

Careers and Employability Service



Law

The websites listed below contain useful information to assist you in your career planning and job seeking.

Organisation Name	Web Address	Careers Information	Training	Work Experience	Vacancy Information	Comments
AllaboutLaw	www.allaboutlaw.co.uk	X	X	X		Can sign up to a free newsletter and provides information on becoming a solicitor or barrister and provides information on work experience.
Association of Law Costs Draughtsmen	www.alcd.org.uk					General information
Bar Association for Local Government and the Public Service	www.balgps.org.uk	X				Includes a section on a career in local government for a barrister and FAQs.
Bar Council	www.barcouncil.org.uk	X	X			Information on the role of a barrister and how to qualify, directory of barristers and links to other useful sites.

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Bar Course Aptitude Test	www.barstandardsboard.org.uk/qualifying-as-a-barrister/bar-professional-training-course/aptitude-test/		X			This test must be undertaken before you can commence the BPTC, this website has further details on the test.
Bar Standards Board	www.barstandardsboard.org.uk	X	X			Information on training and education for becoming a Barrister.
BCL Graduates	www.bclgraduates.com/				X	Legal recruitment website
BLD- Black Lawyers Directory	www.onlinebld.com	X	X		X	Contains case studies, careers advice and guidance, job vacancies and extensive useful links.
Beginners' Guide to the Law	www.lawcareers.net/beginnersguide	x				Produced by Law Careers Net. Basic introduction to the legal profession.
Chambers and Partners	www.chambersandpartners.com	X	X	X	X	Extensive information on training contracts, funding and vacation schemes
Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx)	www.cilex.org.uk/ & www.cilexrecruitment.org.uk	X	X		X	Offers an alternative route for training to become a Lawyer. Also advertises legal opportunities.
Commercial Bar Association	www.combar.com	X	X			Information about what the Commercial bar is, reasons to go for it and how to qualify; links to other resources
Crown Prosecution Service	www.cps.gov.uk		X		X	Information about roles available with CPS and the Legal Trainee scheme. Vacancies for roles other than trainee as available.
Directgov	www.direct.gov.uk	X			X	Careers and vacancy information plus link to Legal Services Commission and other government depts.
Free Representation Unit	www.freerepresentationunit.org.uk			X	X	Information on volunteering and paid opportunities as available.

Inside Buzz	www.insidebuzz.co.uk/law.html	X				An informative website about details of graduate jobs. Also offers insight into what it is like working in a typical firm, their salary and other information.
Institute of Paralegals	www.theiop.org/	X	X			Training and accreditation, support and career development for non-lawyers doing legal work
i Pro Bono	www.i-probono.com/		X	X		An online network to connect organisations in need of legal assistance with lawyers and students who want to use their legal skills for the public good
Junior lawyers	http://juniorlawyers.lawsociety.org.uk/	X	X	X	X	The new representative body aimed at student members of the membership group is aimed at student members of the Law Society enrolled through the SRA, trainees, and solicitors with up to five years' active PQE
Justice Student Human Rights Network	www.justice.org.uk/shrn_home.php	X				An interactive forum that aims to encourage interest in and improve awareness of human rights among students.
Law Careers Net	www.lawcareers.net	X	X	X	X	Detailed information on job roles, plus traineeships, pupillages/mini-pupillages and paralegal work
Law Centres Federation	www.lawcentres.org.uk	X			X	History & role of law centres & community legal services along with some information and vacancies
Law Works	http://lawworks.org.uk	x		X	x	Information on getting involved in pro bono work, and the benefits.
Law Society	www.lawsociety.org.uk	X	X	X	X	Comprehensive information on law firms (Solicitors On-line) as well as how to

						qualify in detail.
Lawyer 2B	http://l2b.thelawyer.com/	X				Provides the latest news on issues affecting the legal sector as well as careers information.
Legal 500	www.legal500.com	X	X			Searchable database of law firms worldwide plus the legal market; links to other legal sites.
Legal Week	www.legalweekjobs.com				X	Advertises legal roles.
National Association of Licensed Paralegals	www.national-paralegals.co.uk	X	X			Information on role of the paralegal, achieving membership and on qualifications offered.
National Family Mediation Service of Britain	www.nfm.org.uk		X		X	Information on qualifying to work for a network of family mediation centres throughout England and Wales with link to local vacancies.
Professionals in Law	www.professionalsinlaw.com/				X	Advertises a range of legal roles.
Prospects Law	www.prospects.ac.uk/law_sector.htm	X	X	X	X	Provides an overview of working within the legal sector, as well as advertising vacancies.
Pupillage Gateway	www.pupillagegateway.com/	X				Online application system for applying for a Pupillage.
RollonFriday	www.rollonfriday.com	X				Provides new and views the legal profession
Search Legal	www.searchconsultancy.co.uk/job-sectors/legal.aspx				X	Advertises a range of legal related roles.
Simply Law Jobs	www.simplylawjobs.com				X	Specialist recruitment on-line covering a wide range of roles.
Skills for Justice	www.sfjuk.com/sectors/legal-services/	X				Information on a range of careers within the legal sector.
Solicitors' Association of Higher Court Advocates	www.sahca.org.uk		X			Specialist professional body
Solicitors Regulation Authority	www.sra.org.uk	X		X		We are the independent regulatory body

						of the Law Society of England and Wales.
Solicitors in Local Government (England & Wales)	www.slgov.org.uk	X	X	X	X	Information on the role of a local government lawyers, areas of practice, work experience and training contracts, how to apply etc.
Targetjobs Law	http://targetjobs.co.uk/law	X	X	X	X	Information on working and training within the legal sector.
The Lawyer	www.thelawyer.com	X	X		X	General legal news and information and includes a job section
The Times Student Law Special	www.ri5.co.uk/resources/digital-editions/StudentLaw26May11.htm	X	X	X	X	Online digital magazine.
Totally Legal	www.totallylegal.com	X			X	Online recruitment agency for full range of legal roles, with section on regional law labour market.
Waterlow Legal	www.waterlowlegal.com	X			X	On-line directory of solicitors, barristers, legal news; has student section.

Law Blogs						
BabyBarista	www.babybarista.com/	X				BabyBarista is a fictional account of a junior barrister practising at the English Bar along with other associated characters.
Guardian Legal Networks	www.guardian.co.uk/law/series/guardian-legal-network	X				Brings together the best blogs and sites that cover legal affairs and developments from around the world.
Law Society Gazette	www.lawgazette.co.uk/blogs	X				Information about current and recent issues & events within the legal sector.

Lawyer Watch	http://lawyerwatch.wordpress.com/	X				Research and Commentary on the Legal Professions
University of Northampton Law Careers Blog	http://northampton-law-careers.blogspot.co.uk/	X	X	X	X	This blog contains news articles, events, vacancies and lots more for those of you looking to work within the legal sector.

The '*Comments*' in the table above reflect the findings at the time of investigation. Further research may reveal additional information. If you find any other useful websites please notify us.