

Why Study Law & Accounting

The course reflects a demanding, broad and practical programme of study which will provide you with a firm foundation in both law and accounting. The combination allows you to make your choice of profession when you have a better knowledge of your strengths and of the law and accounting disciplines.

What does the course offer?:

- Excellent graduate employment record
- Joint degree offering a wide range of professional careers
- Flexibility to specialise in Law or Accounting during 4th year or maintain the joint nature of the programme
- Fast-track to a professional qualifications in Law (Law Society of Ireland, the Honorable Society of Kings Inns) or Accounting (CAI, ACCA, CPA)
- Organised 8 month work placement with leading stakeholders in the field
- Strong focus on clinical education and the development of transferable skills

Career Opportunities

This degree will equip you for a variety of careers where you will be able to make use of the skills and knowledge acquired in the programme.

These include:

- Chartered Accountant
- Financial Accountant
- Solicitor
- Barrister-at-Law
- Corporate Banker
- Financial Analyst
- Legal Advisor
- Taxation Advisor
- Asset Leasing Manager
- Funds Manager
- Investment Manager
- Equity Trader



Jack O'Shea

Student, BA Law and Accounting

During my Leaving Cert, I was uncertain about which career path to pursue. Although I always enjoyed accounting in school, I wanted to keep my options open for the future. For students in a similar position, I believe the Law & Accounting course at UL is the ideal blend of both disciplines. This course has enabled me to continue developing the accounting foundations I learned

during my school years while also introducing me to the fascinating world of law.

One of the main attractions for prospective students is that, upon completing four years in the Law & Accounting course, you qualify with a unique degree which allows us to pursue a career in law or a career in accounting. This combination of qualifications is particularly impressive and valuable as you embark on your professional career. A diverse educational background undoubtedly enhances your appeal to potential employers. Moreover, the course offers the chance to meet a variety of people. Some modules involve students from Business Studies and International Business, while others include students from Law Plus. As a result, I have made new friends from all over the country, enriching my college experience.

The Cooperative Education programme I participated in while at UL stands out as one of the highlights of my time here. Employers from various sectors showed a keen interest in our course cohort, as our combined background in accounting and law gave us a competitive edge during the interview process. I worked in the tax department at KPMG in Dublin for eight months, which helped me clarify my career aspirations. During my time at KPMG, I applied the skills I had learned in both accounting and law modules to real-world tasks. Additionally, I had the opportunity to network with many new people, including fellow placement students and senior staff members. This experience allowed me to embrace the corporate lifestyle, where no two days were the same, with various work events and social outings organised for us.

As I enter my final year at UL, I am truly delighted that I chose this course. It has opened many doors for me throughout my time here. I would highly recommend Law & Accounting to anyone with an interest in accounting or law, as the course has broadened my horizons and challenged me with its demanding coursework. I also encourage prospective students to fully immerse themselves in the college experience by joining the various clubs and societies UL offers. For example, the UL Law Society organises numerous events, workshops, and an annual trip abroad. Last year, the society travelled to Amsterdam. I cannot speak highly enough of my college experience, and I hope you have the chance to enjoy it as much as I have!

The University Experience

With the River Shannon as a unifying focal point, UL is situated on a state-of-the-art, 133-hectare campus. Our unrivalled recreational, cultural and sporting facilities further enhance the UL experience and make the university environment among the very best there is anywhere in the world.



LM020 Bachelor of Arts in Law and Accounting

NFQ Level 8 Major Award Honours Bachelor Degree

One Degree, Two Careers

UL's pioneering BA in Law and Accounting joint degree offers students a career pathway to Accounting and Law through professional exemptions. This combination of disciplines translates into an impressive graduate employment track record. Within the business world, a strong legal background assists the work of many accounting specialists. Equally, a firm grounding in all aspects of Accounting, including, for example, Taxation, deepens the lawyer's understanding of business transactions.

The BA in Law and Accounting is designed to offer a broad and practical programme of study which provides students with a firm foundation in both disciplines as well as the transferable skills required for success in a modern business setting. All modules are designed to ensure students are kept

right up to date with the latest disciplinary and professional developments. Moreover, students may now choose to further concentrate on either Law or Accounting in the 4th year of the degree, or chose to maintain the joint nature of the programme pursuing modules in both areas of study.

The success of this programme is displayed by the very high employment figures for graduates. In recent years, over 98% of graduates have found employment or further training opportunities within one year of graduation. These impressive statistics are a testament to the relevance of the programme and the attractiveness of our graduates to professional practice in both Law and Accounting.

