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BTEC APPLIED LAW

COURSE GUIDE 2017

“The law is the reason, free from passion.”

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What is the BTEC National Qualification in Applied Law?

The BTEC Level 3 in Law at Carmel College gives you the opportunity to study Law following a more flexible, unit based structure which involves project based assessments alongside external exams. You will develop a holistic understanding of what is involved, both theoretically and practically allowing you to succeed in industry or in higher education. BTEC Nationals are widely recognised by industry and higher education as the signature vocational qualification at Level 3.

You will have the opportunity to study the course as a single qualification which is the equivalent to 1 A Level (Extended Certificate). BTEC Nationals are accepted by over 150 UK universities and higher education institutes for relevant degree programmes either on their own or in combination with A Levels.

What will I study?

The BTEC National covers most of the material that the A Level specification covers. This includes:

Dispute Solving in Civil Law

You will explore how civil disputes are resolved, both in the courts and by alternative means. You will examine the making and working of precedent and its application in the law of negligence. This unit uses the law of negligence and the way in which claims, such as damage or losses resulting from a car crash or causing injury to another person, are dealt with in English law.

Investigating Aspects of Criminal Law and the Legal System

You will research how laws are made and interpreted, who advises and decides on the outcome of criminal cases and the punishments that can be imposed if laws are broken. You will cover the Non-Fatal offences of assault, battery, ABH, Wounding/GBH as well as looking at the aims, types and factors to consider when sentencing.

You will also study an optional module. Here you will be able to choose between Contract Law or Tort Law. Contract Law looks at issues such as how is a contract formed? Was there and intention to create legal relations? Was there acceptance of an offer? How can you breach a contract? Tort Law will

build on your dispute solving module and will cover issues such as claiming for psychiatric damage and economic loss, medical negligence, liability for defective goods, vicarious liability and damages.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed in a number of different and engaging ways and the assessment methods vary to include communications used in the current legal world. This could be a report, presentation, debate or Prezi. You will also be involved practically in activities such as visiting Courts, Solicitors and Prisons.

58% of the assessments are external. The rest of the assessments will be internal.

Where does the course lead?

A BTEC Level 3 can lead to a similar course at university, an apprenticeship, employment in a small or large organisation. Of course, a BTEC can be built into a programme that also includes A Level courses, and you could always go down routes related to that.

All BTEC Nationals provide transferable knowledge and skills that prepare learners for progression to higher education. You also benefit from opportunities for deep learning where they are able to make connections among units and select areas of interest for detailed study.

What are the entry requirements for this course?

You will need a **grade 4 in GCSE English Language and English Literature.**

Meet the Tutors

Vicky Bryant

Head of Faculty / Head of Department

Karl Reid

Subject Tutor

Nicola Newton

Subject Tutor
Head of Gifted and Talented

Our students say...

Carmel College is an extremely supportive and caring environment, which enables you to reach your full potential.

I particularly love studying Law as it is a highly engaging and exciting subject, which pushes you academically. Within the Law Department I have been able to participate in amazing extra-curricular activities such as the National Bar Mock Trials, the Law Society and a visit to Liverpool Crown Court, which has facilitated my studies and enhanced my university applications. After Carmel, I hope to study Law at university with the aspiration of working on miscarriages of justice in the future. I would highly recommend Law to anyone who wants to study an interesting but challenging subject.



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