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At Kingston Law School, we want to help you further your career aspirations, regardless of what field of law you are interested in. We offer postgraduate diploma, MA, LLM and PhD programmes across the broad spectrum of legal studies, from immigration law to financial law. All our courses are offered in either full- or part-time mode, enabling you to study alongside work or family commitments.

Features of our programme include:

- an academic team at the forefront of their disciplines, actively engaged in research and practice;
- a strong focus on legal skills;
- a wide choice of legal specialisms;
- flexible study options, supported by e-learning; and
- a supportive study environment, based in an attractive campus.

The following pages give a snapshot of postgraduate life at Kingston Law School. There's more information on our website, and we run open day events for prospective students. If you'd like to find out more, do get in touch or come and visit.

www.law.kingston.ac.uk

Introducing Kingston Law School

We are a forward-looking and friendly Law School, established in the 1960s. Many of our alumni have moved on to become barristers, senior partners within large law firms, and judges. We are part of Kingston University's Faculty of Business and Law, which educates nearly 5,000 students on courses ranging from undergraduate to PhD level.

Our location

We're based at the University's Kingston Hill campus, located around three miles from Kingston upon Thames town centre in south-west London. It's easy to get to the campus, whether you're travelling by public transport or by car. Kingston is around 25 minutes by train from London Waterloo station, and Heathrow and Gatwick airports are just a short distance away too. For more details on the campus, please see page 10.

Our courses

All our postgraduate courses are offered in both full-time and part-time mode, enabling you to complement and reinforce your study with learning in the workplace. The study commitment varies depending on which course you take, with several of our courses available for part-time evening or afternoon/evening study.

Online resources

Online study is a key element of many of our courses, and you will have access to StudySpace, the University's online learning tool. StudySpace gives you access to learning and teaching resources, multimedia material, discussion boards, Wikis and blogs, as well as providing the ability to create your own profile, networks and groups. You can use this environment to study where you want, when you want, from any internet-enabled computer.



Law School building

Funding your studies

You'll find information about money matters and funding on our website at www.kingston.ac.uk/pgfunding or from: Student Funding Service, Kingston University, Cooper House, 40–46 Surbiton Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2HX
T: +44 (0)20 8417 3553

Your employer may offer to sponsor you through your course by providing funding, day-release from work or guaranteed study leave. If your employer has any questions, please ask them to contact the person detailed on the relevant course webpage.

Alumni Association

Kingston Law School's Alumni Association is part of the University-wide Alumni Association

and grants free lifelong membership. Benefits include a network of 17,000 members, a jobs noticeboard, regular e-newsletters and the chance to undertake further study as part of your continuing professional development. At the Law School, we organise special reunions for our alumni, where past students can catch up with old friends and staff in a fun, social environment, as well as providing the opportunity to network and pass on any advice and support.

Open days

If you'd like to find out more about studying at Kingston Law School, why not pay us a visit? To find out when the next postgraduate open days are being held, contact the Faculty Marketing, Recruitment and Alumni Co-ordinator – E: r.flattery@kingston.ac.uk

Support for international students

Kingston University has lots to offer if you're thinking of studying in the UK. We have approximately 4,400 international students from 151 countries, ranging from Australia to Zambia.

Our location provides a great environment in which to experience life in the UK – you'll be living in London, one of the most exciting cities in the world, but in a green and peaceful part of the capital. If you want to explore other areas of the UK or Europe, London's transport links will give you easy access.

Support

We offer a range of services designed for international students, such as welcome and orientation events, language support, the International Student Advisory Centre and Kingston International Students' Club. We offer a scholarship programme for international students worth a total of over £250,000 a year. And if you're an international student from a non-EU country, and you

apply in good time and meet our eligibility criteria, we will guarantee you an offer of halls accommodation during your first year at Kingston.

English language

If your first language is not English, you will need to demonstrate a good standard of written and spoken English as an entry requirement onto our postgraduate courses (see the course webpage for details). However, before the start of the academic year (ie September), we offer a pre-session English course to help you develop the language skills you will need for postgraduate study – see www.kingston.ac.uk/presessional

Once you start your postgraduate studies, you can join the University's free English Language Development Programme.

Find out more

To find out more about Kingston University and to download our *International Student Guide*, see www.kingston.ac.uk/international



Expert knowledge

At Kingston, you'll be taught by a combination of academics and practitioners, many of whom are acknowledged experts in their field. Many members of staff are also engaged in research, meaning that new and influential ideas are reflected in our teaching.

Who will teach you?

