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## **OUR DEGREE PROGRAMS**

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- LLB Law (Senior Status)
- LLB Law
- LLB Law (Major) with French
- MLaw Masters in Law
- LLM Programs and PhD

## **WELCOME**



At Queen's we offer students the opportunity to study law in a world-class, cosmopolitan, research-led University built on over 180 years of history and heritage, where the low cost of living and range of scholarships means your money goes further.

Based in the heart of Belfast, a vibrant UK capital city that is safe and easy to get around, and with excellent employment opportunities and support for your future career, Queen's really is a place like no other.

We are proud to be a member of the Law Schools Global League and a member of the Russell Group – the UK's Ivy League.

We have fantastic students, their academic accomplishments matched only by their enthusiasm to get involved in the wider University community. This is reflected in wide-ranging contributions to clubs, societies and pro-bono activities.

Our students are taught by an outstanding School, many of whom are well-established scholars at the forefront of their fields.

Queen's has excellent connections with the legal profession in the UK, Ireland and internationally. Our alumni play an important role in supporting current students for life after their studies.

Thank you for considering our University for the next step in your education and student experience. We would very much look forward to welcoming you to our beautiful School, University and city.

**Prof. Marek Martyniszyn**  
Director of Internationalization  
Professor of Competition Law and Policy,  
School of Law



# LLB LAW (SENIOR STATUS)

## FEES AND FUNDING

International Fees £22,400  
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## PLACES

Approximately 30

## DURATION

2 years full-time

## TEACHING TIMES

Morning/Afternoon

## OVERVIEW

The LLB (Senior Status) is an accelerated two-year law degree for Northern Ireland, England and Wales, Canada and other jurisdictions. It is primarily designed for non-law graduates who wish to obtain a law degree or who have an interest in reading law as a second academic degree.

Students will have the opportunity to gain skills and knowledge in core legal subjects as well as real-world skills that they will be able to utilize in future employment.

## PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The degree offers students the opportunity to study the courses required to allow them to progress to the next stage of their legal education. In addition, students can select elective courses in their final year. This provides the opportunity for students to explore their interests, specialize in a particular area, or simply receive a more rounded sense of what 'law' is. Many of these courses consider law and law-like interactions on a local, national and international level.

## Year 1

- Legal Methods and Skills
- Employability and Clinical Skills
- Contract Law
- Tort
- Criminal Law
- Constitutional and Administrative Law

## Year 2

- Land Law
- Equity and Trusts
- EU Law in a Changing World
- Evidence and Criminal Procedure

Students may select two electives from a range of options. These are subject to change.

- Canadian Constitutional Law
- Company Law and Corporate Governance
- Employment Law
- Financial Services Law
- Family Law
- Gender and the Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Criminal and Transitional Justice
- International Humanitarian Law
- International Trade Law
- Law and Psychology
- Legal Theory
- Medical Law and Ethics
- Sentencing

## ASSESSMENT

The way in which students are assessed will vary according to the learning objectives of each course. Some courses are assessed solely through project work or written assignments. Others are assessed through a combination of coursework and end of year examinations. Details of how each course is assessed are shown in the Student Handbook which is provided to all students during their first year induction.

## SPECIAL FEATURES

### • NEW! Canadian Constitutional Law module

Queen's University Belfast is a popular destination for Canadian students wishing to obtain a law degree from the UK. Some of our Canadian students choose to remain in the UK and Ireland, whilst the majority choose to return home to practice. Students beginning their Law studies with Queen's will benefit from the introduction of a new Canadian Constitutional Law module onto the curriculum. This module will be available to students on the LLB undergraduate program and the LLB (Senior Status) graduate entry program. The introduction of the module will support Canadian students intending to qualify in Canada to prepare for the NCA challenge exams. The module will be optional for all students to ensure that maximum choice and preference in course specializations remains core to the Queen's offering. This is part of the Queen's University package of support for Canadians wishing to return home to practice. Additional support includes mentoring from alumni who are practicing law in Canada, as well as talks and presentations from the NCA on qualifying in Canada.

- Our students benefit from the School of Law at Queen's having a well-established tradition of regular consultation with legal professional bodies and top international law firms. Law students have the unique opportunity of working with industry leaders through commercial awareness events and other negotiation exercises that offer insight into the legal practice (and services) world but also providing an enhanced skills development experience.

- Law at Queen's is taught by world-leading experts in the area of Law including Commercial Law, Human Rights and Criminology. Our staff have close research links with the professions, government and civil society.



**Jeffrey Tso**  
LLB Law (Senior Status) Graduate  
Toronto, Canada

"I finished my undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in Pharmacy in Canada. I was at a graduate fair in Canada where I saw the Queen's Law School stand. They told me about the fast-track Senior Status two-year program. Law is something I wanted to pursue. There are so many tools you can use, even if you don't want to be a barrister or solicitor. There's lots of usages for a Law degree e.g. human rights and patient care, pharmaceutical drug distribution, post-conflict society.

