



## Trimester 1: 2020, Undergraduate Programmes

### Class Times

The School has adopted the following principles:

It is expected that nearly all the tutorials in modules numbers LAW1XXX and LAW2XXX will be online only. They will be livestreamed and/or recorded.

Most lectures and seminars will be taught face to face. Where class size is less than 50, the class will meet weekly. Where the class size is above 50 you will be assigned membership of a group of 50 students and will attend on weeks indicated in the rota (either on the timetable or in the module Brightspace area).

This means that the larger your lectures, the less time you will have on campus.

All lectures will be recorded and may be livestreamed.

Should public health regulations change (e.g. a restriction on the numbers permitted in classrooms, campus shutdown), all teaching will move online. Should public health regulations ease (e.g. allowing 1m social distancing), then the numbers in a lecture will increase.

### Assessments

All assessments will be done online. Some of these may occur during a specific period of time (i.e. an assessment to be downloaded, completed, and uploaded during a limited number of hours). All times will be according to Dublin time. The specifics for each module will be provided at the start of term by the Module Coordinator.

### Office Hours

Staff will run office hours remotely and, where appropriate, in person also. No meetings will be undertaken without a prior appointment. Further guidance will be issued in due course on meeting staff.

### Academic Expectations

UCD's expectations are that students will take advantage of as much of the on-campus experience as possible. The principle is one of blended learning – not an exclusively online trimester. That said, the School recognises that there are challenges for students who e.g. have to isolate for health reasons, so our approach is to make our classroom time available online also.

We expect students to pay very close attention to Brightspace for each of their modules and to regularly check what is required of them. This will be the main point of contact for your learning.

The School expects all its community to take their personal responsibility for public health seriously. UCD's current policy on masks follows that coming from the Department of Higher Education which is that masks must be worn at all times where 2m social distancing cannot be maintained. There are students and staff in high risk groups and wearing your mask in the classroom helps protect their health as well as your own. Of course, do not come to campus if you feel unwell.

UCD's approach is that students and staff are personally responsible for cleaning whatever classroom spaces they use themselves. As such, in addition to bringing your mask to campus, you should plan on bringing cleaning materials to wipe down your desk space before the start of class. Don't forget your mask and maintain social distance.

## Calendar

<b>All Stages undergraduate/postgraduate except Stage One undergraduates</b>	
<b>Dates</b>	<b>Trimester Structure</b>
Mon 21 Sep. – Fri 23 Oct.	Formal teaching (five weeks)
Mon 26 Oct. – Fri 30 Oct	Reading/assessment (one week)
Mon 2 Nov. – Fri 4 Dec.	Formal teaching (five weeks)
Mon 7 Dec. – Wed 23 Dec.	Revision/assessment

<b>Undergraduate Stage One only</b>	
<b>Dates</b>	<b>Trimester Structure</b>
Mon 28 Sep.* – Fri 23 Oct.	Formal teaching (four* weeks)
Mon 26 Oct. – Fri 30 Oct	Reading/assessment (one week)
Mon 2 Nov. – Fri 4 Dec.	Formal teaching (five weeks)
Mon 7 Dec. – Fri 11 Dec.	Teaching may occur if there is no terminal assessment
Mon 14 Dec. - Wed 23 Dec.	Assessment
* Note the later start date	

## Undergraduate Programmes (DN600 & DN610)

### Law modules only

We understand that students are making decisions around accommodation. We cannot at this point give you specific time-table information for the Autumn Trimester, and we note that even when we are in a position to show you that level of detail, we may still have to amend the proportion of online learning if the prevailing public health guidelines change because of the pandemic.

## Stage 1

All lectures delivered face to face (with a rota)

Except for

- French Public Law I: lectures face to face (no rota)
- Negligence: Lectures delivered exclusively online

For each module, students can expect to attend 1-2 times in the trimester.

## Stage 2

Lectures delivered face to face (with a rota) except for French Public Law II which will be face to face.

For each of the law modules, students can expect to attend 1-2 times in the trimester.

## Stages 3 and Stage 4

Of the 28 options in Law, most are face to face (those that have more than 49 students will be on a rota) and a small number of modules will be taught exclusively online.

Further detail will be provided as it becomes available even if this is after registration commences.

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