Many of our committed and enthusiastic staff are active in legal practice as well as being leading academics.

Several members of the judiciary, together with leading legal practitioners, act as visiting professors, fellows and visitors to the Law School, enabling students to integrate into the wider legal community.

In addition, Kingston Law School has a growing number of thriving research centres, with an increasing number of our staff actively engaged in research, publishing their findings and presenting them at international conferences, and sharing their knowledge through teaching (see panel, right).

The School's academic team includes two members of staff who have been awarded a National Teaching Fellowship by the Higher Education Academy. The Fellowship recognises excellence in higher education teaching and support for learning.

Links with practice

We have good relationships with many local and national law firms who sponsor various activities; for example, Government Legal Services, Lyons Davidson Solicitors, Darton Law, Coleman Ctts, Kagan Moss, Mackrell Turner Garrett. In addition, members of staff, who also practice, may offer mini-pupillage opportunities with them in chambers.

We also have links with corporations that offer experience within their legal or compliance departments. We run regular career and employability events, including 'Spotlight on Law' where practitioners are invited to lead panel discussions on career options. In addition, our Careers and Employability Team offer drop-in sessions and CV workshops for postgraduate students.

The teaching team

Our academic team includes the following members of staff.

Dr Penny Darbyshire, Reader in Law

Penny Darbyshire is reader at Kingston Law School and associate adjunct professor at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. Her research focuses on the English legal system and criminal justice, especially judges, magistrates, magistrates' clerks, juries and plea bargaining. Penny has just completed several years of observational research into judges of all types at every level of the English legal system.

Dr Gregory Durston, Reader in Law

Gregory Durston has published widely in the fields of criminal justice history (1500–1900) and the modern law of evidence. He is particularly interested in interdisciplinary research.

Professor Julia Fionda

Julia Fionda is professor of law at Kingston Law School. Julia has published widely in the fields of criminal justice, criminal law and youth justice. She is particularly interested in young offenders and in the interaction between law and policy in that area. Her recent publications have examined the diverse perceptions of childhood in legal disciplines, the origins and influences of law and policy in youth justice, and the impact of Anti-Social Behaviour Orders on young people's behaviour.

Dr Ioannis Glinavos, CSET Senior Lecturer in Law

Ioannis Glinavos's research focuses on law, economics and international development. His first book, *Neoliberalism and the Law*, was published in 2010, and his second, *Redefining the Market State Relationship*, is on the way. Ioannis has published articles in the *European Journal of Law Reform*, *European Business Law Review*, *Progress in Development Studies* and *Third World Quarterly*.

Professor Matthew Humphreys MBE

Matthew Humphreys is professor of law and head of Kingston Law School. His research area is European environmental law, with a particular interest in the sustainability concept and urban regeneration. His recent book explored the relationship between law and policy at the EU level in the transport sector.

Dr Sophia Kopela, Lecturer

Sophia Kopela joined Kingston University as a lecturer in law in 2009, after being awarded a PhD in International Law of the Sea from the University of Bristol. She studied law at the University of Athens, then gained an LLM in Public International Law from the University of Nottingham. Her forthcoming book *Dependent Archipelagos in International Law of the Sea: Developments and Solutions* will be published in 2012. Sophia lectures in International Environmental Law and Sustainability and Environmental Law and Regulation.

Professor Gwyneth Pitt

Gwyneth Pitt has been professor of law at Kingston Law School since 2002. Her research interests lie mainly in the fields of employment law and equality law, in which she has published widely. Recent publications have focused on religion or belief discrimination. Her textbook and casebook on employment law are also well known. As well as contributing to modules on the LLM Employment Law, Gwyneth teaches Legal Research Theory and Methodology for the LLM, and Contract for the Law PgDip.

Monty Raphael, QC

Monty Raphael was appointed a Queen's Counsel *Honoris Causa* in 2011. Monty is one of the UK's leading fraud lawyers and is special counsel at Peters and Peters. He gave evidence on the Draft Bribery Bill to the House of Commons Joint Committee and is editor of *Blackstone's Guide to the Bribery Act 2010*. He is a director of the Fraud Advisory Panel, a director of Transparency International (UK) and founder of the Business Crime Committee of the IBA. Monty is a visiting professor of law at the School, contributing to our Company Law lecture series, and has provided work placements for students over the years.

Pamela Sellman, Principal Lecturer and Course Director

Alongside her teaching commitments, Pamela has published work on the law of international trade through Old Bailey Press.

She is currently studying a PhD at Birkbeck College, University of London in Employment Relationship and the Moving Image. Pamela currently lectures in mediation and the law of international trade on our LLM programme.