Job titles for graduates with this degree:

Graduates progressing directly into employment take up a wide variety of roles. The following provides a sample of initial roles listed on the Graduate Outcomes Survey by graduates approximately one year after graduation:

- Chartered Accountant
- Trainee Solicitor
- Financial Adviser
- Trainee Barrister
- Auditor
- Tax Assistant/Associate
- Assurance Associate
- Banker
- Audit Associate
- Financial Analyst
- Operations Executive

Key Facts

The Kemmy Business School has EQUIS, AMBA and AACSB accreditation which means it is listed amongst the top 1% of business schools worldwide.

The KBS is one of Ireland's leading business schools with a reputation for quality and employability of graduates. This is an innovative interdisciplinary programme between the Kemmy Business School and the School of Law.

Course Info:

CAO Points: Refer to www.ul.ie/courses/

Course Length: 4 Years

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Entry Requirements:

Applicants are required to hold at the time of enrolment the established Leaving Certificate (or an approved equivalent) with at least Grade C3 in two Higher Level subjects and Grade D3 in four Ordinary or Higher Level subjects (including Mathematics; Irish or another language; and English).

In addition applicants are required to hold at least the following in the Leaving Certificate or an approved equivalent: Grade C3 in Ordinary Level Mathematics.

Note also, applicants are not required to have studied accounting at Leaving Certificate or equivalent level for entry into this course.

Exemptions and Follow on Study*

Upon graduation, students holding a BA in Law and Accounting benefit from a possessing a degree recognised by a wide range of professional bodies:

- The BA in Law and Accounting is a qualifying degree recognised by the King's Inns, the professional body for barristers in Ireland.**
- The degree also allows students the opportunity to cover all the core law subjects required for the entrance exams (known as the Law Society of Ireland Final Examination, Part 1) to gain entry to the Law Society of Ireland, the professional body for solicitors in Ireland.

Moreover, students holding a BA in Law and Accounting may avail of a number of exemptions from the following professional bodies in Accounting and Taxation:

- Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)
- Chartered Accountants Ireland (CAI)
- The Irish Taxation Institute (ITI)
- The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)
- The Institute of Certified Public Accountants in Ireland (CPA)

Alternatively, students may decide to stay on at University of Limerick to pursue a Postgraduate Degree. The School of Law and the Kemmy Business School offer a number of innovative and exciting postgraduate programmes allowing students to further build on their undergraduate study:

- Master of Science in Accounting
- Master of Science in Finance
- Master of Laws (General)
- Master of Laws in International Commercial Law
- Master of Arts in Human Rights in Criminal Justice
- Master of Science in Insurance and Risk Management
- Doctor of Philosophy

*Please note that exemptions and entry requirements are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, please contact the relevant professional bodies concerned.

**Please note that students are required by the Honorable Society of King's Inns to have studied Jurisprudence, Administrative Law and Company Law, along with the core law modules in this programme. These can be taken as additional electives

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Year 1	Semester 1 LA4001 Legal System and Method LA4211 Criminal Law 1 LA111 Contract Law 1 AC4001 Principles of Accounting EC4101 Microeconomics	Semester 2 LA4222 Criminal Law 2 LA4122 Contract Law 2 AC4002 Managerial Accounting EC4102 Macroeconomics MA4302 Applied Statistics for Accounting
Year 2	Semester 3 LA4430 Constitutional Law 1 LA4310 Torts 1 LA4033 Law of the European Union 1 FI4003 Finance TX4204 Capital Taxation	Semester 4 LA4440 Constitutional Law 2 LA4044 Law of the European Union 2 LA4320 Torts 2 AC4004 Accounting and Auditing Frameworks AC4024 Financial Accounting and Reporting
Year 3	Semester 5 LA4610 Land Law 1 LA4022 Commercial Law FI4005 Advanced Corporate Finance TX4305 Taxation Theory AC4305 Financial Information Analysis and Practice	Semester 6 + Summer CO4320 Cooperative Education
Year 4	Semester 7 AC4007 Advanced Financial Reporting AC4417 Management Accounting 1 LA4810 Equity and Trusts 1 TX4007 Taxation for Corporates LA4530 Company Law 1 BS4447 Project 1 *Programme structure may be subject to change	Semester 8 AC4418 Management Accounting 2 TX4008 International Tax LA4828 Equity and Trusts 2 LA4620 Land Law 2 LA4540 Company Law 2 BS4448 Project 2 AC4018 Corporate Transparency and Business Ethics

What you will Study

The programme is four years in duration. During the first four semesters, in addition to studying the core subjects of Law and Accounting, you will also study Economics, Taxation and Mathematics.

In semester 2 of 3rd year, an eight-month period of Cooperative Education provides you with an opportunity to apply the theory you have acquired in a practical work environment.

You return to campus at the beginning of Year 4 and continue with your studies in the core subjects of Law and Accounting. In each of these final two semesters, you will choose five modules from a variety of subjects to maximise your exposure to either Law or Accounting, or any combination of both disciplines that suits your needs.

You also have the opportunity to undertake a Final Year Project, which is a research project on a topic of your choosing.