

IB3F2-15 Company Law

23/24

Department

Warwick Business School

Level

Undergraduate Level 3

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Module duration

10 weeks

Assessment

100% exam

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

This is an elective module available for final year WBS and non-WBS students.

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3. To understand the rights and remedies available to the main stakeholders in UK companies.
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Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

- Formation and constitution of business organisations – Agency law.
- Formation and constitution of business organisations - Partnerships.
- Formation and constitution of business organisations – Corporations and legal personality.
- Formation and constitution of business organisations – formation and constitution of a company.
- Capital and the financing of companies – share capital, loan capital and capital maintenance/dividend law.
- Management, administration and regulation of companies – directors, other officers.
- Management, administration and regulation of companies – meetings and resolutions.
- Insolvency law – insolvency and administration.
- Corporate fraudulent and criminal behaviour.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Understand the legal structure of UK business organisations.
- Understand the key concepts of UK company law.
- Understand the rights and remedies available to the main stakeholders in UK companies.
- Demonstrate the ability to analyse legal problems and apply problem-solving techniques to hypothetical situations.
- Demonstrate legal research skills and the ability to critically evaluate legal principles and law in practice.

Indicative reading list

McLaughlin, S. *Unlocking Company Law*, 3rd Ed, 2015 Routledge.

Mayson, French & Ryan, *Company Law*, 33rd edition, 2016, Oxford University Press.

Jones, L. *Introduction to Business Law*, 2nd Ed, 2012/13 Oxford University Press.

Subject specific skills

Demonstrate the ability to analyse legal problems and apply problem-solving techniques to hypothetical situations.

Transferable skills

Reading and independent research for assessments including the library and electronic sources.

Seminar preparation and oral contribution in seminars.

Responding to seminar feedback.

Analysing texts and legal problems.

Communicating complex ideas in an understandable and effective manner.

Presenting both sides of an argument in a legal dispute.

Critically evaluating the current legal framework and considering a range of alternative proposals for reform.

Supporting legal arguments by reference to appropriate sources including legislation and relevant case law.

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	10 sessions of 1 hour (7%)
Seminars	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)
Online learning (independent)	10 sessions of 1 hour (7%)
Private study	48 hours (32%)
Assessment	73 hours (49%)
Total	150 hours

Private study description

Private Study.

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group B3

	Weighting	Study time
In-person Examination	100%	73 hours

- Answerbook Pink (12 page)

Feedback on assessment

Feedback will be provided in-class and via my.wbs.

[Past exam papers for IB3F2](#)

Availability

Courses

This module is Optional for:

- UECA-3 Undergraduate Economics 3 Year Variants
 - Year 3 of L100 Economics
 - Year 3 of L100 Economics
 - Year 3 of L100 Economics
- UPHA-L1CA Undergraduate Economics, Psychology and Philosophy
 - Year 3 of L1CA Economics, Psychology and Philosophy
 - Year 3 of L1CC Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Behavioural Economics Pathway)
 - Year 3 of L1CD Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Economics with Philosophy Pathway)
 - Year 3 of L1CE Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Philosophy and Psychology Pathway)
- UPHA-L1CB Undergraduate Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (with Intercalated Year)
 - Year 4 of L1CG Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Behavioural Economics Pathway) (with Intercalated Year)
 - Year 4 of L1CH Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Economics with Philosophy Pathway) (with Intercalated Year)
 - Year 4 of L1CJ Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (Philosophy and Psychology Pathway) (with Intercalated Year)
 - Year 4 of L1CB Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (with Intercalated Year)
 - Year 4 of L1CB Economics, Psychology and Philosophy (with Intercalated Year)
- USTA-G300 Undergraduate Master of Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
 - Year 3 of G300 Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
 - Year 4 of G300 Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics

This module is Unusual option for:

- UPHA-L1CA Undergraduate Economics, Psychology and Philosophy
 - Year 2 of L1CA Economics, Psychology and Philosophy
 - Year 3 of L1CA Economics, Psychology and Philosophy

This module is Option list B for:

- USTA-Y602 Undergraduate Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics
 - Year 3 of Y602 Mathematics, Operational Research, Stats, Economics

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