The majority of classes are in the same beautiful new building. Study spaces in the building are quiet, with big tables to spread out my books. A lot of the materials are online, but the McClay Library has a good source for books too. Our tutorials are an amazing way to learn. There's a lot of self-study, guided by professors and teaching assistants to develop our own sense of critical thinking. The majority of students are from arts and humanities backgrounds e.g. history, philosophy, politics, sciences, but also professional paralegals with practical knowledge.

Everything is within walking distance to class, to Botanic Gardens, close to the courts and the city centre. The PEC gym is well equipped, with a rock climbing wall, exercise classes and is inexpensive for membership. I get involved in the Student Clubs which host conferences by Law firms and I joined LawPod. There's a surf club and we go to Portrush and Donegal and enjoy the beautiful breath-taking coasts of Ireland."



**Karina Salati**  
LLB Law (Senior Status) Graduate  
Ottawa, Canada

"I graduated with the LLB (Senior Status) program and recently started work for FinTrU here in Belfast, an international firm that designs technology-enabled solutions for financial services.

The transition into the professional world has been enjoyable, using skills I was able to build through all the wonderful opportunities at Queen's. This included honing my negotiation skills through the Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, advancing my research skills through the Street Law Research Project, and building on my legal writing skills through assignments and a Law Centre NI Placement opportunity.

These unique opportunities and the many events organized by the School of Law allowed me to be successful in securing my current role as a Financial Analyst - a field switch that I was eager to experience because of the vast opportunities, training and skill-building.

I am truly grateful for the growth I experienced at Queen's. The experience of living abroad and getting to know a new city, all the time being supported by the university, has been a great way to advance my career."

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PLACES

TBC

DURATION

3 years full-time

TEACHING TIMES

Morning/Afternoon

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OVERVIEW

Law looks at the relationships, interactions and transactions between individuals, government and state at a local, regional, national and international level. With a broad focus and application, the law degree encompasses private and public law alongside wider socio-legal perspectives. You will study key aspects of the law and develop a wide range of transferable skills, relevant to your future career trajectory. Our links with the professions, the wide range of additional opportunities within the School and the development of a highly nuanced skill set helps to create highly sought-after graduates.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The degree offers students the opportunity to study the modules required for the academic stage of legal qualification. In addition, students are offered the opportunity to explore their interests in final year with modules offered that allow them to specialize in a particular area, or simply receive a more rounded sense of what ‘Law’ is. Many of these modules consider law and law-like interactions on a local, national and international level.

Stage 1

- Careers and Employability
- Constitutional and Administrative Law
- Contract Law
- Tort
- Legal Methods and Skills
- Criminal Law

Stage 2

- EU Law in a Changing World
- Equity and Trusts
- Land Law
- Evidence and Criminal Procedure
- Company Law and Corporate Governance
- Family Law

Stage 3

Students will choose up to six optional modules:

- The Practice of Public Law Northern Ireland
- Canadian Constitutional Law
- Company Law and Corporate Governance
- Housing Law and Policy
- Law and Psychology
- Medical Law and Ethics
- EU Law in a Changing World
- Careers and Placement Module
- The Law and the Dead
- Media Law
- Law, Literature, and Social Justice
- The Law of Coroners and Inquest
- Equality in Practice
- Dissertation
- Regulating Commercial Sex
- Contemporary Issues in British and Irish Human Rights
- Employment Law
- Legal Theory
- Competition Law
- Gender and the Law
- Public International Law
- Criminology: Theory and Practice
- Sentencing
- Criminal Liability
- Financial Services Law
- Clinical Law
- International Criminal and Transitional Justice
- International Humanitarian Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Trade Law
- Research Project

\*Please note this is not an exclusive list of the optional modules available. Optional modules are subject to staff availability and change each academic year.

WHY QUEEN'S?

Qualifying as a Lawyer

All of the undergraduate Law degrees offered at Queen's are recognized qualifying law degrees by legal professional bodies in Northern Ireland.

They also help to prepare students for the next stage of legal qualification in England Wales, the Republic of Ireland and other jurisdictions across the globe.

Opportunity for Specialization

Students can tailor their degree to suit their needs. We have an extensive range of optional modules which allow students to specialize in their chosen area of law.

Global Opportunities

You will have the opportunity to take part in overseas exchanges with partner universities in Europe, North America and China.

World-Class Facilities

The £20 million School at Queen's offers students access to world-class facilities such as a fully interactive Moot Court room, social space and bookable study rooms, and our One Button (Recording) Studio.

