

Course of Study

A student wishing to do the LL.M in Corporate and Commercial Law must complete four courses plus a Research Paper of 15,000 words or six courses.

Candidates registered for the **Postgraduate Diploma** in Corporate and Commercial Law must complete a minimum of twenty-four (24) credit hours of coursework.

Students in the LL.M. and Postgraduate Diploma in Corporate and Commercial Law may select from the following list of courses:

- Banking Law
- E-Commerce Law
- Company Law Theory in Modern Commerce
- Caribbean Business and Public International Law
- Advanced Intellectual Property Law
- Legal Aspects of Corporate Misconduct
- Comparative Labour Law in a Corporate Environment
- Law of Corporate Governance
- Advanced Corporate Finance
- Offshore Financial Law
- Advanced Insurance Law
- Advanced Corporate Insolvency Law
- Advanced International Environmental Law
- Transnational Transactions Law

Qualifying Exam

Applicants may, at the discretion of the Board for Graduate Studies and Research, be required to take a qualifying examination consisting of at least two papers of a minimum of two hours each, which shall be of a standard equivalent to that of Part II or Part III of the LL.B. degree examination.

The language of instruction is English and applicants whose native language is not English may be required to take an English Proficiency Test set on behalf of the Board for Graduate Studies and Research.

How to Apply

Application must be completed online using the website: <http://www.uwimona.edu.jm/postgrad/>

Cost of the Programmes:

LL.M or Postgraduate Diploma in Corporate and Commercial Law: (US\$10,000)

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The Faculty also offers the Masters of Philosophy degree in Law (MPhil) and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in Law (PhD).

UWI also offers a range of MPhil and PhD in a number of areas. Information on these as well as our application process, online application forms and the documentation required can be found at:

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FACULTY OF LAW

LL.M. and Postgraduate Diploma in:

Corporate and Commercial Law



Program Purpose & Description

- The Corporate and Commercial Law Programme aims to enhance the ability of lawyers and other qualified persons working in the corporate and other financial services sector throughout the Region to function more effectively in the areas of Banking Law, Corporate Law, Competition Law, Offshore Financial Law, Corporate Finance and Insolvency Law, International Trade Law, Intellectual Property Law and Transnational and Commercial Transactions Law. These persons must be better equipped to address the issues and problems arising in these areas and to serve as policy advisors to corporate clients and regional Governments; to undertake complex litigation on behalf of their Governments and corporate clients before international tribunals, regional courts and of course, the CCIJ; and, above all, must contribute to the development of a Caribbean Jurisprudence in this area of Corporate and Commercial Law.
- Programme Objectives:**
- By the end of the Programmes students should be better equipped:
- With a greater understanding of the issues in at least four specialized areas in Corporate and Commercial Law and alternative approaches to the resolution of these issues;
 - To analyse and discuss issues and problems in these areas within the wider jurisprudential context of the CSMF and indeed, a global economic market;
 - To give better legal and policy advice in the subject areas chosen to governments and corporate clients;
 - To undertake complex litigation in the chosen areas before regional courts and the CCIJ;
 - To contribute to the development of the Commonwealth Caribbean jurisprudence in the chosen areas;
 - To respond effectively to new developments in the chosen areas.

Method of Delivery

The courses will be delivered at the Mona Campus by way of a combination of week-night and week-end residential lectures, workshops, seminars and modern distant learning techniques. Each course consists of a minimum of 24 contact hours. In addition, students will be assisted with written manuals and other written materials. Residential sessions will take place in accordance with a pre-scheduled time-table on a regularity which varies with the structure and requirements of the particular course. These sessions will provide students with the opportunity to meet their colleagues thereby promoting avenues for discussion and networking. Long distance teaching offers flexibility and enables students to:

- Learn at their own pace;
- Plan study time to accommodate their normal work;
- Discuss their own work and progress with members of staff and other colleagues.

Programme Duration

The coursework component of the Programmes must be completed within four semesters of the commencement of the Programmes. The research paper must be submitted for examination within one calendar year of a candidate's completion of the course work component of his degree in the case of full-time students.

Time of Entry

Candidates may enter these Programmes either Semester 1 which starts in September or in Semester 2 which begins in late January.

Corporate & Commercial Law Coordinator:
Dr. Shazeeda Ali

Entry Requirements

The following persons are eligible to apply for admission into the Graduate Programmes:

- Graduates of the University of the West Indies holding the LL.B. Degree;
- Graduates of the University of the West Indies or an approved university holding a degree which includes such subjects as shall satisfy the Board of Graduate Studies and Research;
- Graduates of the University of the West Indies or an approved university, who have obtained a professional legal qualification and are admitted to practice in any part of the Commonwealth and in any CARICOM country;
- Persons who having obtained a legal qualification, are admitted to practice in any part of the Commonwealth and who have also been certified as being in practice for a minimum of five (5) years;
- Graduates of the University of the West Indies or an approved university, who satisfy the Board of Graduate Studies and Research of their capability to undertake the course of study leading to the award of the LL.M. degree.

A person who applies for admittance for the LL.M. programme and who does not satisfy the criteria for the LL.M. but who satisfy the Board of Graduate Studies and Research of their capability to undertake the course of study leading to the award of the Postgraduate Diploma in Corporate and Commercial Law, Public Law or Legislative Drafting may be admitted to read for the Postgraduate Diploma.