John Tribe, KPMG Lecturer in Restructuring

John Tribe is the curator of a display on the history of bankruptcy at the Royal Courts of Justice, and is an editorial board member of a number of key insolvency and company law journals. John has published widely on personal insolvency, corporate insolvency and bankruptcy history. In 2006 he gave evidence to the Scottish Parliament on bankruptcy reform, and his work has been cited by a number of his senior colleagues. An experienced media commentator, he has appeared on BBC television and given a number of quotes to the national press on personal insolvency matters.

Dr Steven Truxal, Senior Lecturer in Law

Steven Truxal researches and publishes on aspects of aviation, transport and shipping, including environmental regulation and competition issues. He is particularly interested in the intersections between transport, law and the environment in the context of EU policy and unilateralism in global affairs. His monograph, *Competition and Regulation in the Airline Industry: Puppets in Chaos*, will be published in early 2012.

Michael Wynn, Reader in Law

Michael Wynn's research interests centre on aspects of employment and labour law. He has published extensively in areas relating to flexible labour markets and atypical workers, with a particular focus on the phenomenon of temporary agency working. He has recently published work on the employment status of agency workers and new typologies for the classification of self-employed worker. Michael teaches International Labour Law and Law of Management and Labour Relations on our LLM.

Research at Kingston Law School

We provide a supportive infrastructure to undertake research; encourage staff to present at international conferences; host a number of seminar programmes; and produce an occasional and a working paper series.

2008 Research Assessment Exercise

In the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise, 50 per cent of the research submitted by the Law School was rated as being of a quality that is recognised nationally in terms of originality, significance and rigour; and 45 per cent of a quality recognised internationally.

Research centres and groups

We are involved with the following groups.

- TEEL (Trade, Environment, and Employment Law) Group – including Employment Law and Policy Research Group
- Company and Corporate Law Group – including CILP (Centre for Insolvency Law and Policy)
- Comparative and Theoretical Approaches to Law Group – including Globalisation and Law Research Group
- Public and Socio-Legal Group

The areas in which we participate include trade, environmental law and sustainability, European Union law, employment law and discrimination, company and commercial law, insolvency, comparative law, globalisation, socio-legal studies, legal education and medical law and ethics.

Research seminars

Kingston Law School research seminars enable the law staff to exchange ideas and research findings, and to test research papers with a view to obtaining helpful feedback. The seminars are open to a limited number of postgraduate students with a special interest in the current topic.

Research strengths

Criminal and civil justice
Work in this area focuses on the operation

of law in action. Research into the criminal justice system has recently involved studies of the operation of the jury system and a ground-breaking funded investigation into the way judges go about the business of judging. A number of staff also have an interest in alternative dispute resolution.

Public, European and environmental law

The use of the law to encourage urban regeneration and as a force for environmental protection is another major focus of funded research, looking at both national and international dimensions, particularly through the law of the European Union. Sustainability and community engagement is an emerging area of research focus, with a funded PhD project on accountability, and with partnerships with EC1 New Deal and regeneration enterprises.

Insolvency law and debtor protection

The problems of over-extended credit and personal and corporate insolvency have become highly topical in recent times. Government-funded research in this area has been carried out in the Kingston Law School for some time and is focused on our Centre for Insolvency Law and Policy.

Employment Law and Policy

The group for Employment Law and Policy reflects another area of research strength in the Kingston Law School. Recent work by members of the group has focused on the plight of marginal workers, such as migrant workers and agency workers.

Medical law and ethics

Research in the area of medical law and ethics focuses in particular on issues surrounding mental capacity in the light of recent changes in the law.

Further information

To find out more about research in the Law School, visit www.law.kingston.ac.uk/research

Legal skills

Mooting, negotiation, mediation and client interviewing are integral elements of a lawyer's set of skills. At Kingston, we'll help you develop your expertise in these areas, adding an extra dimension to your CV.



What's on offer?

Kingston Law School has a long tradition of enthusiastic involvement with the four main professional legal skills: mooting, negotiation, mediation and client interviewing. In recent years, we have won or been placed highly in national and international competitions in all of the above activities. We also play an active role in the running of the national competitions in negotiation, mediation and client interviewing.

In all four skills, we run workshops and in-house competitions, as well as modules for academic credit that draw on them heavily. You can choose to participate in any or all of these skills, either with a view to developing professional expertise or simply to try them out in a relatively non-threatening environment.