Student Experience

Students can join a number of student-led initiatives within the School including Women in Law, the Law Society, the Alternative Dispute Resolution Society and the Street Law Project. Other initiatives include the Queen's Student Law Journal, Lawyers without Borders, the student magazine 'The Verdict', the Mooting Society and LawPod podcasting. There is an opportunity to undertake a work placement (minimum of 100 hours) and attain School accreditation as part of your degree.

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SPECIAL FEATURES

- World-class facilities including a court room, recording studio and dedicated study rooms.
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# LLB LAW (MAJOR) WITH FRENCH

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## PLACES

TBC

## DURATION

4 years full-time

## TEACHING TIMES

Morning/Afternoon

## OVERVIEW

This is a fully integrated program between Law and French. The degree includes a year abroad which provides a unique opportunity for linguistic development. In a globalised workforce proficiency in an additional language, together with the experience of studying abroad, significantly enhances your employability.

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### Stage 1

- Careers and Employability
- Contract Law
- Careers and Employability
- French 1
- Legal Methods & Skills
- Constitutional and Administrative Law

### Stage 2

- Torts
- Criminal Law
- Company Law and Corporate Governance
- EU Law in a Changing World
- French 2

### Stage 3

*Core Modules:*

- French 3
- Torts
- Land Law
- Equity & Trusts
- Contract Law

*Optional Modules:*

- Competition Law
- Irish Land Law and Succession
- The Practice of Public Law Northern Ireland
- Research Project
- Criminology: Theory and Practice
- Careers and Placement Module
- Regulating Commercial Sex
- Evidence & Criminal Procedure
- Criminal Liability
- Law and Technology
- Family Law
- Legal Theory
- Clinical Law
- Intellectual Property Law
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### French Expertise

French at Queen's is taught by world-leading experts in French and Francophone Culture, with expertise in visual culture, linguistics, popular culture, medical humanities and postcolonial writing.

### Student Experience

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A photograph of three young women sitting in a modern, dimly lit library or study area. They are engaged in conversation. The woman on the left is wearing a white patterned sweater and is gesturing with her hands. The woman in the middle is wearing a black top and a colorful striped scarf. The woman on the right is wearing a dark blue sweater and is smiling. In the foreground, there are large, out-of-focus letters 'S', 'A', and 'L' that appear to be part of a sign or wall. The background shows bookshelves and warm lighting.

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# MLAW

## MASTERS IN LAW

Subject to a programme review for 2026 entry

### FEES AND FUNDING

International fees Etbc  
(£22,850 for 2025 entry)

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academic year, and relate to a single year  
of study unless stated otherwise. Tuition  
fees will be subject to an annual inflationary  
increase, unless explicitly stated otherwise.*

### PLACES

Approximately 40

### DURATION

2 years full-time  
4 years part-time

### TEACHING TIMES

Morning/Afternoon

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### OVERVIEW

The MLaw is an accelerated two-year full-time (or four-year part-time) postgraduate degree in law. It is designed for UK non-law graduates, and for law and non-law graduates from other countries who wish to acquire a thorough grounding in UK law. The specially devised curriculum builds on the fact that students have already benefited from a university level education by enabling them to acquire a qualifying law degree in 2 years, rather than the 3 years it would normally take to obtain an LLB. The degree offers the highest quality of teaching, delivered through weekly seminars.

### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The MLaw is offered on a modular basis. To complete the degree a total of 300 CATS points must be obtained. Twelve modules (20 CATS each) must be taken and a dissertation (60 CATS) must be completed.

*Note: The module list below is indicative  
and may change as part of the  
programme review for 2026 entry.*

#### Year 1

- Constitutional Law in Context
- Criminal Law
- European Constitutional Law
- European Internal Market Law
- Legal Methods and Skills
- Administrative Law

#### Dissertation

- Commenced over the summer between Years 1 and 2 and submitted at end of Year 2

#### Year 2

- Company Law and Corporate Governance
- Contract Law
- Equity
- Evidence
- Land Law
- Tort

### ASSESSMENT

Primarily assessed by coursework (eg: assignments, take-home exams, MCQs and presentations). In addition, students must also complete a maximum 15,000 word dissertation, supervised by a member of academic staff with a research interest in the chosen topic.

Students who secure a summer work placement of at least 8 weeks in their final year, can complete a Dissertation in Practice Module including 12,000 word dissertation and 3,000 word reflective journal of the learning experience.

### SPECIAL FEATURES

- The MLaw is recognized by the Law Society and the Bar Council as a qualifying Law degree for practice in Northern Ireland, England and Wales. Students hoping to practice in another jurisdiction should contact that jurisdiction's regulatory body.
- This Master's program is particularly attractive for those who wish to enter the legal profession, for whom it is an alternative to a graduate level CPE/ GDL program. By spreading study over 2 years of intensive postgraduate-level work, students gain a greater depth of understanding than is possible in one-year CPE programs.

