



## Studying Law at University

My name is Layyah and I'm a Law student at the University of Leicester 😊 I chose to study Law as I was intrigued about our English Legal System and wanted to learn more about how law frames our society today. I also enjoyed studying English and History, and Law combines both subjects, creating a whole new world of information!

## Law School Modules

One of the best things about studying Law at University is the freedom to choose your modules! Law is such a broad subject, and we choose what we'd like to specialise in. (Modules are like topics within a subject – some topics you have to study, but there are loads of choices for optional topics too)

In my first year, we studied most of the core modules for a Qualifying Law Degree. We looked at a range of things, from contracts to government, as well as learning the basics of our English Legal System. The first year of university is brilliant for becoming accustomed to all that is new. Our tutors are so helpful and understanding, they made my first year a breeze! As many people are from different walks of life and have different educational backgrounds, we were taught everything and given as much support as we required.

**TOP TIP:** Ask for support! Tutors are more than willing to help and there are many different ways to communicate with them.



My second year was the first year that I got to choose a particular module. I chose to study Company Law, alongside Criminal Law, Land Law, and European Union Law. Despite most of these modules being necessary to qualify as a lawyer, they were super exciting! I really began to see how the law affects everything we do. Leicester Law School offers prizes for various things. At the end of my second year, I won a prize for the best performance in Criminal Law. These achievements really help you feel motivated to complete your work to the best of your ability!

**TOP TIP:** Attend as much as you can! Lectures, seminars, and tutorials are all so much fun once you attend consistently.

In my third year, I felt awfully upset that it was my final year of such an amazing course. However, all but one of my modules were chosen by me and I had such fun studying the things I loved! I chose a mix of modules, some more practical than others. One of my modules required me to work on actual legal cases to develop my skills. It was so exciting to put everything I had learnt into practice. Many people often describe their third year of university as the most difficult, but at Leicester Law School, it was definitely the most exciting!

**TOP TIP:** Get involved! Enjoy your time at university whilst you can and try to get involved with everything your degree has to offer.

## Law School Facilities



One of the best things about Leicester Law School is the Harry Peach library. Separate to the library on the main campus, the Harry Peach library is situated within the Law School, filled with hundreds of old books. It's also a really great place to get creative with your work as the tables are enormous! Adjacent to the Law School is The David Wilson Library, used by students across the University, which is also a great space for revision and socialising. The library café is a fantastic place to meet friends whilst grabbing a snack. You can also book study rooms, which are really useful when partaking in the group projects often set in your first year of Law!

Aside from the libraries, there are many other facilities available to aid your learning. The Law School Reception is a great place to start if you need any support whatsoever. Additionally, each student is assigned a Year Tutor, and you can drop in or book appointments for any support you may need. You may choose to have a mentor, who can help coach you through your degree, as well as general student life.

## Extra-Curricular Activities



Alongside your degree, there is a vast array of extra-curricular activities to get involved with. Each year, the Law



School organises a Law Fair where you can meet a host of employers and education providers to further your career and education in law. The Law Fair is a great opportunity to learn more about where your degree can take you. Law is such a versatile degree that opens up many paths for your future.

One of the most exciting things about studying Law at university is the opportunity to enrol in societies. There are many societies you can choose to get involved with, but for Law specifically, I found that joining both the Law Society and the Pro Bono Society were great ways to enhance my experience. The Law Society hosts many events, the most pertinent being the annual Law Ball, which is a lovely way to end the academic year. The Pro Bono Society allows you to work on a project that interests you! You may choose to visit schools and teach children about Law. You may wish to get involved with Amicus and fundraise for an American charity that helps those on death row. You could choose to work for the Legal Advice Clinic and provide legal assistance to members of our local community. To find out more about the Pro Bono Society, you can visit their [home page at UoL Pro Bono](#)

Hopefully, this blog post helps you make an informed choice about what you wish to study! Always remember to think about what interests you 😊