The value of legal skills

The range of professional skills developed by these activities make them valuable in their

own right. However, at Kingston Law School we have always taken the view that they can and should also be used as a vehicle for developing a deeper understanding of substantive legal subjects. For example, contract law is placed in a proper context by negotiating the detailed terms of a contract and/or by mediating a dispute between parties whose relationship is defined by a contract, perhaps by a contract of employment.

Client interviewing involves extracting the relevant information from a potentially unhelpful client to deliver coherent and cogent legal advice. Almost every court case starts with just such an initial conversation with a solicitor, and this means that any legal issue can form the heart of a client interview role-play. Only students with a proper understanding of the relevant law can hope to advise a client on their legal situation, particularly if the client has been instructed to be unreasonable or perverse.

The essence of a moot is an informed legal debate set in an appellate court, such as the Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court. At Kingston, the students involved in a moot are required to present detailed arguments on specific issues in support of one party to a legal dispute. Their arguments are then picked apart and tested by a judge. To thrive in such an intimidating context, a student has to have not only a thorough knowledge of what the law is, but also an appreciation of why the law is as it is. Having been involved in a moot, a student has a deeper appreciation of the law than can easily be acquired through listening to a lecture or preparing for a tutorial.

Links with practice

Our in-house competitions also provide an opportunity for us to invite legal practitioners and former students to act as judges, bringing their knowledge and experience and providing a tangible link between our students and their future employment.



Kingston Hill campus

We're based at the University's Kingston Hill campus, located around three miles from Kingston town centre. Kingston Hill offers you a safe, attractive environment in which to study, with a first-class Learning Resources Centre. It also benefits from good transport links.

What is the campus like?

Kingston Hill's spacious, leafy campus was once a country estate, and still retains some of the original landscaped gardens and the large Victorian house based there. Over the decades, a range of modern buildings has gone up as the campus's functions have increased.

Learning Resources Centre

The Nightingale Centre (Learning Resources Centre, LRC) at Kingston Hill is the result of a £5million investment to provide an attractive, modern and airy environment for study. Named after Florence Nightingale (1820–1910), who was a regular visitor to Kingston Hill, the Centre is open 24-hours per day during term time and provides access to libraries, study spaces and computer facilities. There's even a learning cafe where you can study and socialise.

A wide range of resources, including texts, periodicals, journals and newspapers, is available. The dedicated business and law library holds major texts, periodicals and computer learning packages, which can be accessed from over 200 networked workstations.

You will be able to book seminar rooms for group study; there are also facilities to watch and listen to audiovisual materials, and areas and equipment to help you prepare your work.

Extra help and information is available for students with disabilities or special needs, and the LRC's Adaptive Technology Room has specialist enabling software and equipment.

Expert advice and support is available from LRC staff, and the LRC provides a base for careers, accommodation and student finance consultations. We also provide information and links to resources, referencing guides, and resources for your subject on the student intranet, StudentSpace, as well as information on all the services we provide.

As a student at Kingston Law School, you can use the LRCs on all four campuses. In total, our libraries provide access to over 420,000 books and audiovisual materials, and subscriptions to over 2,000 printed and 45,000 electronic journals, many of which are available both on and off campus.

Graduate Centre

Our Graduate Centres provide postgraduate students with dedicated space for private study, meetings and seminars, computing facilities and a social area for relaxing. Postgraduate students can also mix with staff in restaurant areas in the Centenary Room on the Kingston Hill campus.

Support

Kingston Law School provides a supportive and stimulating study environment. In addition, you'll have access to a range of University support services, see: www.kingston.ac.uk/pgsupport for details.

Other campus facilities include:

- Free parking
- Tennis courts
- Student shop
- Cashpoint machine
- Health and counselling services
- Sports and recreation societies
- Career and financial advice

Travelling to Kingston Hill

The University bus service connects Kingston Hill to the other campuses, main halls of residence, Kingston train station and town centre. The service runs on weekdays during term-time: for timetables see: www.kingston.ac.uk/bus

At other times, students use public transport to get to Kingston Hill – there's a bus stop right next to the campus (routes 85 and K3 stop close to Kingston train station).

If you're coming by car, Kingston Hill is very close to the A3, making it accessible from a wide area. Free parking is available on campus.





Law courses



Our courses suit the needs of new entrants to specialist areas as well as those with more-advanced strategic aims and those seeking professional career progression.

Our law courses can be studied full time or part time to suit whichever method you feel will enhance your study experience.

