

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

MODULE TITLE	EU SINGLE MARKET LAW		
MODULE CODE	LA4932 (L7)	CREDIT VALUE	20 UK CREDITS / <u>10 ECTS</u>
SCHOOL	SCHOOL OF LAW		

MODULE AIMS

The central aim of this module is to critically analyse the purpose, process and principles of the substantive law of the EU as it affects business within the EU. The main areas covered will be the free movement of goods, free movement of persons (especially workers and job-seekers and their families), freedom of establishment, dispute resolution mechanisms and an overview of EU worker's rights. Students will also be expected to develop a good understanding of: the legal position of non-EU nationals / businesses within the EU Single Market and the impact of EU Single Market developments on (people and businesses in) non-EU countries.

MODULE CONTENT

Indicative syllabus content:

1. Introduction to EU Business Law: Critical overview of the key purpose, processes and principles of law of the EU Single Market.
2. Free Movement of Goods 1: Law and policy of harmonization in EU law.
3. Free Movement of Goods 2: Removing fiscal barriers to trade in goods (Customs Union (Article 30 TFEU) and taxation and the EU Single Market (Articles 110-113 TFEU)).
4. Free Movement of Goods 3: Removing non-fiscal barriers to trade in goods (Articles 34-36 TFEU).
5. Free Movement of Persons 1: Economically active persons and their families (Article 45 TFEU).
6. Free Movement of Persons 2: Citizenship and non-discrimination (Articles 18 & 20 TFEU).
7. Free Movement of Persons 3: Legal status, rights and obligations of third country nationals / businesses within the EU Single Market
8. Freedom to Provide Services (Articles 56-62 TFEU) and Freedom of Establishment (Articles 49-55 TFEU).
9. Resolving Legal Disputes in the EU Single Market 1: Against national authorities (SOLVIT, infringement proceedings, national litigation)
10. Resolving Legal Disputes in the EU Single Market 2: Against EU institutions / bodies (judicial review actions – Articles 263 & 267 TFEU).

INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this module a student will be able to:

1. Understand and critically evaluate the governance and harmonization of the EU Single Market.
2. Critically evaluate and apply the fundamental freedoms to EU and non-EU citizens and businesses.
3. Critically evaluate the legal provisions covered and the policy considerations underlying them.
4. Critically assess the legal position of non-EU nationals / businesses within the EU Single Market.
5. Research, critically evaluate and present well-structured arguments in written and oral work.

TEACHING METHODS

Preparation for the online workshops will involve extensive research and reading, to consider and critically analyse the set topics and the discussion questions, set in advance, arising from those topics. Students are expected to prepare answers to the discussion questions and present these to, and discuss with, the workshop tutor and group in the context of synchronous and / or asynchronous discussions. In addition to the skills of analysis and research, students are expected to develop and apply skills of analytical discussion, oral expression and writing. Students will engage with other students and staff in online activities, and synchronous and asynchronous workshops, to consider and critically analyse particular sources and engage in discussion leading to development of these skills.

The synchronous and asynchronous workshops also give students the opportunity to synthesise in a more dynamic way the independent learning already undertaken and apply principles from various themes covered in the workshop activity sheets. The final workshop will take place two-weeks before the submission deadline for coursework and run as a revision session.

ASSESSMENT METHODS

This module is assessed through one Written Assessment and one Written Exam.