take one 20-credit course outside the Law School at the Programme Director's discretion.

Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

Graduates from this MSc have gone on to a wide range of careers, including working with offenders and victims, for various agencies including police, prisons/correctional services, and governmental and non-governmental agencies. Many have gone on to careers as academics or criminology researchers.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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“Studying at Edinburgh Law School means you meet experts in the field. I would recommend Edinburgh, especially for those who are interested in studying criminology and criminal justice – you can benefit a lot from the vibrant academic atmosphere here.”

Yi You, PhD in Criminology & Criminal Justice

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/163

European Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

EU law is a complex and fascinating subject that weighs ever more heavily on policymaking in the UK, Europe and internationally, which is why in-depth knowledge of European law is vital to any legal career.

At Edinburgh, we take an interdisciplinary approach. You'll combine study of the law and legal systems of the EU with courses on both policy implications and applied economics. You'll also benefit from our links with legal practitioners and policymakers who are working at the highest levels of the development of EU law, so you will benefit from first-hand knowledge of what is happening in the field right now.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. Courses will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed.

COURSES

The bulk of courses, 80 credits worth, will typically cover topics such as: *EU Competition Law*; *EU Constitutional Law*; *European Environmental Law*; *Human Rights*; *European Labour Law*; *EU Fundamental Rights Law*; *Internal Market Law*; *Competition and Intellectual Property Law*.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

The LLM in European Law is not only for law graduates who plan to develop a career in the field of EU law, but also for law students or practising lawyers looking to gain a competitive edge in the employment market more generally within law, business or policymaking. Many graduates develop dynamic careers working in Brussels, home of the European Commission.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a legal background but who have studied the EU extensively through another field, such as politics, economics or public administration, may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

This programme is particularly suited to those who have already studied European law and institutions at undergraduate level. Applicants who have not done so may be assigned extra reading in order to bring them up to speed with the course syllabus.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

For funding information see also page 28.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/621

Global Crime, Justice & Security

MSc 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU)

Programme description

This programme provides an excellent path to the advanced study of new global developments in the field of crime, criminal law, justice and security. The MSc is suitable both for students familiar with law, politics or criminology from undergraduate study and for those who are new to these subjects.

The programme draws on a range of research active staff and teaching is research-informed. Two courses introduce you to different forms and contexts of global crime and how we respond to these.

Knowledge and understanding gained from core components complement specialist options in areas such as policing, cyber-crime, international law, migration, and criminal justice policy. Students intending to go on to doctoral study will be guided to appropriate research skills training.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. The courses that you take will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed.

COURSES

The compulsory course covers *Global Crime and Insecurity*. Students choose the remaining 80 credits from courses offered by the School of Law and the School of Social & Political Science. Courses on offer cover topics such as: *Theoretical Criminology*; *Surveillance and Security*; *International Criminal Law*; *Human Rights*; *Organised Crime*; *Research Skills*; *Anthropology of Violence*; *Globalisation*; *Governing Mineral Extraction in Africa*; *The European Union*; *The Middle East in International Relations*; *Global Politics of Sex and Gender*; *Genocide*; *International Security*; *Political Islam in the Middle East*; *Social Network Analysis*; *Migration in Europe*; *War and Morality*; and others.

Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

Our graduates have found employment in a range of settings including commercial security consultancy and management, banking and anti-money laundering work, research, and civil service and third sector roles. Those with existing professional experience have been promoted in their roles. Other previous students have gone on to further professional or academic study in crime-related fields.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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Global Environment & Climate Change Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme is designed to equip you with an advanced, multidisciplinary knowledge of the legal issues and techniques related to environmental protection and the management of natural resources, with special emphasis on climate change.

The programme enables you to analyse and evaluate the historic and ongoing development of international, European and national law for environmental protection, the interrelations between these different levels of law-making, as well as the interactions between environmental law and other areas of law. It will also allow you to choose option courses complementing your legal studies with an analysis of the scientific and socioeconomic aspects of environmental protection.

This programme is affiliated with the University's Global Environment & Society Academy: www.ed.ac.uk/global-environment-society

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. The learning process is didactic and research-focused. The courses that you take will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. Courses are usually assessed by essays and other coursework such as problem-based exercises.

COURSES

Students take a compulsory course in *International Environmental Law* (worth 40 credits).

Students choose courses worth 40 credits from a list of options, which typically cover topics such as: *European Environmental Law*; *International Climate Negotiations*; *International Law of the Sea*; *Biotechnology*; *Governance of Water Resources*.

A further 40 credits can be chosen from the Law School of from a pool of specially chosen courses offered by the Schools of GeoSciences and Social and Political Science.

Career opportunities

The Global Environment & Climate Change Law programme has been designed as a gateway to becoming specialised legal drafters, government advisers, international negotiators, legal advisers to private companies and NGOs, international civil servants, specialised researchers in academic and think-tank institutions and independent consultants. Teaching staff will be available to support students in identifying internship opportunities in international and non-governmental organisations, academia and think tanks.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, environmental studies or policy, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Candidates with other degrees may also apply if they have accrued work experience related to environmental law, policy or management.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Human Rights

LLM 1 yr FT

Programme description

As a field of academic study, human rights cuts across a wide variety of disciplines. It sits at the heart of law, political science, theology and history.

This programme is designed to provide you with a theoretical and practical understanding of international human rights law in its broader political context, with a particular emphasis on the relationship between human rights and conflict resolution. It offers the possibility of exploring the role of human rights globally and the international and domestic machinery that promotes and enforces rights. You can also focus on how academic debates connect to the practice of human rights.

The University is home to four closely cooperating global academies (www.ed.ac.uk/about/edinburgh-global/academies/home) in the areas of justice, health, development and environment and society, which together address crucial global challenges that span the ambit of civil, political, social, economic and cultural rights. The Academies' structure offers a year of surrounding events and activities, which can act as a supplement to learning and creates a unique academic space for learning about human rights. Our strength of research in these areas means that it can offer a unique programme in human rights with a particular focus on issues of conflict resolution.

You'll also have the exciting opportunity to apply to our work-based placement scheme as an alternative to the written dissertation.

Programme structure

You will be required to complete 180 credits of study which includes a dissertation or participation in the placement scheme (60 credits) to be submitted at the end of your studies.

COURSES

Students take a compulsory 20-credit course in *International Human Rights Law*. A further 100 credits can be earned from an exceptional choice of courses spanning a range of topics from children's rights to genocide or from EU constitutional law to international security (subject to availability).

Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

The LLM in Human Rights offers ideal preparation for a range of employment opportunities and specialised academic work, which may include: government legal advice, international governmental and non-governmental organisations, private legal practice, advocacy work in a range of advocacy organisations or human rights consultancy.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, arts or social science, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a law background must have some high-level academic study in international relations and demonstrate an interest in the field through professional or voluntary work.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Innovation, Technology & the Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme aims to promote advanced knowledge and understanding of the relationships between law, technology, commerce and society in the widest possible sense. It explores the role of law in responding to, regulating and promoting new and emerging technologies, and also emphasises the role of technology in supporting and guiding legal and judicial processes.

The focus of the programme is on the international nature of the subject matter and each course offers a comparative analysis of current legal developments.

Programme structure

The learning process is didactic, seminar-based and research-focused. You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include the options listed below. Courses are usually assessed by essays and other coursework such as problem-based exercises.

COURSES

Students choose 80 credits worth of courses from an exceptional range, spanning topics that include: *Intellectual Property; Robotics; Risk, Society and Regulatory Frameworks; Biotechnology; Data Protection; Law and New Technologies; eCommerce*; and more.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme is suitable for lawyers who want to develop specialisms in technology or communications law or for anyone working within fields related to data or technology who would benefit from in-depth study of related legal issues.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants will need to demonstrate aptitude for IT-related study through either academic qualifications or professional experience.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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You may also be interested in LLM Innovation, Technology & the Law by online distance learning (see page 21).