Postgraduate Diploma in Law PgDip

www.kingston.ac.uk/pglawdip

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This course is for non-law graduates who would like to either enter the legal profession or acquire legal knowledge and skills to progress in other careers. Our PgDip in Law satisfies all the requirements of the professional bodies who determine how a non-law graduate can enter the profession, while also giving you a postgraduate qualification in law.

Course content

The course will provide you with the essential understanding of law and legal reasoning required for practice, while developing the critical thinking and appreciation of legal debate and scholarship that you would expect of a postgraduate degree.

An intensive, compulsory, five-day induction week for both full- and part-time students introduces you to the substantive law governing the English legal system, together with the legal skills you will need to use throughout the course. These skills are developed throughout the rest of the first semester as you go on to study the Foundations of Legal Knowledge – the seven subjects that are essential for your progression into the profession: the law of contract; criminal law; public law; the law governing civil wrongs; the rights and interests over land and property; the principles of equity and trusts; and the law of the European Union. You will also have the opportunity to study an area of law outside these foundation modules by undertaking a research project chosen from a very wide range of legal subjects.

To become a solicitor you would continue your legal education by completing a Legal Practice Course, or the Bar Vocational Course if you would like to become a barrister.

Key features

- This course is offered over one year full time or two years part time (two days per week, tbc).
- This course is accredited by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and recognised by the Bar Standards Board.
- On successful completion of this course, you will be guaranteed a place on the Legal Practice Course at the College of Law.

LLM programme Master of Laws

Kingston's LLM programme is designed to enable you to increase your knowledge in a particular area of law, broaden your experience, improve your practising options and enhance your career. You can choose to specialise in corporate and financial law, dispute resolution, employment law, environmental law and sustainability, immigration law, international commercial law or law with law of international trade, or you can take a broader approach and tailor your course to your specifications by choosing the LLM General Law. There is also the option of combining the LLM with English, which is particularly useful for non-English speakers who would like to improve their English language skills (see p14 for details).

Joint honours option

Your law studies can also be combined with a complementary subject from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Subjects available are Criminology, International Relations, International Conflict or Human Rights. For more information, see www.kingston.ac.uk/pglawjoint

Accreditation

Our LLM courses are accredited by the Solicitors Regulation Authority for continuing professional development (CPD) purposes. Successful completion of the LLM in Dispute Resolution entitles you to membership, or fellowship on passing an additional examination, of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Course overview

Each LLM pathway comprises at least two modules specific to the subject area, a research theory module, the dissertation and two option modules chosen from the list of General Law modules; while

the General Law pathway comprises the research theory module, the dissertation and four option modules of your choice (or three option modules and the Academic English for Business if you choose the 'with English' route).

On successful completion of the LLM, you will have acquired significant research and analytical skills in your chosen area of law, substantially enhancing your prospects of gaining employment, for example, as a professional or in-house legal advisor and in other areas of work where the ability to apply and advise upon legal issues is significant.

Key features

- You can choose to study an LLM course either one-year full- or two-years part-time. The course is taught through a mixture of daytime and evening classes depending on your choice of modules.
- The School's expert academic team includes National Teaching Award winners and Fellows from the Higher Education Academy.

LLM General Law Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllm

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The LLM General Law provides you with the opportunity to take advantage of a very flexible programme of taught modules by creating a programme of study designed to suit your interests and aspirations.

Course content

You will study four option modules from the list below, plus a research module and a dissertation.

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Advocacy
- Arbitration
- Civil Liberties and Human Rights
- Civil Procedure
- Company Law
- Comparative Immigration Law
- EU Competition Law
- Environmental Law and Regulation
- Environmental Law
- Evidence and Arbitral Awards
- Family Mediation
- Individual Employment Law
- Insolvency Law
- International Law
- International Economic Law
- International Law and Economic Development
- International Trade Contracts
- Labour Law in the Global Economy
- Law of International Trade
- Legal Aspects of Business Finance
- Legal Aspects of Online Trading
- Migration Theory, Policy and Legal Practice
- Refugee Law and Forced Migration
- Termination of Employment
- The Single European Market
- UK Immigration Law

LLM with English Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmenglish

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This course enables you to develop your English language skills at the same time as increasing your knowledge of a particular area or areas of law. It provides you with advanced legal knowledge as well as the practical skills and techniques needed to enhance your career prospects, whether in legal or commercial practice. It also develops your awareness and understanding of aspects of UK and international social and business cultures and practices.

Course content

You will take two modules in academic English and choose from a wide range of taught legal modules. This gives you the flexibility to design a programme of study to suit your own interests and career aspirations. You will also gain significant research and analytical skills, and your dissertation provides further opportunity to gain specialist expertise in an area of particular relevance.