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# LLM PROGRAMS

### FEES AND FUNDING

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(£21,500 for 2025 entry)

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of study unless stated otherwise. Tuition  
fees will be subject to an annual inflationary  
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### PLACES

25-50 depending on program

### DURATION

1 year full-time

### TEACHING TIMES

Morning/Afternoon

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### LLM CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

This exciting, stimulating, and topical program is taught by internationally recognized scholars and researchers who offer students a wide introduction to the study of crime and criminal justice in contemporary society. Staff members have strong links with local criminal justice agencies and community organizations as well as extensive comparative and international expertise, providing for a unique student experience.

This degree will be of considerable relevance and interest to those who are already employed in criminal justice-related work in fields such as legal practice, government, non-governmental organizations, as well as equipping those who have just completed undergraduate degrees to develop the knowledge and skills to pursue criminal justice-related careers or undertake advanced level study.

### LLM INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

This innovative program offers a unique focus on the intersections between globalization, creative industries, health and life sciences, new technological challenges, and fundamental rights in the field of intellectual property law. The program will provide students with a general overview of IP law through three core modules and a flexible structure, which allows students to tailor their studies to their specific interests and career goals with three major tracks, including IP and global trade, IP and digital tech, global innovation and public interest.

This program is an excellent base for students who wish to find employment as in-house legal specialists in the high-tech, life-science and creative industries or as IP litigators, patent lawyers, trademark attorneys, or licensing executives, among other roles. Students may also work in the public sector, advising government agencies on intellectual property law matters or working for non-governmental organizations focused on intellectual property issues.



### LLM INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL AND BUSINESS LAW

The LLM International Commercial and Business Law program is designed as a research-led program for graduates from law and related disciplines who aim to specialize in commercial law, international trade and cross-border business transactions from a socio-legal perspective. It will help you understand and master the highly dynamic and complex legal and regulatory regimes governing international business and the global economy.

If you aim for a career in corporate, financial or commercial law, our program will equip you with solid knowledge and an advanced understanding of the key principles, rules and practices in areas such as corporate governance, corporate law, competition law, financial law, and trade law.

### LLM INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

The protection of human rights at the international and national levels is a fast moving branch of law. There has been a huge growth in the number and variety of human rights standards set out in international treaties, in national constitutions and so-called 'soft-law' documents. These standards are not always fully implemented and the mechanisms for trying to get them implemented are sometimes defective.

The LLM in International Human Rights Law program at Queen's provides students with an opportunity to gain an in-depth appreciation of global human

rights standards and the interrelationship between international standards and national practice. In particular, we consider ways in which human rights could be protected more effectively so that human beings everywhere can realize their full human dignity.

Human rights research and teaching has been carried out at Queen's since 1990. In addition to teaching, there is also a thriving Human Rights Centre at Queen's. The Centre has strong links with civil society organizations, statutory human rights bodies and international human rights institutions and networks.

### LLM LAW

The LLM (Law) provides ambitious graduates with a highly flexible approach to advanced legal studies, focused on the School of Law's specialisms in criminal justice, European law, Law and Technology public and environmental governance, human rights and international business. The program reflects the School's global orientation and its culture of critical enquiry and as such we encourage you to devise the pathway that best suits your scholarly interests and your career ambitions.

### LLM LAW AND TECHNOLOGY

This advanced program helps students gain a deep appreciation of how law interacts with technological innovation. What social challenges are posed by technological change? How does law address those challenges? And what impact does technological innovation have on the practice of law?

Drawing on the School of Law's substantial profile in technology, e-governance, intellectual property and innovation, students on the program have the opportunity to develop specialist expertise in law, governance and the 'fourth industrial revolution'.

The program places employability skills at its heart. Employers are very interested in law graduates who are tech-savvy and are clear and comfortable communicators, whether with clients or more generally. We embed skills-development directly into the curriculum as such, through project-based learning work, computational skills and elsewhere.

### STUDY FOR A PHD IN LAW

The School of Law at Queen's has a long and distinguished record of achievement in both education and research. We are ranked as a leading centre for legal research in the UK, and our academics are recognized experts at home and abroad.

We offer PhD supervision across the legal field, supporting a range of approaches, from the doctrinal to the sociolegal, comparative, criminological and critical.

Our doctoral students go to exciting careers, including as academics at law schools across the UK. Our base in Belfast gives us direct contact with the legal profession and judiciary, allowing excellent access in terms of the study of law and legal practice.



# ACCREDITATION

Queen’s University Belfast has a long history of international students studying law with us. Upon completion of their studies, some students choose to stay and practice in the UK or Ireland whilst others return to their home country or other jurisdictions to embark on their legal careers.

## CANADA

To practice law in Canada, graduates who have obtained a law degree in another country must first apply to the **National Committee on Accreditation (NCA)** to have their legal education credentials evaluated in order to obtain a **Certificate of Qualification** before they seek entrance to a Bar in Canada.