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Intellectual Property Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme is designed to equip you with an advanced knowledge and understanding of intellectual property law within an international, European and domestic (UK) setting.

The core subjects of the programme cover both substantive intellectual property law and the place and role of intellectual property, not just in its legal context but also in its social, ethical, cultural and commercial contexts. The programme spans patents, copyright, trade marks, designs, database rights, breach of confidence, passing off and sui generis rights, as well as investigating a range of issues which underpin contemporary intellectual property law and policy.

Programme structure

You must complete 120 credits of taught study, of which 80 credits must be taken from our compulsory intellectual property courses. The remaining 40 credits can be taken from across any of the other LLM courses offered by Edinburgh Law School, allowing you to tailor your overall programme of study to suit your particular interests.

The learning process is seminar-based and research-focused. Courses are usually assessed by essays and, in some instances, additional coursework. You are also required to design and write an approved 10,000-word dissertation in an area of your own choosing in intellectual property law.

COURSES

At least 80 credits must be taken from our compulsory intellectual property courses. Those on offer each year will vary but may include: *Intellectual Property 1: Copyright and Related Rights; Intellectual Property 2: Industrial Property; International Intellectual Property System; Intellectual Property – Law and Society; Managing Intellectual Property; Regulation of Innovation: Advanced Issues in Competition and Intellectual Property Law*.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme provides excellent preparation for anyone seeking to work in intellectual property in a legal, business, industry or academic setting.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, arts or social science, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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International Banking Law & Finance

LLM 1 yr FT

Programme description

The legal and regulatory infrastructure and fundamental theoretical concepts underpinning global finance have undergone fundamental rethinking since 2008.

Recent reforms try to identify the appropriate means to make global financial markets safe again, eliminating the need for future bank bail-outs. As a result, practising in this area has become more challenging for lawyers, bankers, accountants, and regulators. The pursuit of a successful career in today's global markets requires an extensive and in-depth understanding of complex and sophisticated global and domestic finance regulations, of the law and practice of international banking, and of the law and practice of corporate finance. In addition it requires a solid understanding of economic theories supporting the operation of global finance.

A degree in International Banking Law & Finance has become an essential requirement for those who wish to work in the legal, accounting and banking industries, as well as those who aspire to a successful career with regulatory authorities, central banks, and other public sector and international organisations.

This highly specialised programme is aimed at future leaders in the field of banking law and finance.

Programme structure

Based on Edinburgh's strong law and finance expertise, the programme offers an interdisciplinary study of the legal and economic aspects of international banking and corporate finance, and of global finance regulation. It also uses examples from practice to further your understanding of structural and drafting aspects of international banking and corporate finance transactions.

The programme focuses on:

- interdisciplinary analysis of the regulatory structures underpinning international finance in the UK, the EU, US and Asia;
- the key role played by private law infrastructure and attendant documentation in underpinning global financial transactions; and
- lawyers' roles in structuring cross-border banking and corporate finance transactions.

COURSES

Currently running three compulsory courses: *Regulation of International Finance: The Law, the Economics, the Politics*; *Practice of Corporate Finance and the Law*; *Practice of International Banking and the Law*.

Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

Potential career paths include banks, law firms, regulatory agencies, central banks, public organisations, asset management, compliance and accountants.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, finance, accounting, management or business studies, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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International Economic Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Since the establishment of the Bretton Woods System in the aftermath of the Second World War, we have seen an extraordinary evolution of international economic relations towards interdependence and integration. Discussions on this process, known as economic globalisation, are commonplace. This programme seeks to provide you with in-depth knowledge and critical understanding of the institutions, rules and principles of the international economic system, as well as of key legal and policy issues arising from the globalisation of the world economy.

Programme structure

The programme structure is designed to ensure that you gain a thorough knowledge and critical understanding of the core branches of international economic law through the compulsory courses, while allowing for an individually tailored selection of option courses, depending on your personal interests and future career plans.

The learning process is didactic, seminar-based and research-focused. The courses will be taught by seminar, and you are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. Courses are usually assessed by essays and other methods such as problem-based exercises and oral presentations.

You are also required to design and write an approved 10,000-word dissertation in an area of international economic law. For the dissertation, you will have a supervisor from whom you can expect guidance and support, but the purpose of the dissertation is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES

Students take two compulsory courses, worth 60 credits, covering: *World Trade Organization Law* and *International Investment Law*.

A further 20-credit course is selected from a pool of programme-related options covering topics that may include: *International Trade*; *Finance Regulation*; *International Law*; *Climate Change*; *International Commercial Arbitration*; *International Intellectual Property System*; *International Tax Law*; and *Corporate Social Responsibility*.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme is suitable for lawyers wishing to practise international law professionally, whether in law firms or at the bar, or as legal advisers in foreign ministries, other government departments, international organisations, or NGOs. It may also be of value to anyone seeking to develop a career in diplomacy or international relations.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a law degree who can demonstrate high achievement in international economic law subjects at degree level and/or relevant professional work experience may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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International Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme is for students who wish to specialise in public international law. It offers advanced courses in a range of specialist subjects, as well as foundation courses in the fundamentals of the international legal system and international relations.

Programme structure

You must complete 180 credits of study – 60 credits are taken in the compulsory dissertation and the remaining 120 credits are taken in taught courses which include options listed below. Courses will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed.

For the dissertation, you will be allocated a supervisor, who will provide guidance and support. The purpose of the dissertation however, is to allow you to independently design and conduct a piece of research and analysis.

COURSES

Students take 80 credits from an extensive list of courses, covering topics that may include: *Environment Law*; *International Criminal Law*; *Human Rights*; *World Trade Organization Law*; *Mooting*; *Marine Law*; *Diplomatic Law*; *Investment Law* and more.

The remaining 40 credits can be taken from the wider pool of LLM courses offered by the Law School. Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme is suitable for lawyers wishing to practise international law professionally, whether in law firms or at the bar, or as legal advisers in foreign ministries, other government departments, international organisations, or NGOs. It may also be of value to anyone seeking to develop a career in diplomacy or international relations.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, international relations, international politics, or history, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Law

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This general LLM programme is the ideal choice for students wishing to expose themselves to diverse areas of advanced legal scholarship. Edinburgh Law School offers a very wide range of specialist courses, many taught by internationally recognised experts in their fields. At present, key areas of research and teaching include: international law; commercial and corporate law; criminal law; international economic law; international banking and finance; medical ethics; criminology; intellectual property; information technology law; European law; private law; comparative law; human rights and public law. This allows students on the general LLM to take courses which make up a diverse and challenging curriculum and through which they will be able to develop a broad expertise in cutting-edge legal scholarship.

Programme structure

This programme is made up from 120 credits of taught courses and a 60-credit dissertation on an approved topic (generally one that builds upon one of the courses that you have studied with us). There are no core courses on the general LLM that all students have to take. Instead you may choose from the diverse range of specialist courses offered within the School (subject to the availability of places or whether courses are running in a given year). You may take a maximum of 60 credits in any one specialist area.

Courses are generally taught in seminars for which you will be expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. Seminars require active participation from all members of the class and are led by experts who are active researchers in the field.

For the dissertation, you will be allocated a supervisor, who will provide guidance and support. The purpose of the dissertation however, is to allow you to independently design and conduct an original piece of research and analysis.

Career opportunities

The LLM in Law is an excellent way to identify and develop a legal specialism for a career in legal practice or academic research.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, arts or social science or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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“Edinburgh is a wonderful place to live and being part of one of the world’s best universities is a great feeling. I decided to come here mainly because of Edinburgh’s international reputation, but also because you’re taught by leading scholars in the field of law.”