LLM in Dispute Resolution Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmdispute

FT **PT**

This course will enable you to acquire a detailed knowledge and understanding of legal rules relating to dispute resolution. It is designed to enhance your prospects of gaining employment in dispute resolution departments of professional lawyers or in other areas of work where the ability to resolve disputes is significant. On successful completion of this course, you will also be automatically eligible for membership of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to immigration law; these currently include Arbitration, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Civil Procedure, and Family Mediation. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules chosen from the list on page 13.

LLM in Corporate & Financial Law

Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmbusiness

FT **PT**

The LLM in Corporate & Financial Law enables you to acquire a detailed knowledge and understanding of legal rules relating to business. It is designed to enhance your prospects of gaining employment in roles such as professional or in-house legal advisor, company administrator, and in other areas of work where the ability to apply and advise upon business law issues is significant.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to corporate and financial law; these currently include Company Law, Insolvency Law, Legal Aspects of Business and Finance, and Legal Aspects of Online Trading. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules chosen from the list on page 13.

LLM Employment Law Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmemployment

FT **PT**

This course provides a detailed knowledge and understanding of the legal rules relating to employment. You will gain a critical understanding of the role of social, political and economic policy in the formulation of modern labour laws, both in the UK and with reference to international labour standards. The course is designed to enhance your prospects of gaining employment in professional legal private practice, human resource management and other areas of work where the ability to apply and advise upon employment law issues is significant.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to environmental law; these currently include Individual Employment Law, Labour Law in the Global Economy, Termination of Employment, and Alternative Dispute Resolution. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules chosen from the list on page 13.

LLM in Environmental Law & Sustainability

Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmenvironment

FT PT

This LLM course enables you to engage with legal issues relating to the environment and sustainability within an advanced academic context. Topics considered will include, for example, the legal framework for the protection of the environment, the legal rules and policies relating to environmental protection with the European Union and at the international level, the concept of sustainability as a policy consideration and its contribution to informing the legal protection of the environment, and the impact of international economic law on the policies relating to sustainability.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to environmental law; these currently include Environmental Law and Regulation, International Environmental Law, EU Environmental Law, and International Law and Economic Development. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules (see page 13). You can choose modules related to the environment from other departments of the University, in particular from the School of Geology, Geography and the Environment and the School of Surveying and Planning.

LLM International Commercial Law

Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmcommercial

FT PT

This LLM will enable you to gain a detailed knowledge and understanding of legal rules relating to international commerce and the resolution of disputes; and to develop the ability to analyse, evaluate and reflect upon these rules. It is designed to enhance your prospects of gaining employment in professional legal private practice, business or legal consultancy in industry.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to international commercial law; these currently include International Trade Contracts, Arbitration, and Legal Aspects of Business Finance. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules chosen from the list on page 13.

LLM Immigration Law

Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllmimmigration

FT PT

This LLM course provides an advanced academic environment for studying legal issues relating to immigration and for examining immigration law in its theoretical, operational, social and political context. Topics considered will include, for example, the rules relating to entry and habitation within the UK, immigration and freedom of movement within the European Union, asylum and immigration appeals and remedies, and refugees.

Course content

You will study at least two modules specific to immigration law; these currently include UK Immigration Law, Refugee Law and Enforced Migration, Migration Theory, Policy and Practice, and Comparative Immigration Law. You will also complete a research module, a dissertation and option modules chosen from the list on page 13.

LLM Law with Law of International Trade

Master of Laws

www.kingston.ac.uk/pgllm

FT PT

The LLM Law with Law of International Trade provides you with the opportunity to take advantage of a very flexible programme of taught modules by creating a programme of study designed to suit your interests and aspirations.

Course content

You will study four option modules from the list on page 13. The Law of International Trade module is compulsory, but you will have flexibility in your choice of the other three option modules. Additionally there is a research module and a dissertation.

Legal Studies MA

www.kingston.ac.uk/pglegalstudies

FT **PT**

The Legal Studies MA provides an opportunity for students who hold a Postgraduate Diploma in Law (or equivalent) to 'top up' to a masters qualification. The course aims to develop your research and investigative skills alongside a critical and research-orientated approach to the study of a chosen area of law.

Course content

You will research a particular area of law that interests you and, using your appreciation of the methodologies and analytical skills that underpin legal research, produce an extended piece of writing.

You will first concentrate on the development of your skills in advanced legal research and the use of theory to support it. You will then move on to construct and produce your own research piece within your choice of legal interest, demonstrating all the skills you have learnt.

