Why study on the Intensive Programme?

Are you looking to change careers, move sector or build on your existing skills and training?

Whether you live in the UK, Europe, or internationally, this is your opportunity to study in London without having to set up a new home, or leave your current job.

Are you a skilled professional, activist, or public/private sector worker with experience or an interest in law?

The Intensive Masters programmes are designed so you can conduct postgraduate study without substantially disrupting your existing work and family life.

Are you looking for a new and better job but you need to acquire more skills, knowledge, or qualifications?

We focus on major social, economic, and legal developments. Use your knowledge and experience to acquire new skills in a rapidly changing world.

“We have designed our intensive program to provide 25% more face-to-face teaching than a conventional LLM/MA.”

Dr Stewart Motha, Course Director
Intensive Programmes

LLM/MA in Human Rights

This LLM/MA focuses on theoretically informed and multidisciplinary approaches to human rights. It aims to expose you to a critical and contextual engagement with the subject.

The programme has close ties to a number of leading human rights NGOs and is informed by critical engagement with, and analysis of, human rights practice.

LLM in International Economic Law

The only LLM of its kind in the UK, this programme addresses the law, institutions and practice which constitute global and local economies from a critical perspective.

It is particularly well suited to those within NGOs, government agencies, and in-house corporate social responsibility departments, who wish to critically reflect on their role as practitioners.

Law Democracy and Human Welfare

National and transnational crises are addressed through welfare-centred models of responding to human need & suffering, including conflicts, natural disasters, pandemics, and communities in social and economic crisis.

This programme offers you the opportunity to study the legal and wider social and economic structures that determine the responses to these crises.

“The knowledge I have gained from the intensive LLM will be directly relevant to my career.”

Laura Barre, Intensive LLM Human Rights 2013
Programme Structure

- **January-March**: Reading and online induction
- **March**: Induction and face-to-face teaching
- **June**: Face-to-face teaching
- **April-June**: Reading and assessment
- **July-September**: Assessment and Dissertation research
- **April**: Graduation
Human Rights LLM/MA

The dual stream award (either LLM or MA) allows you to choose a qualification that best suits your existing and future career. The final award will be determined prior to completion. Students take 3 core modules and 3 option modules.

Core modules:

Issues in International Law and Human Rights - The History and Philosophy of Human Rights - Dissertation

Option modules:


Please note not all options are available every year. You may also take option modules from other intensively taught LLM programmes.
LLM in International Finance and Economic Law

Core Modules:
Introduction to the Law of International Finance - Introduction to International Economic Law, Justice and Development - Dissertation

Options:
Cultures of Human Rights - Issues in International Law and Human Rights - Risk, Rights and Responsibility: Governing Epidemics and Regulating Health - The History and Philosophy of Human Rights

LLM in International Economic Law, Justice and Development

Core Modules:
Introduction to International Economic Law, Justice and Development - Advanced International Law, Justice and Development - Dissertation

Options:
Introduction to the Law of International Finance - Issues in International Law and Human Rights - Risk, Rights and Responsibility: Governing Epidemics and Regulating Health - The History and Philosophy of Human Rights
LLM in Law, Democracy and Human Welfare: Global Perspectives

Students take 3 compulsory modules (including dissertation) and 3 option modules.

Core modules:

The Legal Regulation of Welfare Services: Global Perspectives - UK Public and Private Law: Accountability for Delivery of Welfare Services - Dissertation

Option modules:


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Dr Stewart Motha, Reader in Law, Director Intensive LLM Programmes.

“Students in these LLMs are among the most motivated I have met. The range of experience they bring combined with our innovative courses create a fertile atmosphere for learning and teaching.”

**MEET THE TEACHERS**

Professor Costas Douzinas, Professor of Law and Director of the Birkbeck Institute for the Humanities.

“The Human Rights LLM/MA is taught by world renowned academics in human rights and critical legal theory scholarship.”
MEET THE TEACHERS

Professor Bill Bowring, Professor of Law; Human Rights LLM/MA.

“The unique concentrated programme of Birkbeck's Intensive LLM in Human Rights attracts extraordinary students with a passion for human rights from all over the world, and teaching them has been an amazing experience.”

Professor Fiona Macmillan, Corporation of London Professor of Law; IEL LLM.

“I have noticed that students benefit from the additional face-to-face time they get on our intensive LLMs. This novel format of teaching really helps students to develop an in-depth understanding of the subject.”
Eligibility Criteria

- Good second-class honours degree in law, the humanities or social sciences. Other good honours degrees will be considered.
- Degrees from overseas institutions must be equivalent to a UK second-class degree.
- Other relevant qualifications, and appropriate professional training & experience will be considered.
- Excellent English language skills are essential.

How to Apply

Applications must be submitted online: www.bbk.ac.uk/illm
Apply by end of November to secure your place. Teaching begins in March.

Fees and Finance

You can find information on fees and finance at: www.bbk.ac.uk/illm
The Patrick McAuslan Scholarship

About Professor McAuslan

Professor McAuslan was a founding staff member of the School of Law in 1993 where he taught and researched until his death in 2014. Patrick was a pioneer and world expert in land law, law reform, sustainable development, the alleviation of poverty, and planning law. He advised 35 countries on these issues and helped draft the land law code of many, and he was a leading member of a generation of scholars committed to social justice and legal education.

To commemorate his extraordinary contribution, the School established the Patrick McAuslan Scholarship.

The Scholarship

The Patrick McAuslan Scholarship is awarded annually to a student who has successfully applied for the LLM International Economic Law (intensive - Justice and Development pathway); has proven interest or experience in Patrick's research areas; and is from East Africa. The scholarship covers the tuition fees of £14,775 and a monthly contribution of living costs.

For more information and to apply: http://www.bbk.ac.uk/law/study-here/postgraduate-funding-opportunities
FAQs

Can I choose my own modules?
You can choose to study 3 modules, including core modules from other Intensive programmes.

When should I apply?
Apply as soon as possible to secure a place. Materials will be sent to you as soon as you enrol.

Can I study part time?
Yes. Part-time students must complete the following over two years: two core modules, three option modules, and one dissertation.

When will I start studying?
On enrolment, you will have access to study guides and materials online and in print.

When do I come to classes in London?
March - 2 weeks.
June - 2 weeks.

How much study will I have to do at home?
Students are expected to complete assigned readings in advance of classes, and a supervised dissertation project.

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