

# Edinburgh Centre for Professional Legal Studies

## Professional development



Edinburgh has been a major centre for law since the Middle Ages, and for over 300 years, the University of Edinburgh has trained generations of the world's finest legal minds.

At Edinburgh Law School, we are able to draw on this vast experience, whilst moving with the times and innovating in legal education.



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## Knowledge and networking - 'professionalism at its core'

**Through the Edinburgh Centre for Professional Legal Studies, Edinburgh Law School remains at the forefront of professional legal education.**

We provide a range of development opportunities for emerging lawyers, established members of the legal profession and for those with no legal background but who need knowledge and understanding of the law as it applies in their profession.

We are an accredited provider of CPD for:

- The Law Society of Scotland
- The British Medical Association
- The Chartered Institute of Taxation

## Professional development options

Our provision of professional development options is wide-ranging in terms of subject matter. It is delivered by both research-active academics, who are distinguished educationalists and leaders in their fields, and by experienced legal practitioners. Our courses and seminars are highly topical, insightful, intellectually stimulating and engaged with professional practice. Delivery of our CPD provision respects the diverse needs of our audiences.

### Trainee CPD and Diploma in Professional Legal Practice

The Edinburgh Centre for Professional Legal Studies is accredited by the Law Society of Scotland to offer Trainee CPD and the Diploma in Professional Legal Practice, transforming law graduates into emerging lawyers and preparing their knowledge and practical skills for entry to the legal profession in Scotland.

### Professional development events and seminars

Edinburgh Law School is actively engaged in research across a wide range of legal and socio-legal areas, often organised within thematic research centres. From this foundation, the Edinburgh Centre for Professional Legal Studies offers a vibrant public programme of research-based events, including guest lectures, research seminars and conferences. These events and seminars provide excellent opportunities for professional development as they focus scholarship, offer insight and expertise, address new developments in different areas of law, and provide opportunities for professional networking. Our events and seminars are offered both in Edinburgh and at venues across Scotland.

### Bespoke training and consultancy

Edinburgh Law School can offer bespoke training packages and consultancy to help firms and organisations respond to particular issues or opportunities.

### Online CPD

Our professional development provision also includes e-learning pedagogies, to ensure that our students benefit from educational methods that correspond with modern working practices.

Video seminars and webinars of CPD events are provided, while online CPD courses enable flexible yet supported access for those who may be at a distance from Edinburgh or fully committed during the working week.

### CPD to degree study

As a proponent of lifelong learning, Edinburgh Law School is now introducing highly interactive, taught online CPD courses, which can be taken for academic credit. On successful completion of these courses, students are able to accumulate credits and transfer these into a postgraduate Certificate or even an LL.M in Law.

### Upcoming opportunities for Professional Development

Please visit our website or contact the Edinburgh Centre for Professional Legal Studies for information about upcoming professional development opportunities or to be added to our mailing list.

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