Upon review of your completed application, the NCA assesses the qualification of individuals with legal qualifications obtained outside of Canada who wish to be admitted to a common law bar in Canada. Accreditation is decided on an individual basis, taking into account the individual’s education (*this includes the quality of the grades attained during your degree*) and professional background. After reviewing an application, the NCA will issue their findings to the applicant, listing the subjects and/or legal education required to ensure that the applicant’s legal education and training is comparable to that provided by an approved Canadian law school.

Most law societies in Canada accept the NCA’s Certificate of Qualification for entry to their bar admissions process. Additional requirements for the Canadian Bar are determined by the **National Committee on Accreditation (NCA)** for all provinces except Quebec.

For more information, see **Application Form for Evaluation of Legal Credentials - National Committee on Accreditation**.

- For information on specific provinces,
- See **New Admissions – The Law Society of British Columbia (BC)**
  - Prerequisites for Admissions to Law Society of Ontario <http://go.qub.ac.uk/CLjbc>



## CASE STUDY

Bronagh M Kelly  
LLM Law

### NEVADA YOUNG LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Bronagh M Kelly, LLB was awarded the State Bar of Nevada Young Lawyer of the Year Award in recognition of outstanding professional and public service achievements.

Speaking to Queen’s, Bronagh said: “It is such an honour to receive the State Bar of Nevada 2020 Young Lawyer of the Year Award. I have a passion for the practice of Family Law and am very privileged to be able to serve my community.”

#### “Queen’s provided me with the groundwork on which to build my career”

Graduating from Queen’s with a Bachelor of Laws in Common and Civil Law with Hispanic Studies, Bronagh spent her third year studying in Spain. “I love that I was able to combine my legal studies with my passion for foreign languages.”

“Queen’s University Belfast provided me with the groundwork on which to build my career,” according to Bronagh. “The opportunities were endless and the encouragement received... enabled me to pursue my dream of starting my career in New York City.”

#### Career progression

After graduating, Bronagh passed the New York Bar Exam and began practicing at the renowned firm of Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin, gaining extensive litigation experience and handling complex commercial liability cases from inception through resolution.

She then relocated to Reno and joined Woodburn and Wedge, transitioning her practice from commercial defence litigation to family law. Her current areas of practice ranges from family mediation to adoption matters.

#### A passion for good causes

Actively involved in the legal and non-legal community, Bronagh has at least two active pro bono cases at all times. In addition, Bronagh continues to volunteer for charitable good causes. “I am passionate that justice, and the legal system, must be accessible to all, not just those who can afford to pay.”

#### Making connections at Queen’s

“The connections I made during my time at Queen’s have proven to be invaluable to me. None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the instruction and guidance provided by all during my time at Queen’s University Belfast.”



# ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

## CANADA

### UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

PROGRAM	REQUIREMENT
LLB Law	The Canadian High School Diploma (Grade 12) with 85% overall
LLB Law (Major) with French	The Canadian High School Diploma (Grade 12) with 85% overall
LLB Law (Major) with Politics	The Canadian High School Diploma (Grade 12) with 85% overall
LLB Law (Senior Status)	A good four-year Bachelor degree or three-year Baccalauréat with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4 point scale, 6.0 on a 9 point scale, 8.0 on a 12 point scale or 73% (where the pass mark is 50%)

### POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMS

PROGRAM	REQUIREMENT
LLM programs	A good four-year Bachelor degree or three-year Baccalauréat with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4 point scale, 6.0 on a 9 point scale, 8.0 on a 12 point scale or 73% (where the pass mark is 50%) in Law, Social Sciences, Humanities or a cognate discipline

# SCHOLARSHIPS

Queen’s offers a range of scholarships for international students. Please refer to the Queen’s website details including information about all other scholarships.

For more information or enquiries, please email [internationalscholarships@qub.ac.uk](mailto:internationalscholarships@qub.ac.uk)

### INTERNATIONAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Automatic £2,000 fee discount for all new international students on LLM programs. *No application necessary. Students will be automatically assessed for the award.*

### LLB LAW (SENIOR STATUS) SCHOLARSHIP

A £4,000 discount for new students enrolling in their first year of full-time study. *No application necessary. Students will be automatically assessed for the award.*

### EARLY CONFIRMATION AWARD

An additional £1,000 discount if fees are paid by stipulated date. *No application necessary. Students will be automatically assessed for the award.*

### VICE CHANCELLOR’S INTERNATIONAL ATTAINMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Four exceptional new postgraduate international students enrolling on one of the specified full-time postgraduate taught programs (includes several LLM Law programs) will receive this prestigious award.