Firdavs Kabilov, LLM in International Law

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Law & Chinese

LLM 2 yrs FT

Programme description

You will receive advanced legal training in your chosen subjects, similar to that of a standard LLM programme in the Law School, and of a level that is required for further study in the Law. You will also achieve competence (in reading, writing and oral work) in Modern Standard Chinese (Mandarin) and a solid foundation in understanding contemporary Chinese society, culture and politics. The programme offers a unique and exciting opportunity for students to refine their Modern Standard Chinese skills through an Approved Residence Abroad where you will live and work in China as part of the programme.

Once on the programme it will be possible for you to study more specialised areas of law and, where appropriate, graduate with a named LLM degree in one of the following areas:

- Commercial Law & Chinese
- Intellectual Property Law & Chinese
- International Law & Chinese.

Programme structure

Courses will mainly be taught by seminars and in engaging tailored language classes. You are expected to actively participate in classes and will be provided with appropriate reading lists and course materials to allow you to prepare in advance. In Year 1 you will take 60 credits of law subjects, 80 credits of language training in Modern Standard Chinese and an additional 20 credits in Chinese culture and politics subjects. This will prepare you for the summer, and the first semester of Year 2, where you will hone your Chinese language skills at an institution in China. This part of the programme is coordinated by the Scottish Centre for Chinese Studies and you can contact them directly for further information. You will return to Edinburgh for the second semester of Year 2 where you will complete an additional 40 credits in law and an additional 40 credits in Chinese. Subject to satisfactory completion of the taught part of the programme, you will design and conduct an independent piece of legal research in the form of a dissertation in law. You will be allocated a specialist supervisor who will support you throughout the dissertation.

Career opportunities

This academically challenging programme offers a great opportunity to stand out in the job marketplace by providing a set of skills highly valued by global corporations. It may also pave the way for further research and a career in academia.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). The programme is not open to native speakers of Modern Standard Chinese. You do not need previous experience of studying Chinese as the programme supports beginners. If you have previous experience you may be able to take intermediate-level training. Candidates with experience will be considered on a case by case basis.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Medical Law & Ethics

LLM 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

Individual and population health is a matter of growing social concern. Achieving good health and delivering effective healthcare demands innovation. A variety of fields have a role to play, including law.

This programme examines topics that reflect some of the main contemporary legal and ethical challenges faced by those working in medicine, and places them in their social and historical context. These include issues that arise in the context of genetics, assisted reproduction, abortion, standards of medical treatment, transplantation medicine, mental health, advance decisions, assisted suicide, medical research, and the allocation of scarce resources. We offer you the opportunity to study the fundamentals of medical law and ethics, both international and domestic, at an advanced level, and the opportunity to take more specialised courses on issues of contemporary significance, encouraging and supporting the development of research skills necessary for a career in medical law or ethics.

The legal and ethical experts who deliver this programme come from a wide range of disciplines from across the University, and they benefit from a close association with the J Kenyon Mason Institute for Medicine, Life Sciences and Law.

Programme structure

You will take 180 credits in total including a 60-credit dissertation of 10,000 words maximum on an approved topic in medical law and ethics. Details of the compulsory and option courses are shown below. Courses will be taught by seminar. You are expected to prepare in advance by reading the required materials and reflecting on the issues to be discussed.

COURSES

Compulsory courses cover: *Medical Jurisprudence; Risk and Regulation in the Health Environment; Life Sciences and the Law and Society; and Medical Negligence.*

Students take up to 40 further credits from a broad range of options including one online course from the Online Distance Learning LLM Medical Law & Ethics (see page 24).

Full course information will become available in 2016. Visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk

Career opportunities

This programme can lead to a range of employment opportunities and specialised academic work, including: specialised training for solicitor or advocate work with an emphasis on health related issues; professional care providers; ethics review panel members; health policy and/or patient advocates (such as NGOs); or health policy designers (such as governmental legal advisers, consultants, etc).

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, medicine, medical humanities, or life sciences, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country). Applicants without a law background will benefit from exposure to health policy or legal studies through study or professional experience.

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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LLM by Research programmes

The LLM by Research presents an excellent opportunity to take time out to focus on a period of dedicated research activity. We offer three LLM by Research programmes.

Structure

The structure of these 12-month programmes combines taught courses with supervised independent research, with the exception of the general Law LLM by Research, which has no formal coursework elements.

Facilities

Research students can draw upon a fantastic range of resources and facilities to support their research while at Edinburgh Law School (see page 3). The Law School library is one of the best of its kind in the UK, while the University's Main Library has one of the largest and most important collections in Britain. All Edinburgh postgraduates also have access to the legal collection of the National Library of Scotland.

Funding

Some funding is available for our LLM by Research programmes. We offer one annual Cameron LLM by Research Scholarship, which contributes £5,000 from the overall tuition fee and the Edinburgh Legal Education Trust Scholarship can cover home student fees and maintenance for anyone pursuing the LLM by Research in Scots private law.

See page 28 for more funding information or visit: www.centreforlegalhistory.ed.ac.uk/teaching/scholarships

Residence

As with all on-campus and PhD programmes, we fully expect our LLM by Research students to live in or close to Edinburgh for the duration of their studies.

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History & Philosophy of Law

LLM by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

This programme promotes cross-fertilisation between the fields of legal history and philosophy of law, while allowing you to focus on the areas that interest you the most. Certain courses, such as *Traditions of Legal Enquiry*, expressly explore the relations between research in legal history and research in legal philosophy, while others focus on more discrete areas of legal enquiry. You will be encouraged to choose (under the guidance of the Programme Director) option courses and a dissertation topic that reflect your own interests. A prior qualification in law is not required to apply for this programme.

Programme structure

Courses are taught by seminar and assessment is wholly by essays. You will be expected to prepare for seminars by reading the required materials and by reflecting on the issues to be discussed. You are required to complete 180 credits of study, which are broken down as follows:

- 15,000-word dissertation, written under supervision (100 credits);
- Students choose courses worth 80 credits from a list of options, which includes: *Traditions of Legal Inquiry*; *Ancient Law: Models and Concepts*; *Law and the Enlightenment*; *Reasoning with Precedent*.
- Students might be allowed to take some of the 80 credits above from other courses offered by the Law School or by other Schools within the College of Humanities & Social Sciences, at the discretion of the Programme Director.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, or another humanities or social science subject, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Law

LLM by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

For this programme, you will consolidate and build on legal research and writing skills acquired through undergraduate legal studies by planning and completing a 30,000-word dissertation. You will work independently but under specialist academic supervision, within your chosen field of law.

The programme will enhance and develop your ability to manage and engage with both primary legal sources and academic literature on your chosen topic, present critical and engaged legal arguments, and maintain the coherence of those arguments over a substantial piece of written work.

Programme structure

The framework of the LLM by Research allows you time and intellectual space to work in your chosen field, and to refine and develop this initial phase of the project for future doctoral work.

As the programme does not have formal coursework elements, the LLM by Research is a particularly attractive option for those wishing to undertake postgraduate research on a part-time basis, while pursuing legal practice or other employment.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, or a social science subject, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Legal Research

LLM by Research 1 yr FT (2 yrs PT available for UK/EU students)

Programme description

The LLM in Legal Research is an innovative programme preparing you to undertake high-quality doctoral research in one of the UK's leading law schools. It provides the bridge between undergraduate studies in law and doctoral work.

The programme is designed to simultaneously offer you the opportunity to undertake more in-depth, guided study in an area in which you may plan to specialise in the future; understand the basics of legal research, legal scholarship and research methods; and undertake a piece of supervised, independent research, involving practice in using research-methods skills, leading to a dissertation. This LLM is suitable for students wanting to specialise in any field of legal studies in which we have supervisory expertise.

Programme structure

Students can take up to 80 credits worth of courses (semester-long courses are 20 credits and full year courses are 40 credits), chosen from the wide selection offered by the Law School.

This is supplemented by a 15,000-word independent dissertation, carried out under academic supervision, which forms the bulk of the programme.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree in law, or another humanities or social science subject, or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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“The courses offered on the LLM in Legal Research have been incredibly beneficial and have allowed me to develop my research skills considerably.”