Law Doctorate

PhD (by Research)

www.kingston.ac.uk/lawphd

FT **PT**

Whether you are planning a career as an academic within the education sector or as a professional researcher within the public or private sectors, the Kingston Law PhD will enable you to both develop the appropriate research skills and enhance your professional credibility. The programme has been devised to give you the supervision and skills needed to complete a thesis for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

Opportunities are available for study on a full-time or a part-time basis.

Course content

You will research a topic of your choice. We particularly invite applications in the areas of Legal History; Criminal Justice; Public Administration; Employment Law; and Jurisprudence/Law and Social Theory. For more information on areas of interest, please see the course webpage.

Your PhD thesis should be around 80,000 words and will be the subject of an oral examination in which you will show both how you have critically investigated your area of research and made an independent and original contribution to knowledge.

As a PhD student within Kingston Law School, you will be expected to attend the University research training sessions and a series of in-house training seminars run by the Law School. These latter sessions take the form of research 'masterclasses', where an experienced member of the Law School leads a session intended to reflect upon different aspects of conducting research in law. You are also invited to attend the Law School research seminars arranged for members of the academic staff.

Key features

- The PhD can be studied over three to four years full time or six to eight years part time.
- Kingston Law School is a recognised ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council) outlet, and the ESRC recognises this programme as fulfilling its requirements to provide broad-based research training.
- The School provides a supportive study environment and expert academic supervisory team to help you achieve your academic goals.
- The high calibre of Kingston's students and alumni provide excellent networking opportunities.



Travelling to Kingston



Trains

Trains from London Waterloo station, via Clapham Junction and Wimbledon, are frequent to both Kingston (for all campuses) or Surbiton (for Penrhyn Road and Knights Park campuses only). Trains go direct from Kingston and Surbiton to Waterloo.
www.nationalrail.co.uk

Buses

From London

- 57 (Streatham)
- 65 (Ealing)
- 71 (Chessington)
- 85 (Putney Bridge)
- K3 (Roehampton and Esher)
- X26, 111 and 285 (Heathrow)
- 213 (Sutton)
- 216 (Staines)

www.tfl.gov.uk

From Heathrow

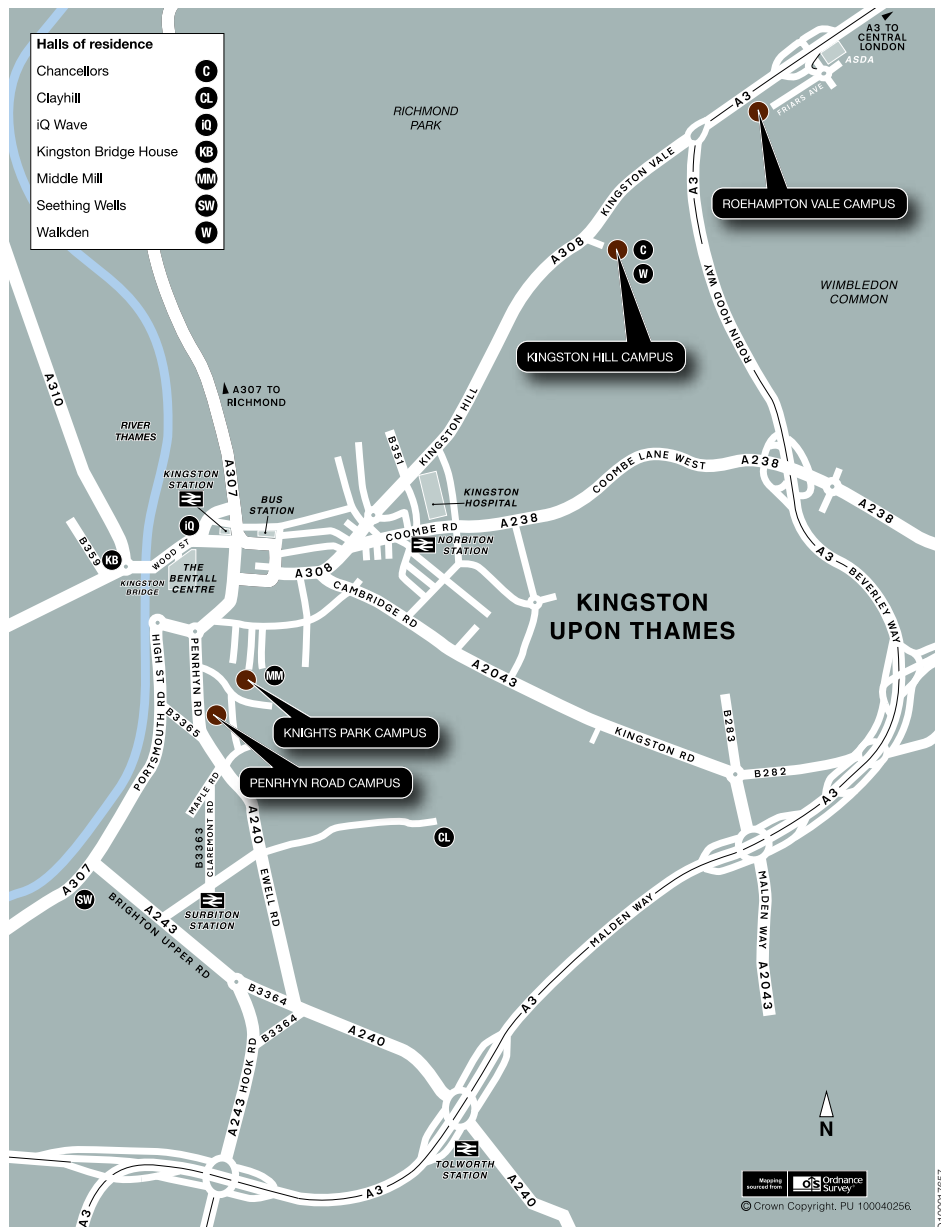
- Take the X26, 111 or 285 bus to Kingston
- By tube/train: take the Piccadilly Line underground service to Earls Court, change to District Line to Wimbledon, and catch a mainline train for Kingston or Surbiton.