### QUEEN’S FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

A 20% fee reduction for Year 1 of study; for children, grandchildren or brothers and sisters of Queen’s alumni and current students beginning a full-time course at Queen’s University Belfast. *Exclusions apply.*

### QUEEN’S LOYALTY SCHOLARSHIP

A 20% fee reduction for Year 1 of study; available to eligible international students returning to study on a full-time undergraduate, postgraduate taught or postgraduate research programme at Queen’s University Belfast. *Exclusions apply.*

*Terms and conditions apply for all scholarships.*







# ‘CANADIAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW’ MODULE

## QUEEN’S SUPPORTS CANADIANS TO PREPARE FOR NCA CHALLENGE EXAMS

**Queen’s University Belfast is a popular destination for Canadian students wishing to obtain a law degree from the UK. Some of our Canadian students choose to remain in the UK and Ireland, whilst the majority choose to return home to practice.**

Students beginning their Law studies with Queen’s will benefit from the introduction of a new Canadian Constitutional Law module onto the curriculum. This module will be available to students on the LLB undergraduate program and the LLB (Senior Status) graduate entry program. The introduction of the module will support Canadian students intending to qualify in Canada to prepare for the NCA challenge exams.

The module will be optional for all students to ensure that maximum choice and preference in course specializations remains core to the Queen’s offering.

This is part of the Queen’s University package of support for Canadians wishing to return home to practice. Additional support includes mentoring from alumni who are practicing law in Canada, as well as talks and presentations from the NCA on qualifying in Canada.



“I searched across the UK and Canada for a Law School but there was something different about Queen’s. As soon as I set foot on the campus, I knew there was something special. The study environment, the friendly welcome, and the School of Law immediately stood out. I discovered the amazing opportunities on offer for Law students, the extensive support provided (the strong sense of mentorship is fantastic), and the remarkable employment opportunities available for graduates.”

**Justine Van Essen, Canada**  
**LLB Law (Senior Status) Student**  
*A recipient of the Vice Chancellor’s Scholarship*



# ABOUT BELFAST AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Belfast is one of the UK and Ireland's most vibrant and affordable cities, packed with energy, culture and history. Queen's majestic campus is in Queen's Quarter, with cafés, bars, restaurants, plenty of shopping and entertainment venues.

- Great entertainment and nights out; a buzzing arts and social scene from festivals, theatre and international events to historic pubs, stylish bars and brilliant shopping.
- The rest of the UK, Ireland and Europe are within easy reach with accessible airport and transport links to most major cities.
- Beautiful scenery and outdoor adventures such as the Giant's Causeway or hiking in the Mourne Mountains.

## DID YOU KNOW?



**BELFAST HAS A  
PROFESSIONAL ICE  
HOCKEY TEAM CALLED  
THE BELFAST GIANTS**



**BELFAST AND THE  
CAUSEWAY COAST HAVE  
BEEN NAMED A NUMBER  
ONE REGION  
IN THE WORLD TO VISIT**  
(Lonely Planet)



**NORTHERN IRELAND  
WAS NAMED THE  
HAPPIEST PLACE IN  
THE UK**  
(Lloyds Bank Happiness Index 2020)



**NORTHERN IRELAND HAS  
THE LOWEST STUDENT  
LIVING COSTS IN THE UK**  
(Save the Student National Student  
Money Survey 2024)



**ECLECTIC MURALS,  
LIVELY MUSIC SCENE AND  
FRIENDLY COMMUNITY**



**MOURNE  
MOUNTAINS  
AND COASTAL  
COVES**



**MANY LEADING  
INTERNATIONAL LAW  
FIRMS HAVE OFFICES  
IN BELFAST**



# ABOUT QUEEN'S



McClay Library

## WORLD-CLASS CAMPUS

Queen's has one of the most modern campuses in the UK, including the award winning McClay Library, one of the finest libraries in the world and home to 1.2 million volumes and 2,000 reader places. Other highlights include our new-look Students' Union and the state-of-the-art Physical Education Centre. Queen's Elms Student Village or the city centre accommodation Elms BT1 and Elms BT2 are located within easy walking distance of the University.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School at Queen's is located in the beautifully restored and remodelled Victorian Lynn library, where distinguished heritage meets 21st-century vision. This fully accessible space has modern, hi-tech meeting and group study rooms, a silent study area and social spaces. It's a vibrant hub, inspiring intellectual exchange and collaboration.

## NEW STUDENTS' UNION

We're proud to offer a world-class education alongside outstanding student services in a vibrant, inclusive environment – all brought together under one roof at One Elmwood. A new Students' Union space, strong student voice, and inclusive support networks are not just 'extras', they are integral to achieving educational excellence and a brilliant new space for students.



School of Law ground floor café



Graduate School



## TAKE A TOUR



Go on a virtual tour of our contemporary School of Law at the heart of a beautiful city campus.



