



LAW

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Examination Board:	WJEC
Essential GCSE's:	B in English Language and C in Maths

Course Outline

Students will gain a broad understanding of the legal system in England and Wales and how being part of the EU influences this, for example, Human Rights. You will develop an understanding of contract and criminal law, applying this knowledge and legal techniques to argue cases. You will develop a wider understanding of the legal system through visits to courts and outside speakers.

Entry Requirements

The course will be available to students who:

- Achieved 5 A* - C at GCSE, including a grade C or above in English
- Have a keen interest in the Law, their rights as individuals and the rights of others
- Enjoy problem solving
- Have a good coherent writing style
- Have the ability to see and present arguments from both sides
- Have the capability for independent study
- Want to follow a course that is relevant to their own lives and reflects changes within society
- Have an interest in current affairs

What will I study?

AS – Unit 1: The Nature of Law and the Welsh & English Legal Systems

- Law Making
- Delegated Legislation, Statutory Interpretation and Judicial Precedent
- Civil Courts and Criminal Process
- Legal Personnel
- Access to Justice & Funding

AS – Unit 2: The Law of Tort

- The Rules and Theory of the Law of Tort
- Liability in Negligence for Injury to People and Damage to Property
- Occupiers' Liability
- Remedies

A2 – Units 3 & 4: The Practice of Substantive Law and Substantive Law Perspectives

- The Rules and Theory of Human Rights Law
- Specific Provisions with the European Convention of Human Rights
- The Debate Relating to the Protection of Human Rights in the UK
- Rules and Theory of the Law of Contract
- Express and Implied Terms
- Misrepresentation and Economic Duress
- Discharge of Contract
- Rules and Theory of Criminal Law
- General Elements of Liability
- Offences against the Person
- Property Offences, including Theft and Robbery
- Defences

How will I be assessed?

There are four units, two AS units and two A2 units. All are assessed by external examination.

AS **Unit 1** – Three scenario based questions, **Unit 2** – Five short answer and essay based questions

A2 **Unit 3** – Two scenario based questions, **Unit 4** – two essay questions

Career Opportunities and Progression

Law is an extremely versatile subject and is useful for a wide range of professions, such as journalism, national and local government, broadcasting, the police force, finance, the prison service, charity work and management/business. A high percentage of students who study Law at A level then decide to study it at degree level. Former students have gained places on law degrees at universities such as Cardiff, Swansea, Durham and Bristol.