Stephanie Law, LLM by Research in Legal Research

Online distance learning programmes

You can study for an internationally recognised postgraduate qualification from anywhere in the world and at times that suit you.

Flexibility

With full-time and part-time study options, and start dates in September and January, online distance learning offers a flexible way to study a postgraduate programme in law, while maintaining professional and personal commitments.

We offer six masters (LLM) programmes that can be studied over 12, 20, 24, 32 or 36 months and a Postgraduate Certificate in Law that can be studied over four, 12 or 20 months.

Subject areas

Our programmes are some of the richest in the global market, in terms of quality and breadth, with course options covering the fields of international commercial law, intellectual property, innovation, technology and medical ethics. With more than 25 courses to choose from you can tailor your LLM degree to meet your professional and personal interests.

We offer a highly participative learning environment, which is both supportive and intellectually stimulating. Students join from all over the world, investing their rich diversity of professional and academic experience in a truly international learning community.

CPD to degree study

This flexible route to a postgraduate qualification in law enables you to study postgraduate courses for credit in order to meet your own personal goals, CPD requirements or general training needs while giving you the option of accumulating credit points towards an LLM degree (see Postgraduate Certificate in Law, page 24, and Law Postgraduate Professional Development, page 23).

Teaching and assessment

Our distance learning programmes are delivered online via Edinburgh Law School's online learning environment, eSCRIPT. Learning and teaching happen asynchronously. This means you can fit your studies around work and other commitments, studying at times and in places convenient to you. To be awarded the LLM degree, you must complete six courses and then a dissertation.

To be awarded the Postgraduate Certificate in Law, you must complete either three courses, or two courses and a synoptic paper.

Career opportunities

Graduates of our online distance learning programmes progress to a range of careers in law and related legal fields, including work in local and international firms, government legal departments, other public institutions, international organisations and in academia. The programmes are also an ideal platform for advanced research.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/502

Information Technology Law



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This programme focuses on the regulatory framework that governs information technology within international, European and domestic settings.

The programme is highly topical, exploring the second generation – and sometimes even third generation – of regulation that has evolved from the legal framework of the early 2000s. New developments in technology are also a key focus, as these force us to constantly review the very concept of information technology and appropriate legal responses.

Information technology regulation operates across jurisdictions, and a cross-fertilisation of regulatory responses occurs at the interface between domestic, regional and international law. Our aim is to enable you to understand this cross-fertilisation, to be able to contextualise it and place yourself within it.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses, four of which must be IT law courses, and complete a dissertation.

CORE COURSES

Communications Law; Electronic Commerce Law; Forensic Computing and Electronic Evidence; Information: Control and Power; Law of Robotics; Information Technology Law.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Deposit policy

Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £1,000 within 28 days to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/164

Innovation, Technology & the Law



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This unique and internationally focused LLM programme explores how the law responds to, regulates, and promotes new and emerging technologies.

Innovative technologies and convergence in technologies are causing unprecedented societal change. New legal issues are arising, and new regulatory responses emerging. The law can help – or hinder – society's ability to reap the optimal rewards from technological development.

Across the programme, you will study different modes of regulation – the law, the markets, the technology itself – and critically analyse the advantages and disadvantages of each. The potential of technology to support legal and judicial processes is also examined.

This LLM will enable you to develop an advanced knowledge of domains where law engages with technology, awareness of the problems in the area and understanding of the differing approaches to their solution.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses, four of which must be from the core courses listed below, and a dissertation.

CORE COURSES

Communications Law; Electronic Commerce Law; Forensic Computing and Electronic Evidence; Law of Robotics; Information: Control and Power; Information Technology Law; Intellectual Property Law – Copyright and Related Rights; Intellectual Property Law – Industrial Property; International and European Media Law; International Intellectual Property Law; Legal Aspects of Managing Intellectual Property; Law and Medical Ethics – Fundamental Issues in Consent and Negligence; Law and Medical Ethics – Start and End of Life Issues; International Public Health Law and Security; Biotechnology, Law and Society; European Health Care Law.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

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Fees and funding

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Intellectual Property Law



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This programme enables you to develop a fully rounded understanding of intellectual property rights, their role in society and the impact of intellectual property (IP) on global economics and development.

The programme aims to equip students with an advanced knowledge and understanding of IP law within an international, European and domestic (UK) context.

The programme covers all the major IP rights, including copyright, designs, trade marks, and patents as well as confidentiality, passing off, database rights and other IP protection.

The programme also addresses global policy-making and the framework of international treaties that govern intellectual property law, as well as consideration of IP rights in their social, cultural and commercial contexts.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses, four of which must be core IP law courses, and a dissertation.

CORE COURSES

Intellectual Property Law – Copyright and Related Rights; Intellectual Property Law – Industrial Property; International Intellectual Property Law; Legal Aspects of Managing Intellectual Property.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

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“This is an excellent and high-quality Master of Laws programme offered by one of the most prestigious universities in the world. I would strongly recommend it to anybody considering an off-campus LLM.”

Graduate, LLM in Intellectual Property Law (online distance learning) 2012

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/825

International Commercial Law & Practice



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This programme aims to provide you with a deeper understanding of how international commercial law operates in practice, with course options to reflect interests, experience and industry focus.

Globalisation and developments in technology have led to a marked increase in international trade in goods and services, in international investment, and in the development of global financial markets. In parallel, the world of international commerce has seen major growth in the regulation of commercial activity at a national and international level, and in international litigation and arbitration. This LLM aims to help you understand the international context in which business currently operates.

The programme focuses on the legal responses to the developments shaping international commerce today, as lawyers and business professionals are increasingly required to look beyond domestic law to find solutions appropriate to their international business needs and opportunities.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses, four of which must be from the list below, and a dissertation.

CORE COURSES

Contract Law in Europe; International Commercial Arbitration; Dispute Resolution Methods; Principles of International Taxation; Corporate Compliance: Case Studies in Law and Ethics; Comparative and International Corporate Governance; International Law, Human Rights and Corporate Accountability; International Oil and Gas Law; Law of Climate Change.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

For funding information see also page 28.

Deposit policy

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Law



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This programme offers an exciting and flexible range of courses and gives you a free choice, enabling you to tailor the LLM to suit your specific professional and personal needs.

To be effective on the international stage, legal professionals, business people and policymakers need to understand different legal cultures and ways of operating and communicating within alternative business contexts and regulatory frameworks. This programme provides an ideal learning environment for such individuals to develop the skills and knowledge upon which further study or a relevant career can be built.

The programme spans foundational issues in areas of law, including: commercial law; information technology law; intellectual property law; medical law; innovation and competition law.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses and a dissertation.

OPTION COURSES

Biotechnology, Law and Society; Communications Law; Comparative and International Corporate Governance; Compassionate Care and the Law; Contract Law in Europe; Dispute Resolution Methods; Electronic Commerce Law; Information: Control and Power; Information Technology Law; European Healthcare Law; Forensic Computing and Electronic Evidence; Global Corporate Compliance: Case Studies in Law and Ethics; Health Research and Commercialisation; Intellectual Property Law: Copyright and Related Rights; Intellectual Property Law: Industrial Property; International and European Media Law; International Commercial Arbitration; International Intellectual Property Law; International Law, Human Rights and Corporate Accountability; International Public Health Law and Security; International Oil and Gas Law; Law and Medical Ethics: Fundamental Issues in Consent and Negligence; Law and Medical Ethics: Start and End of Life Issues; Law of Climate Change; Law of Robotics; Legal Aspects of Managing Intellectual Property; Principles of International Taxation.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate

For funding information see also page 28.

Deposit policy

Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £1,000 within 28 days to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/801

Law (Postgraduate Professional Development)



2 yrs (PT intermittent study)

Programme description

This programme allows you to study credit courses by online distance learning offered by Edinburgh Law School. These courses are designed to enable you to meet CPD requirements and general training needs but also to progress on to further study in law.