**QUEEN'S STUDENTS' UNION HAS BEEN NAMED NUMBER ONE ACROSS THE WHOLE OF THE UK**

*What Uni? Student Choice Awards 2025*

New Students' Union







## AN EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EXPERIENCE

**Studying Law at Queen's goes beyond hitting the books – it's about getting involved, making your mark, and contributing to the life of your School and the wider university community.**

We offer lots of activities that provide a platform for students to explore various legal specialisations, refine your professional interests, and gain valuable real-world experience under the guidance of experienced practitioners. Whether it's engaging in moot court, podcasting or debate teams to sharpen your critical thinking, or working on advocacy projects to fuel your passion – you'll find opportunities to nurture your development and grow your network.

Queen's provides a range of free student support services to help students successfully complete their studies. Each program at the School of Law also has a dedicated Advisor of Studies to provide an additional level of support for students.

“During my time at Queen's, I was a board member on several societies and really enjoyed acting as President of the Senior Status Law Society - a community for many international law students to connect and share their experiences.”

**Jessica Richards**  
LLB Law (Senior Status)  
South River, Ontario, Canada



**ABOUT  
QUEEN'S**



**A CANADIAN  
STUDENT'S  
PERSPECTIVE**

### SCHOOL OF LAW

Queen's has spent £20 million on providing a state-of-the-art facility for its Law students.

The Law building is at the heart of the campus, next door to the stunning Graduate School and the Peter Froggatt Teaching Centre. The building is not designed to be just a place where a Law degree is earned. It has been conceived as a flexible space, shared between staff and students at all levels from Undergraduate to Master's and PhD.

Staff and students are able to meet both formally and informally to share and exchange ideas and knowledge. The School of Law building offers genuine world-class facilities for learning and research, including a fully featured Moot Court room and One Button Studio. The One Button Studio is a high-spec recording studio that gives students the facility to record, review, edit and critically analyse their own presence on camera, and to receive feedback from peers and lecturers.

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Our teaching quality is recognized as being of the highest standard. Queen's students are taught by academics who are informed by the latest discoveries in their fields.

Research in Law was ranked 8th in the UK in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (2021).

### ONE OF THE BEST UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD

Law at Queen's has been ranked top 10 in the UK (Complete University Guide 2024) and in the top 150 in the world (QS World Rankings 2025).

Queen's University Belfast is ranked top 200 in the world (QS World University Rankings 2026).

Our dynamic curriculum is attuned to the needs of students and employers and underpins our place in the top 10 for graduate employment in the UK.





## SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES FOR LAW STUDENTS

Here are some of the societies and activities for Law students:

**Senior Status Law Society** - A close-knit network of students.

**Exploring Law Forum (ELF)** - bridge the gap between black letter law and everyday life or put simply: 'law beyond textbooks'.

**Mooting** - simulate court hearings (usually an appeal against a final decision) to analyse problems, conduct research on the relevant legal principles, prepare written submissions, and present oral argument.

**Street Law** - a renowned international initiative that sees students undertake legal research on a particular set of topics, producing educational resources and designing activities and then conveying that legal knowledge to a section of the community.

**LawPod** - work with a small team of fellow students to create podcasts from idea conception to final production. Almost 200 episodes to date have explored the relationship between the law and the complex world we live in.

**Other** - QUB Law Society, Lawyers Without Borders, Women in Law, Walkie Talkie Girlies, Alternative Dispute Resolution Society, Students Against Human Trafficking, Animal Law Society, and the Student Law Journal.

**Sports and Societies** - Queen's also offers students a wide range of communities (over 200) to get involved in depending on your passions and interests. From hiking and ultimate frisbee to Queen's radio and photography - you'll find something to jump into.



**THE SCHOOL OF LAW  
AT QUEEN'S IS RANKED  
THIRD IN THE UK FOR  
GRADUATE PROSPECTS**

(Times and Sunday Times Good University  
Guide 2025)

## STRONG EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT

Queen's Law students benefit from networking and regular consultation with top international law firms and legal professional bodies. Students have the unique opportunity of working with industry leaders through commercial awareness events and negotiation exercises that offer insight into the legal practice and services world as well as developing enhanced skills.

Many international law firms have offices in Belfast, such as Allen & Overy, Herbert Smith Freehills, Pinsent Masons, Baker McKenzie, Arthur Cox etc. Queen's University is connected to over 30 law organisations including some of the world's largest brands. Northern Ireland is also host to many FinTech and other corporate firms such as FinTru, PwC and EY.

Queen's offers a superb support package for Canadians and other international students wishing to return home to practice. The support includes mentoring from alumni who are practising law and talks and presentations from the NCA on qualifying in Canada.



Hiking in the Mourne Mountains

## A TRULY UNIQUE LOCATION





# MEET OUR GRADUATES



JESSICA LONG

**LLB Law**  
**Vice President, Head of Legal**  
**at Allstate Canada Group**

My career

Before being promoted to Vice President, Head of Legal at Allstate Canada Group, I was Senior Manager in Insurance Law and Senior Legal Counsel for the organization. My practice focused on a range of corporate and regulatory compliance matters.

