**LM027 Bachelor of Laws in Common and Civil Laws**

**Application information for mature student applicants**

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| Apply through CAO by 1st February: [www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie) | Please refer to [Academic Registry](https://www.ul.ie/academic-registry/prospective-students/applying-UL/mature-students) for late applications |

**Application Process:**

1. **CAO application form** – Applicants must ensure that they tick the ‘mature’ special category on the CAO application form and complete Sections 1 to 11 of the Mature Applicant section.
2. **Personal Statement for LM027**- Course Directors use personal statements to help them more effectively assess an applicant’s suitability for, and level of interest in, a particular course. See guidelines overleaf for writing a personal statement for LM027. The Personal Statement requirement is to enable you to provide more specific information to that which is provided in the ‘Statement of Interest’ on your CAO form.
3. **Supporting documentation** – All supporting documentation (e.g. evidence of prior qualifications, Personal Statement for LM027 etc.) should be posted directly to the CAO.

**Minimum Entry Requirements:**

* Submission of tailored Personal Statement with CAO application.
* [CEFR](https://www.coe.int/en/web/common-european-framework-reference-languages/table-1-cefr-3.3-common-reference-levels-global-scale) (Common European Framework of Reference) level B1 in French or other evidence of French proficiency to an intermediate level.

**Application Assessment Criteria:**

* Prior education
* Work / Voluntary experience
* Evidence of interest in the programme
* General sustainability
* IT skills

**Interview Assessment Criteria:**

Interviews **may** be held to further discuss your application and personal statement.

* Prior education
* Work/voluntary experience
* Evidence of interest
* General suitability including French language proficiency.

**Guidelines for writing a Personal Statement for LM027**

The Personal Statement is your opportunity to 'sell' yourself and to emphasise the experience and/or interests you have which are relevant to the course for which you are applying. A tailored personal statement is important, especially if you are applying to a competitive programme for which there is a high demand for places, as you will need to be specific and proactively demonstrate how your experience or your interests match the course you are interested in doing.

Your personal statement should be no greater than one side of a **single A4 page** and cover the following areas:

1. Reasons for wishing to undertake LM027.
2. Programme's potential contribution to your future career or life plans with specific examples that demonstrate your understanding of the career.
3. Highlight relevant experiences or skills gained through employment, voluntary work, or personal interests which have prepared you to undertake LM027.
4. As the degree is partially delivered in France, specify your level of proficiency in French and language background.
5. Any specific preparation you have undertaken in anticipation of commencing LM027 including any language classes you will enrol in.
* Please title your document ‘Supporting statement for LM027- Bachelor of Laws in Common and Civil Law’
* **Please also ensure that you include your CAO number on your Personal Statement**