For details of the credit courses available, including costs and start dates, please visit our distance learning website: www.law.ed.ac.uk/distancelearning

Programme structure

Credits gained by successfully completing our courses can be counted towards the Postgraduate Certificate in Law. A maximum of 20 credits can be used, accounting for one third of the 60-credit requirement for successfully completing the Postgraduate Certificate in Law.

COURSES

Dispute Resolution Methods (10 credits); European Health Care Law (10 credits); International Commercial Arbitration (10 credits); Law and Medical Ethics (10 credits); Principles of International Taxation (5- and 10-credit courses available).

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

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For funding information see also page 28.

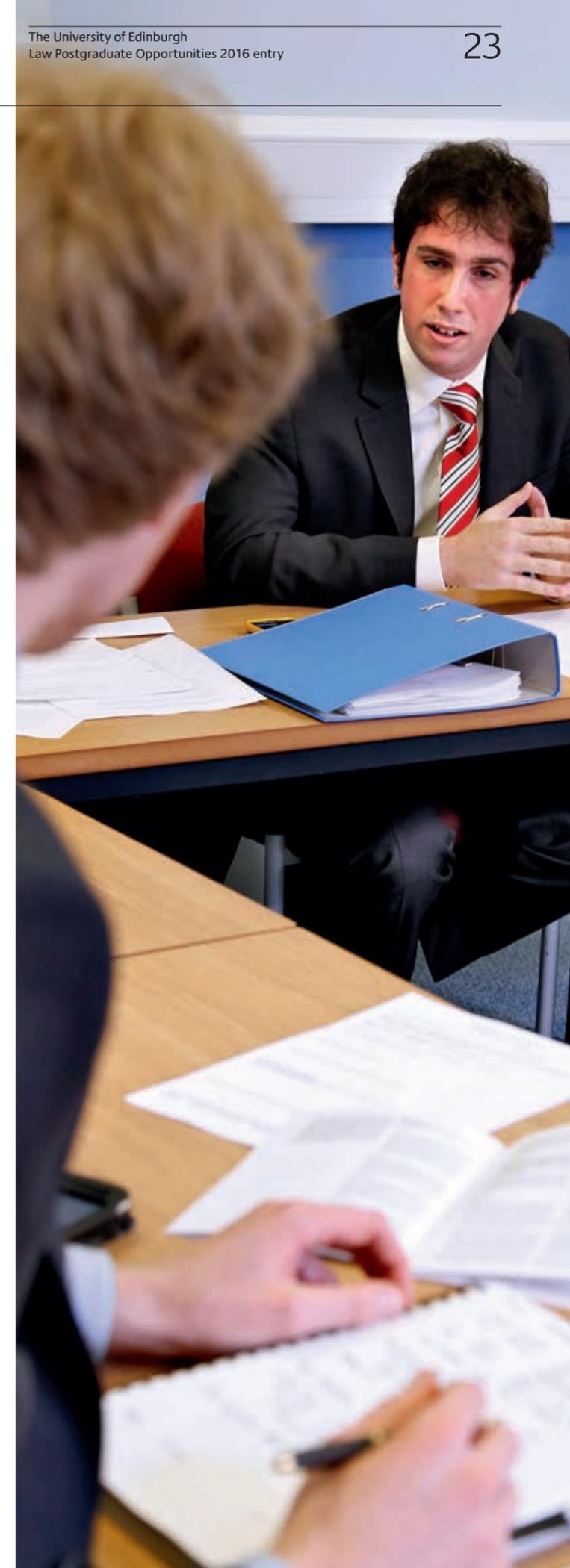
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“The quality of the programme, the small-group environment, and involvement of teaching staff, sets a high bar even for a face-to-face programme. The Law School at the University of Edinburgh delivers a world-class LLM in Medical Law & Ethics.”

Mark Davies, LLM Medical Law & Ethics (online distance learning) 2013



www.ed.ac.uk/pg/505

Medical Law & Ethics



LLM 1 yr FT (20 mths/32 mths/2 yrs/3 yrs PT)

Programme description

This programme draws on the expertise and tradition of Edinburgh to deliver an internationally focused, interdisciplinary programme that combines flexible learning with the most up-to-date teaching on all of the important issues affecting medicine, law and ethics today.

Medical law is a fascinating field of study as advances in medical research and new technologies shift the boundaries of medicine. New health issues are emerging and patient rights are increasingly taking centre stage. New and complex medico-legal dilemmas arise in clinical practice, in the realities of human health, and in the relationships between patients and healthcare professionals.

The programme enables you to explore the international and interdisciplinary dimensions of medical law and ethics. You will have opportunities to examine healthcare policy and the regulation of medicine in different parts of the world. You will also evaluate responses to technology and debate possible futures for medical law.

Applications are welcomed from healthcare professionals, including doctors and nurses and from all those with an interest in this area.

Programme structure

You must complete a total of six courses, four of which must be core medical law courses from the list below, and a dissertation.

CORE COURSES

Compassionate Care and the Law; European Health Care Law; Law and Medical Ethics – Fundamental Issues in Consent and Negligence; Law and Medical Ethics – Start and End of Life Issues; Health Research and Commercialisation; International Public Health Law and Security; Biotechnology, Law and Society.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Deposit policy

Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £1,000 within 28 days to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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www.ed.ac.uk/pg/782

Postgraduate Certificate in Law



PgCert 4 mths FT (part session), 12 mths FT, 20 mths PT

Programme description

This certificate provides a flexible way for legal professionals, policymakers and practitioners in the private and public sectors to develop the confidence and study/research skills upon which further study in law, or a relevant career, can be built. It also offers a flexible route to further postgraduate study as successful students can choose to transfer credits gained to one of our LLM programmes.

The programme enables you to engage with a range of subject areas within the discipline, which may include: commercial law; information technology law; intellectual property law; medical law; innovation and competition law.

Programme structure

You can choose three masters-level courses that best reflect your personal interests and objectives. Courses are chosen from our full range of LLM courses, listed opposite.

Upon successful completion of the programme, you will have the option of graduating with the Certificate or continuing your studies through a facilitated transfer onto one of the Edinburgh Law School's LLM programmes by online distance learning.

Minimum entry requirements

A UK 2:1 honours degree or its international equivalent (www.ed.ac.uk/international/country).

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate
For funding information see also page 28.

Deposit policy

Applicants receiving an unconditional offer of admission will be asked to pay a deposit of £500 within 28 days to secure their place on the programme. The deposit fee amount will be deducted from the tuition fee payable.

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Insider view

Students from our online distance learning programmes share their insights:
www.law.ed.ac.uk/distancelearning

Option courses (online distance learning)

Our LLM programmes and Postgraduate Certificate in Law are structured to allow you to study option courses in addition to compulsory courses. We plan to offer the following courses from September 2016:

- *Biotechnology, Law and Society*
- *Communications Law*
- *Comparative and International Corporate Governance*
- *Compassionate Care and the Law*
- *Contract Law in Europe*
- *Dispute Resolution Methods*
- *Electronic Commerce Law*
- *European Healthcare Law*
- *Forensic Computing and Electronic Evidence*
- *Global Corporate Compliance: Case Studies in Law and Ethics*
- *Health Research and Commercialisation*
- *Information: Control and Power*
- *Information Technology Law*
- *Intellectual Property Law: Copyright and Related Rights*
- *Intellectual Property Law: Industrial Property*
- *International Commercial Arbitration*
- *International and European Media Law*
- *International Intellectual Property Law*
- *International Law, Human Rights and Corporate Accountability*
- *International Public Health Law and Security*
- *International Oil and Gas Law*
- *Law and Medical Ethics: Fundamental Issues in Consent and Negligence*
- *Law and Medical Ethics: Start and End of Life Issues*
- *Law of Climate Change*
- *Law of Robotics*
- *Legal Aspects of Managing Intellectual Property*
- *Principles of International Taxation.*



Research opportunities

Edinburgh Law School is renowned for its research excellence. We strive to produce work that has real-world reach and influence. Our postgraduate research body is key to the School's research activities and we work hard to ensure that our research students are fully engaged with staff and projects across all our legal disciplines.