From Gatwick

- Take a train to Clapham Junction, and catch a Kingston- or Surbiton-bound train.

Further information

For detailed instructions on travelling to the Kingston University campuses, see the University's website:
www.kingston.ac.uk/directions



Applications and further information

Applications

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Entry requirements

Please see the relevant course webpage for entry requirements.

You will be expected to demonstrate the ability to study at an advanced level and will normally have relevant professional experience in a setting appropriate to the chosen specialism.

Overseas applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are able to study at masters level and have achieved the equivalent academic level. They must also have a good level of competence in written and spoken English.

Prior learning – AP(E)L

Applicants offering prior qualifications and learning may be exempt from appropriate parts of a course in accordance with the University's mechanisms and policy for the assessment of prior learning and prior experiential learning.

Interview

Home applicants may be invited to attend an interview prior to selection. Overseas applicants may be exempt from interview as long as they can demonstrate that they meet the specified entry requirements.

Research degrees

For further information on the Law PhD, see page 16.

Students with disabilities

The University welcomes applications from students with disabilities, and is working towards improving access, facilities and services.

If you think you may require individual support or adaptations to facilities, our Disability Advisor can give you information on what is available. Once we have received your application form with details of your disability, we may invite you to visit the University so that we can talk to you about your needs in advance. The University Disability Statement gives detailed information of the types of support available and of the accessibility of each site. The Statement is available in standard, large print or braille, on audiotape and on the University website.

For more information or a copy of the University Disability Statement and Policy, or to arrange a visit to assess the University's facilities, please contact the Disability Advisor:
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International students

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To request a copy of our *International Student Guide*, email int.recruit@kingston.ac.uk

Tuition fees

Tuition fees for your course can be found on the course webpage. For information about payment options, please contact Applicant Services (see back cover for contact details). Please check our website for the latest fee information: www.kingston.ac.uk/pgfunding

General Student Regulations

Acceptance of an offer and enrolment at the University are subject to the then current General Student Regulations of the University, a copy of which can be viewed on the University website at www.kingston.ac.uk/policies

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Useful links

Courses

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Visit us

Why not come and visit the University to discover more about us and our courses? To find out how to arrange a visit, contact your faculty. See: www.kingston.ac.uk/faculties

Virtual tour

If you aren't able to come and visit us in person but you'd still like to see what the University is like, you can take a virtual tour of the University campuses on our website: www.kingston.ac.uk/tour

Accommodation

To find out about all the accommodation options you'll have as a Kingston student, with advice and guidance from our specialist staff, see: www.kingston.ac.uk/accommodation

Money matters

Funding a postgraduate course can be a big financial commitment. At Kingston we'll do everything we can to help you keep your finances in order. See: www.kingston.ac.uk/pgfunding

International

For guidance and advice for students from overseas, including the opportunity to chat with virtual student advisors, watch video clips of current international students and find out about funding opportunities, see: www.kingston.ac.uk/international

Kingston Law School

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