

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	LAW5070

5	Module Overview
<p>Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is an optional module that forms one of your choices on the programme to provide an examination of methods of resolving disputes other than by means of litigation.</p> <p>ADR is a popular method of both domestic and international dispute resolution, often involving cross-border disputes. Processes central to ADR include negotiation, mediation, arbitration and adjudication. The module aims to balance both theoretical and practical elements of these processes. Your study will commence with an examination of the general processes and principles of dispute resolution and civil justice reform, and progresses to a practical dimension allowing you to engage in experiential learning as you develop your skills in negotiation, mediation and arbitration processes. The module will also consider the role of ADR in a wider business context to reflect the interdisciplinary nature of the process.</p> <p>In line with the LLB programme philosophy and aims, the module is practice led and knowledge applied: the class-based activities and assessment are highly interactive in nature and designed to encourage you to participate and engage with authentic simulations that you can expect to encounter in a legal and business environment. This will enable you to develop and demonstrate a wide range of transferrable skills, including: oral and written communication skills; research skills; teamwork; self-reflection; time management and working under pressure.</p> <p>A key aim of the learning and teaching strategy is to enable you to develop skills and knowledge that can be transferred into the working environment. Part of the assessment requirement, to provide a Strategic Review Document showing your preparation and strategy, will help you to develop and fine-tune these skills.</p> <p>Negotiation and mediation simulations pervade the module, in line with the skills focused learning and teaching strategy. You will have opportunities to practice throughout the module so that you can see how you are progressing towards achieving the module's learning outcomes. The skills you will practice on this module are directly relevant to you in your future employment. These skills are relevant to a career in the legal profession and are also applicable in many other professional and business sectors.</p> <p>This module will be delivered through weekly lectures, workshops and prescribed Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) activities on Moodle.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
	Domestic dispute resolution International dispute resolution Negotiation Mediation Arbitration Adjudication Oral and written communication skills Research skills Teamwork Self-reflection Time management

7	Module Learning Outcomes
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:
1	Engage effectively within a team negotiation.
2	Achieve results when working under pressure.
3	Demonstrate adoption of key principles and good practices of ADR in your negotiation.
4	Present an effective negotiation strategy and reflect on the experience.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1, 2			X
3, 4	X		

9	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities
Learning Activities	Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	36
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	36
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	128
Total Study Hours:	200