A dynamic environment

If you are considering following an academic research career, Edinburgh Law School can provide a supportive and inspiring environment to help you take your first steps towards carving out your own research specialism. In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework we were ranked 4th in the UK for the breadth and quality of our research and 1st in the UK for producing the highest volume of world-leading research. We have research excellence in a vibrant range of fields, spanning an exciting spectrum of law, socio-legal studies and criminology.

You'll find opportunities in the following fields: company and commercial law; comparative law; constitutional and administrative law; criminal law; criminology and criminal justice; environmental law; European law, policy and institutions; European private law; evidence and procedure; family law; gender and sexuality; human rights law; information technology law; intellectual property law; international law; labour law; legal theory; media law; medical law and ethics; obligations, contract delict, unjustified enrichment; property, trusts and successions; Roman law and legal history; socio-legal studies; and tax law.

You will be encouraged to work alongside our highly regarded research communities and centres, which include:

- Centre for Law and Society
- Centre for Legal History
- CITSEE
- Edinburgh Centre for Commercial Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Constitutional Law
- Edinburgh Centre for Private Law
- Empirical Legal Research Network
- Europa Institute
- Global Justice Academy
- Mason Institute
- Scottish Centre for International Law
- SCRIPT

Research programmes

The first step towards an academic research career is the three-year PhD, but you may wish to consider one of our one-year LLM by Research programmes (page 18) as a stepping stone towards doctoral study.

www.ed.ac.uk/pg/168

Law

PhD 3 yrs FT (PT available for UK/EU students)

Edinburgh Law School can offer expert supervision across an exceptional range of subject areas for PhD study.

A PhD at Edinburgh Law School involves undertaking independent research, culminating in the submission of a 100,000-word thesis, which should be an original piece of work that makes a significant contribution to knowledge in the field of study and contains material worthy of publication.

As a doctoral student, you will join a community of around 100 postgraduate researchers and will be an integral part of the intellectual life of the School.

Training and support

We offer excellent research training and support for PhD students through the Doctoral Research Training Programme. In the first year of the programme, PhD students take part in a structured course covering legal research methods and transferable skills (such as presentation skills), with the option of taking more specific training as required by the project (such as empirical research skills). The focus of training in the second year is on supporting the external dissemination of work. In the third year, all students participate in our Student Presentation Series while they also work on refining their thesis in readiness for submission.

Subject areas

As a doctoral student at Edinburgh Law School, you will be assisted by two supervisors who are experts in their field of study and who are carefully chosen to provide you with the best possible support to develop your thesis.

PhD supervision is available across an extensive range of legal and criminological subjects. If you have a particular PhD topic in mind, you can find out if we have a potential supervisor for you by looking at our Research Fields online: www.law.ed.ac.uk/research/research_fields

How to apply

Applying for PhD study at Edinburgh Law School is simple and can be done online.

We ask candidates to submit a research proposal and we ask that you download and fill out our specific Law research proposal form to make sure that you include all the relevant details. You'll find that online: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/phd/how_to_apply

For full details on how to apply, see page 30.

English language requirements

See page 31.

Fees and funding

For up-to-date information about funded PhD studentships or scholarships, please visit: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships

For funding information see also page 28.



THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH

Case study: Edinburgh's research with impact

Transforming youth justice policy and practice

Led by Professors Lesley McAra and Susan McVie from the Edinburgh Law School, the Edinburgh Study of Youth Transitions and Crime (ESYTC) has drawn on data from more than 4,300 young people in the Scottish capital to directly reform youth justice policy and practice across Scotland.

Project background

The ESYTC was established with the aim of increasing understanding about youth offending and the impact of interventions. Analysis of data obtained through official police, social work, legal and educational records, as well as crime data and relevant surveys, highlighted a number of key findings. In essence, they identified the influences of vulnerability and social adversity on serious offending in young people, plus a number of contributing factors, such as alcohol. Professors McAra and McVie's team also recognised issues with current systems of identification and formal controls, and the importance of key moments and diversionary strategies in creating pathways out of offending.

Project results

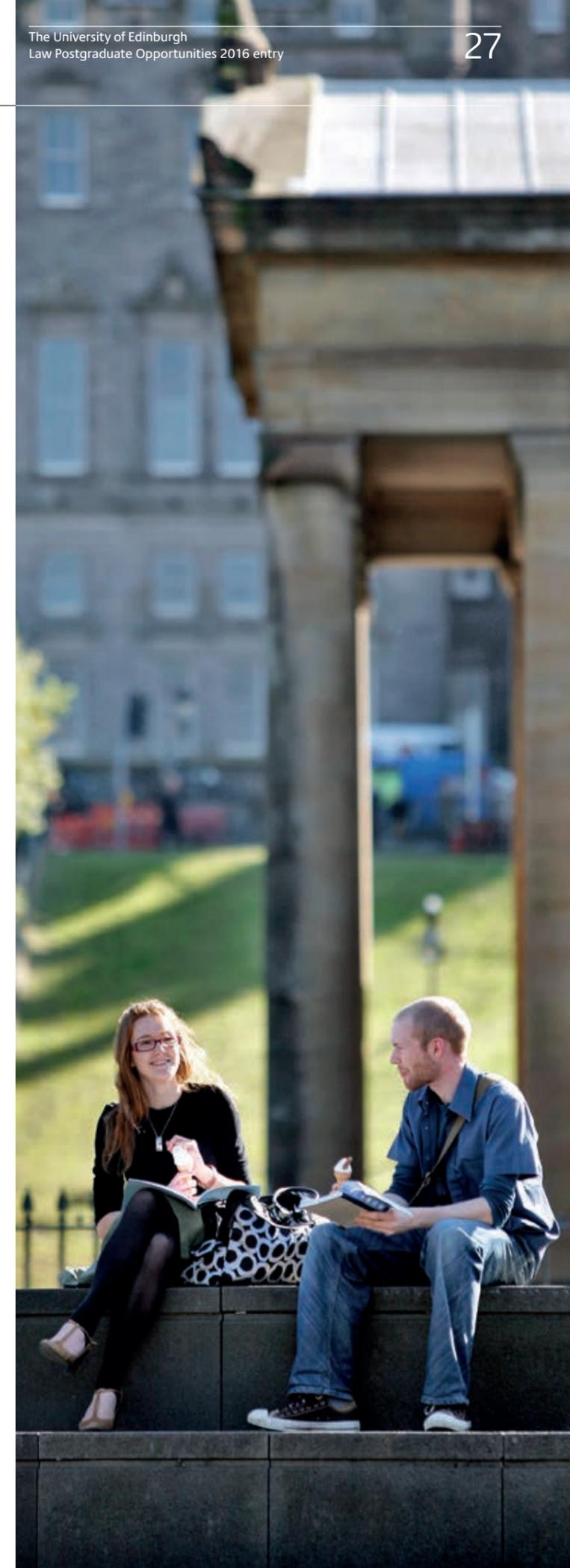
The project provided evidence for the Scottish Government's recent reforms to youth justice procedures. The effectiveness of these reforms is indicated in the Policing Performance Framework Data, which shows that the number of recorded crimes and offences committed by children and young people (8-17 year olds) decreased by 32 per cent as a result of this policy change.

John Drew CBE, Chief Executive, Youth Justice Board (retired), noted in September 2013: "It is my personal belief that the Edinburgh study is the most significant large-scale piece of work in this area undertaken in the last several decades and deserves careful review by all policymakers and practitioners working in this area."

The outstanding work of Professors McAra and McVie was recognised when they were jointly awarded the Howard League for Penal Reform Research Medal in 2013.