My background

Born in Ottawa, Ontario, I always wanted to study in an English-speaking common law country. I completed a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Politics, and a Masters of Conflict Studies. In Canada there are options to pursue a Juris Doctor or LLB, and I preferred the latter. For my next steps I originally only considered England but after further research I was attracted to the program offerings at Queen’s University Belfast due to its excellent international reputation.

Law at Queen’s

My Law program at Queen’s was a wonderful experience. I got to meet a variety of other local and international law students and thoroughly enjoyed the lively law debates. My Canadian upbringing gave me a different point of view and I always felt safe to voice my opinion and hash out the issues with my classmates. Queen’s is a top-notch institution and provided all the resources for an excellent education that has set me up for success in my career.

Student life

I have been a lifelong competitive swimmer and competed at the junior national and collegiate level in Canada and in the United States. At Queen’s I helped to develop the swimming program and began training and coaching the team. This allowed me the opportunity to travel around the UK for various competitions.

My Belfast experience

Belfast is much smaller than other cities I have lived in previously. The culture of the university and the surrounding downtown was lovely. A short drive from picturesque coastal spots, I made every effort to soak up all parts of Belfast and the surrounding counties. On a Saturday night you could always find me at the Belfast Giants games so I could get my fix of live hockey and, of course, especially cheer on the Canadian players.



TINA YE

**LLB Law Senior Status**  
**Access Pro-Bono, and Law Students’ Legal**  
**Advice Program at the Justice Centre at**  
**BWSS – The University of British Columbia**

My career

I am currently at the Justice Centre at BWSS (Battered Women’s Support Services), Access Pro-Bono, and on the Law Students’ Legal Advice Program. I will be the incoming Articling student at Yan Muirhead LLP with my long-term career focus in litigation.

My background

I decided to pivot into Law after finishing a degree in biological sciences at University of Toronto. Jumping between two completely disparate fields of study posed challenges: I had to think differently, write differently, and analyze problems differently. I will complete my Master of Laws (CL) at UBC Allard School of Law, before entering private practice.

Law at Queen’s

The professors at Queen’s not only delivered on substantive legal knowledge but also the requisite analytical and communication skills important for lawyers. I felt that my legal education was incredibly supported by staff and professors; including the smooth and stress-free switch to online teaching during the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic.

My experience at the School of Law has helped me thoroughly in developing a strong set of legal skills. Overall, I have an immense appreciation for the experiences I had.

Student life

I achieved a First Class Honours and was awarded an LLB Senior Status Excellence Scholarship.

While at Queen’s, I had the opportunity to speak at the Northern Ireland TEDx QUB event, which was a great experience. I participated in and won a student negotiation competition.

My Belfast experience

As a first generation Chinese-Canadian immigrant, I moved to Canada in 2006. Moving to Belfast for studies was a really interesting cultural experience that gave me many unique opportunities and lasting memories.



AUSTIN RONCALI

**Law Senior Status**  
**Lawyer, Toronto**

My career

After being called to the Bar in Ontario, I am now practicing as a lawyer in Toronto.

My background

I am from a small town called Erin which is about an hour outside of Toronto. I majored in Criminal Justice and Public Policy with a minor in Philosophy. Law school was always my dream but so was living abroad.

I chose to undertake the two-year Law Senior Status degree at Queen’s because it was recognized by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada, which meant that I could become a lawyer in Ontario after my completion of the program.

Law at Queen’s

Queen’s is a Russell Group institution that is renowned for its academic achievement and research. During my time there we had access to our own office, private tutorial sessions, personal tutors, and academic advisors who provided constant career guidance. The entire program was committed to helping me succeed and grow at every level.

I loved the tutorial sessions that were taught by local barristers and solicitors. I found these really brought practical application and experience into the classroom, which helped with making sense of how the material could be applied in the field.

Student life

Going to Queen’s was the best decision I have ever made even if the decision to study abroad was a little scary at first. From the moment I landed I felt so welcomed and supported. My time at Queen’s was filled with highlights. I loved how small my cohort was meaning I got to know every one of my classmates personally and learn from them while making some amazing friends for life. Along with a few peers we started an LLB Senior Status Alumni Society.

My Belfast experience

Belfast was an amazing city with a really affordable standard of living. The culture is laid back, the people are so welcoming, the nightlife was fun, and I never ran out of places to explore and things to do. Whether you are heading down to Dublin for the weekend or travelling around the UK or Europe, everything is so accessible, and travel is very affordable.



Information is correct at time of print and is subject to change (September 2025). For current information, please visit [www.qub.ac.uk/courses](http://www.qub.ac.uk/courses)



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