

## APPLIED LAW

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### COURSE LEVEL 3 | BTEC

#### WHAT IS APPLIED LAW?

The course covers a wide variety of legal topics, broken into four units over two years.

Topics covered are similar to those studied on the A Level, including the English Legal System and the Courts, Civil and Criminal Legal procedure, Criminal Law (including the offences of theft, robbery, burglary, non-fatal offences against the person, murder and manslaughter) Civil Law (negligence, nuisance, occupiers liability, trespass), Police Powers and Procedures (stop and search, arrest, detention and interviews).

The aim of the course is to develop the abilities of students capacities to offer legal advice and guidance as well as gain an understanding of the legal system and the people that work within it. The course is partly designed by professional bodies aiming to develop the particular professional skills and knowledge required for students interested in careers in Law.

#### COURSE FOLLOWED

##### [Edexcel Applied Law](#)

UNIT 1: Dispute Solving in Civil Law

UNIT 2: Investigating Aspects of Criminal Law and the Legal System

UNIT 3: Applying the Law

UNIT 7: Aspects of Tort

#### METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

The course is assessed primarily through coursework and externally marked assessments, undertaken within normal timetabled lessons, whilst using previously released materials to prepare for the assessments. The Certificate will be completed in Year 12 and consists of Units 1 and 2.

The Extended Certificate will be completed over two years of study and consists of Units 1, 2, 3 and 7. Units 1 and 3 are assessed externally. Pre-release information is issued two weeks before the assessment so research can be completed and students will then have 1 and a half hours to complete the task for Unit 1 and 2 hours for Unit 3 in supervised conditions. Tasks may involve writing a letter to a client, or composing a brief for a barrister based on case notes. Units 2 and 7 are internally assessed coursework units which are completed during lesson time and will involve practical tasks in work based scenarios.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least 5 GCSEs Grade 9-5 including English Language at Grade 5 or above.

#### FUTURE PROSPECTS

BTEC Applied Law is particularly appropriate for those students who are considering either an apprenticeship or employment within a legal field. However, it will also give students many transferrable skills and is also a good option for other areas of employment too. Many students will go on to study law at University, although it will also provide a strong foundation for many undergraduate degrees.

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