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See more online: www.ed.ac.uk/research/impact



Funding

A large number of scholarships, loans and other funding schemes are available for your postgraduate studies. It is only possible to show a small selection in print. To see the full range, please visit: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate.

Awards are offered by Edinburgh Law School, the College of Humanities & Social Science, the University of Edinburgh, the Scottish, UK and international governments and many funding bodies.

Here we list a selection of potential sources of financial support for postgraduate students applying to Edinburgh Law School.

Tuition fee discounts

We offer a 10 per cent discount on postgraduate fees for all alumni who have graduated with an undergraduate degree from the University. We also offer a 10 per cent discount for international graduates who spent at least one semester at the University of Edinburgh as a visiting undergraduate: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/discounts

Key

- Taught masters programmes
- Masters by Research programmes
- Research programmes

Loans available for study at the University of Edinburgh

The University of Edinburgh is a participating institution in the following loans programmes, meaning we certify your student status and can help with the application process.

• The Canada Student Loans Program ●●●

The University is eligible to certify Canadian student loan applications: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/canadian-loans

• The Student Awards Agency Scotland ●●

The Student Awards Agency Scotland offers eligible students postgraduate tuition fee loans for eligible programmes: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/pg-loan

• US Student Loans ●●●

The University is eligible to certify loan applications for US loan students. Full details on eligibility and how to apply can be found online: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/us-loans

Research council awards

Research councils offer awards to masters, MPhil and PhD students in most of the Schools within the University of Edinburgh. All studentship applications from the research councils must be made through the University, through your School or College office. Awards can be made for both taught and research programmes.

Normally only those UK/EU students who have been resident in the UK for the preceding three years are eligible for a full award. For some awards, candidates who are EU nationals and are resident in the UK may be eligible for a fees-only award: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/research-councils

University of Edinburgh scholarships

The University offers a number of scholarships in partnership with the following overseas government agencies:

- **Chile ●●●**
National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT): www.conicyt.cl
- **Colombia ●**
Administrative Department of Science, Technology and Innovation (Colciencias): www.colciencias.gov.co
- **Ecuador ●●●**
Secretaria Nacional de Educacion Superior, Ciencia y Tecnologia (SENESCYT): www.educacionsuperior.gob.ec
- **Iraq ●**
Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research: www.en.moheer.gov.iq/
- **Mexico**
National Council of Science and Technology of the United Mexican States (CONACYT): ●●● www.conacyt.mx
Banco de Mexico and the Banco de Mexico's FIDERH trust (FIDERH): ●●● www.fiderh.org.mx
Fundacion Mexicana para la Educacion, la Tecnologia y la Ciencia (FUNED): ●● www.funedx.org

Other scholarship opportunities include:

- **The Binks Trust Scholarship ●**
One scholarship available to a postgraduate student studying the LLM in European Law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **Cameron LLM by Research Scholarship ●**
One scholarship for a full-time student on LLM Legal Research or LLM History & Philosophy of Law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **Cameron Scholarship in Comparative and European Private Law LLM ●**
One scholarship for a student studying full-time for the LLM in Comparative and European Private Law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **China Scholarships Council/University of Edinburgh Scholarships (China) ●**
A number of scholarships for PhD study to candidates who are citizens and residents of China: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/china-council
- **College of Humanities & Social Science Studentships and Scholarships ●**
Studentships and scholarships are open to those admitted to the first year of PhD research: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/research-hss
- **Edinburgh Global Masters Scholarships ●●**
A number of scholarships are available to international students for masters study: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/masters
- **Edinburgh Global Research Scholarships ●**
These scholarships are designed to attract high-quality international research students to the University: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/global-research
- **Edinburgh Law School PhD Scholarships ●**
Two scholarships for PhD students studying full-time: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **Edinburgh Legal Education Trust Scholarships (LLM by Research) ●**
One scholarship covering home student fees for a student on an LLM by Research in Scots private law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **Edinburgh Legal Education Trust Scholarships (PhD) ●**
One scholarship covering home student fees for a student undertaking a PhD in Scots private law: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **Eric Liddell China Saltire Scholarships (China) ●●**
Ten scholarships are available to Chinese citizens who are permanent residents of mainland China who are accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/liddell
- **Julius Nyerere Masters Scholarships (Tanzania) ●●**
One scholarship is available to citizens of Tanzania who are normally resident in Tanzania who are accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/nyerere
- **Southern African Scholarship ●●●**
One award for masters study available to students from selected southern African countries: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/postgraduate/southern-africa
- **Tercentenary Awards for Excellence ●**
Up to 10 scholarships for any Law LLM or MSc programme: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/scholarships
- **UK/EU Masters Scholarships ●●**
A number of scholarships for UK and EU students who have been accepted on a full-time masters degree programme: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/uk-masters
- **University of Edinburgh PhD Scholarships ●**
A number of scholarships, open to UK, EU and international PhD students: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/development

Other sources of funding

The following are examples of the many scholarships and support schemes available to students from particular countries who meet certain eligibility criteria.

- **Beit Trust ●●●**
Beit Trust Scholarships support postgraduate students from Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, usually to undertake a masters degree: www.beittrust.org.uk
- **Chevening Scholarships ●●**
A number of partial and full funding scholarships are available to one-year masters students: www.chevening.org
- **Commonwealth Scholarships ●●●**
Scholarships available to students who are resident in any Commonwealth country, other than the UK: www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk
- **Fulbright Scholarships (USA) ●●●**
Scholarships open to US graduate students in any subject wishing to study in the UK: www.iie.org/fulbright
- **Marshall Scholarships (USA) ●●●**
Scholarships available to outstanding US students wishing to study at any UK university for at least two years: www.marshallsscholarship.org
- **Scotland's Saltire Scholarships ●●**
A number of scholarships open to students who are citizens permanently and ordinarily resident in Canada, China, India and the USA for one year of masters study: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/saltire
- **Silber Bequest ●●●**
Funding is available to help prospective postgraduate students living in the UK who have been granted refugee status: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/silber

Funding for online distance learning

The University offers several scholarships specifically for online, part-time postgraduate programmes, including the Edinburgh Global Online Distance Learning Masters Scholarship, for which applicants for several of our LLM degrees can apply: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/e-learning/online-distance

“Being a recipient of the Africa Tercentenary Scholarship was a huge privilege. It afforded me the rare opportunity to pursue an LLM degree with financial ease. I am now effectively poised to fulfil my goal of practising as a highly skilled lawyer in a reputable law firm and ultimately being a strong force for justice and the rule of law. I am eternally thankful for the scholarship award.”

Dolapo Sayeedat Ayoola, LLM Law, Africa Tercentenary Award

How to apply

We have an online application process for all postgraduate programmes. It's a straightforward system with full instructions, including details of any supporting documentation you need to submit.

When applying, you will set up an account, which lets you save your application and continue at another time. Full guidance on our application system: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/applying

On-campus LLM, MSc and LLM by Research programmes

Application procedure

- Choose your preferred programme of study.
- Check you meet all entry requirements, including English language requirements. Check whether a separate application is needed for funding. Check any deadlines.
- Visit www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees, navigate to your chosen programme, and click Apply Online. Follow the instructions within the online application system, including details of documentation you must supply.
- Applications for all our LLM by Research programmes should include a summary of your intended field of research and a brief outline of your intended research project.

References

For applications to taught programmes, the normal requirement is one reference, although an additional reference may be requested in individual cases. For applications to research programmes, two references are required. You should check the entry online for exact requirements for your intended programme of study. For general guidance on references, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/references

Deadlines

Applications for the on-campus taught LLM, MSc and LLM by research programmes are considered up until 30 June 2016, with the exception of LLM Human Rights and LLM International Banking Law & Finance. These are high-demand programmes so applications will be considered up until 30 April 2016.

Online distance learning

Application procedure

- Choose your preferred programme of study.
- Check you meet all entry requirements, including English language requirements. Check whether a separate application is needed for funding. Check any deadlines.
- Visit www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees, navigate to your chosen programme, and click on Apply Online. Follow the instructions within the online application system, including details of documentation you must supply.

Deadlines

The deadline for September 2016 entry is 11 August 2016 and the deadline for January 2017 applications is 17 November 2016. We recommend that you apply as early as possible, especially if you need to meet any scholarship deadlines and take any English language tests.

PhD

Application procedure

- Identify your preferred area of research.
- Check you meet all entry requirements, including English language requirements. Check whether a separate application is needed for funding. Check any deadlines.
- Visit www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees, follow the links to the PhD degree page, and click Apply Online.
- You need to submit a research proposal with your application, of no more than 1,500 words. This should include:
 - a clear statement of your proposed research topic;
 - the key research questions you intend to address;
 - the broader context of your research topic i.e. an indication of the relevant sources in the field;
 - where relevant, your intended approach or methodologies.
 A research proposal form is available online: www.law.ed.ac.uk/teaching/postgraduate/phd/how_to_apply

- If possible you should also attach a sample of your written work (for example, a relevant publication, academic essay or dissertation).

Deadlines

PhD applications may be made at any time of the year. We encourage our students to begin studies at the start of the new academic year in mid-September, where possible, so that you may take full advantage of our Doctoral Research Training Programme. This applies especially to applicants in the early stages of their research careers. If you intend to apply for funding please note that your application for study must be submitted before the scholarship closing date.

All programmes

What happens next?

You will be informed of the outcome of your application as soon as possible. If your application is successful, two outcomes are possible:

1. You may be offered a place unconditionally.
2. You may be offered a conditional place, with conditions specified in the offer letter. Where a conditional offer is made, it is your responsibility to contact us when you have fulfilled the requirements set out.

Joining us from overseas

International applicants are advised to check the University's website to find out more about their visa options and our Integrated English for Academic Purposes (IEAP) programme. More information: www.ed.ac.uk/international/ieap

International agents

The University has certified representative agents in the following locations: Brunei, Canada, China, Gulf Region, Hong Kong, India, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Zambia and Zimbabwe. International applicants can use an agent to help guide them through the application process if necessary. For more information visit: www.ed.ac.uk/international/country

English language requirements

Postgraduate study in the field of law requires a thorough, complex and demanding knowledge of English, so we ask that the communication skills of all students are at the same minimum standard. Students whose first language is not English must therefore show evidence of one of the following qualifications below:

- IELTS: total 7.0 (at least 6.5 in each module).
- TOEFL-iBT: total 100 (at least 23 in each module).
- PTE(A): total 67 (at least 61 in each of the Communicative Skills sections).
- CAE and CPE: total 185 (at least 176 in each module).

Please note:

- English language requirements can be affected by government policy so please ensure you visit our degree finder to check the latest requirements for your programme: www.ed.ac.uk/pg/degrees
- Your English language certificate must be no more than two years old at the beginning of your programme.
- We also accept recent degree-level study that was taught and assessed in English in a majority English speaking country (as defined by UK Visas & Immigration).

Abbreviations: IELTS – International English Language Testing System; TOEFL-iBT – Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-Based Test; PTE(A) – Pearson Test of English (Academic); CPE – Certificate of Proficiency in English; CAE – Certificate in Advanced English.

www.ed.ac.uk/english-requirements/pg

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Our Postgraduate Open Day is your opportunity to come and meet current staff and students. Our next campus-based Open Day takes place in the University on Wednesday 18 November 2015. For more information, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate-open-day

The University also runs online information sessions for prospective postgraduate students throughout the year. For more information, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/postgraduate/online-events

Campus map

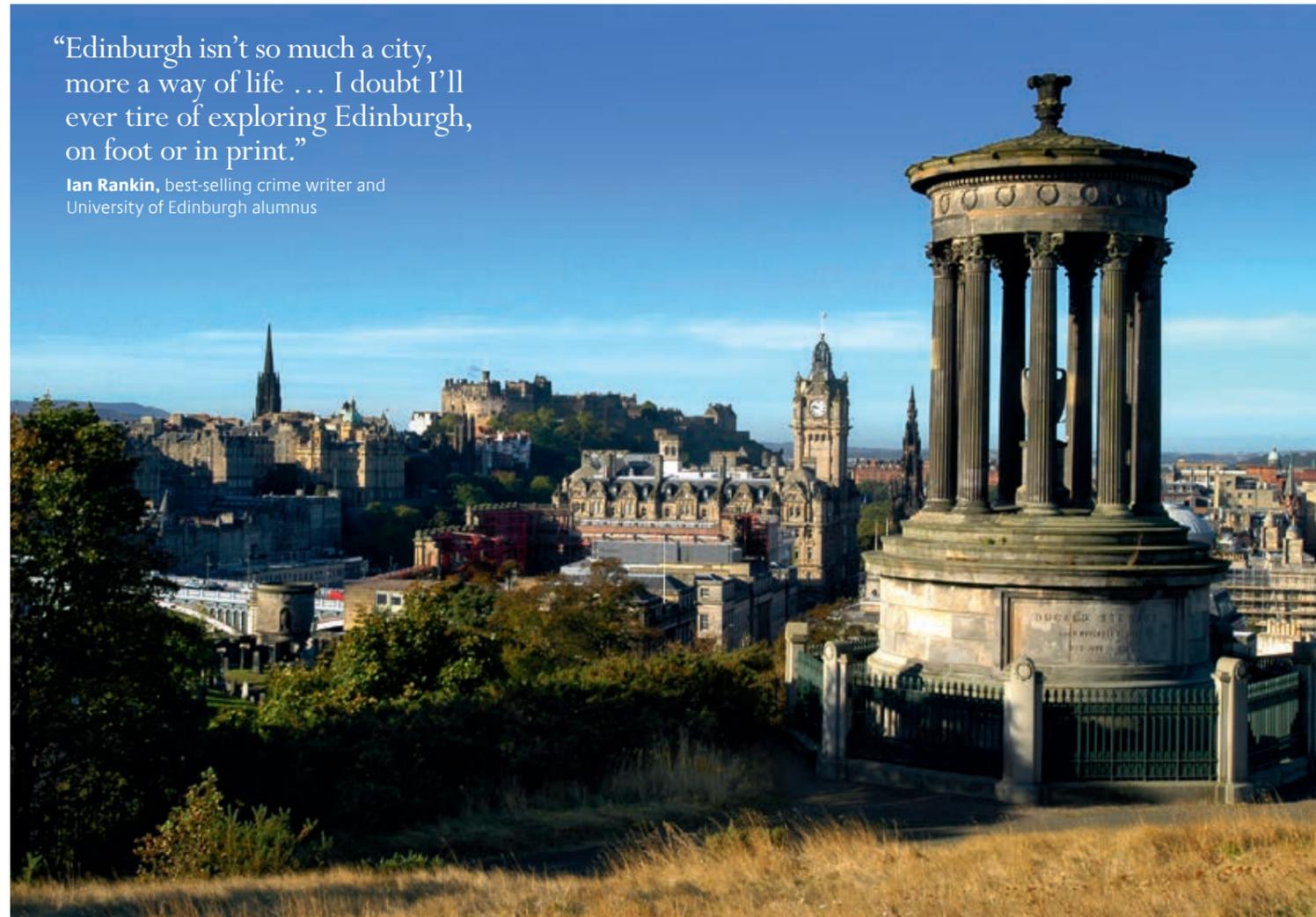
Edinburgh Law School will relocate to David Hume Tower from 2016 to 2018 while parts of our iconic Old College home undergo significant refurbishment. Teaching will remain at the heart of the Central Area campus, close to University and city-centre amenities. PhD students will remain in Old College.

Detailed maps can be found at: www.ed.ac.uk/maps



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Ian Rankin, best-selling crime writer and University of Edinburgh alumnus



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