

Rationale (with end points):

- Develop students' competence in using legal skills during the study of the nature of law, legal issues, and private and public areas of English Legal System. Criminal Law, Contract Law and the Law of Tort;
- Enable students to demonstrate an ability to analyse a scenario by identifying the key facts from which legal issues arise;
- Support students in formulating a legal argument and analysing legislation by applying the rules and principles of statutory interpretation;
- Support students in analysing case law by applying the doctrine of precedent;
- Enable students to construct clear, concise and logical legal arguments which are substantiated by legal authority, using appropriate legal terminology;
- Develop students' ability to analyse and critically evaluate legal issues by identifying different perspectives, being able to support their identification of the strongest viewpoint and demonstrating the ability to counter alternative viewpoints.

Term	Topic	Knowledge	Skills	Reading /wider reading
Autumn Term 1: Contract Law	Introduction to Contract Law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to what is meant by a 'contract'; • Exploration as to the areas of law covered by contract law; • Outline examination of the essential elements for the formation of a contract. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student worksheet on the contracts entered into on a daily basis; • Google Quiz on the elements of a contract. 	AQA A-Level Law Book 2 – Chapter 1. ELaw Resources – www.elawresources.co.uk
	Invitations to treat and offers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain and give examples of unilateral and bilateral contracts; • Analyse the differences between invitations to treat and offers. 	Complete the following quiz: Contract law quiz on offer and acceptance (e-lawrevision.org.uk)	AQA A-Level Law Book 2, Chapter 2; BBC NEWS Business Carbolic smoke ball: fake or cure? Seminar 1 – Introduction to Contract Law.
	Acceptance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain lapse of offers and acceptance; • Analyse the differences between the normal rules of acceptance and the postal rule. 	Past examination question on offer, invitations to treat and acceptance.	AQA A-Level Law Book 2, Chapter 3. Seminar 2 – Offer and acceptance.

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	Consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the three sets of rules governing consideration (past consideration. Adequacy of consideration, sufficiency of consideration); • Analyse the reasons for, and the meaning of, 'practical benefit'. 	<p>Past examination question;</p> <p>Google quiz on consideration.</p>	<p>AQA A-Level Law Book 2, Chapter 4.</p> <p>Seminar 3 – Consideration.</p> <p>Tutor2U Contract Law revision book.</p> <p>Newspaper articles on the adequacy and sufficiency of consideration</p>
	Privity and intention to create legal relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain privity and intention. • Analyse the extent to which the Contract (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 replaces the common law. 	<p>AQA examination scenario on privity of contract and intention to create legal relations,</p>	<p>AQA A-Level Law Book 2, Chapter 5.</p> <p>Legislation website (www.legislation.gov.uk)</p> <p>Microsoft Word - 5102741_1.doc (stevens-bolton.com)</p>
Autumn Term 2: Contract Law	Economic Duress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and illustrate the elements necessary for economic duress. . • Analyse the available remedies. . • Compare the options of economic duress and consideration in altering a bargain. 	<p>Google quiz on the elements and effects of frustration.</p>	<p>AQA A-level Law Book 2, Chapter 6.</p> <p>Online access to case reports relating to the doctrine of frustration.</p> <p>'Great Debates in Law' by Jonathan Morgan.</p> <p>Seminar 4 – Duress.</p>
	Discharge of a contract	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the rule of entire performance and identify the exception. • Define breach. • Explain the need for innominate terms. • Construct a flowchart as a means of deciding whether a) a contract has been breached and b) the appropriate remedy. 	<p>AQA past examination papers on topics covered to date:</p> <p>AQA A-level Law Assessment resources</p>	<p>AQA A-Level Law Book 2, Chapter 7.</p> <p>AQA past examination questions.</p> <p>Seminar 5 – Discharge.</p>
	Misrepresentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the nature of a misrepresentation. . Identify the 	<p>Revision activities on topics covered to date and drawn from AQA questions.</p>	<p>First Tower Trustees Ltd v CDS (Superstores International) Ltd Ch. D. 20 Feb (brownejacobson.com)</p>

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		different types (definitions and remedies).		Seminar 6: Misrepresentation.
	Frustration of contract	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the rules governing frustration. • Consider the remedies available and how they are deficient. 	Worksheet on frustration contract, alongside offer, acceptance, consideration and intention to create legal relations.	Frustrated Contracts Law tutor2u Seminar 7 – Privity, intention and frustration.
Autumn Term 2: Contract Law	Implied Terms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefly explain express and implied terms. • Describe the implied terms contained in ss9–11 Consumer Rights Act 2015 (CRA) and the remedies in ss20, 23 and 24 CRA 2015. • Describe the implied terms contained in ss49 and 52 CRA 2015 and the remedies in ss55–56 CRA 2015. 	Worksheet distinguishing between goods and services. Chart of the different implied terms, including definitions, case examples and examples from ordinary life. Seminar on express and implied terms.	AQA Law Book 2, Chapter 9 Consumer Rights Act 2015 (legislation.gov.uk) Consumer Help and Advice CTSI - Chartered Trading Standards Institute UK Consumer - Citizens Advice
	Theory of contract law	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on the nature and effectiveness of contractual remedies; • Discussion on the nature and effectiveness of consumer remedies; • Evaluation of the justifications and criticisms of contractual and consumer remedies. 	In-class debate on whether the reforms in the CRA 2015 meet the criticisms of the previous law, raised by bodies such as the Law Commission.	Consumer Rights Act 2015 – revolution or re-hash? (fsp-law.com) The Consumer Rights Act 2015, two years on... a seismic change in the business-to-consumer relationship? - Taylor Vinters
	Exclusion clauses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rules governing incorporation of exclusion clauses; • Distinguish between the different statutory protections; • Distinguish between the different common law protections; • Identification of a range of issues with exclusion clauses; 	Worksheet on the incorporation and interpretation of exclusion clauses. Exclusion Clauses Lecture - Example Questions (lawteacher.net) Seminar on exclusion clauses.	AQA Law Book 2, Chapter 10. Exclusion Clauses Lecture (lawteacher.net) The “Exclusion Clause” Problem - Stormcatcher Law Exclusion and limitation clauses (pinsentmasons.com)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analysis of exclusion clauses and relevant justifications for and criticisms, 		
Revision and mock examination				
Spring Term 1: Law of Tort	Introduction to the Law of Tort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to what is meant by 'tort'; Exploration as to the areas of law covered by the law of tort; Revision of the civil courts structure 	Online research activity requiring students to examine the news and to find articles that relate to negligence, nuisance, or another tort.	Negligence in the news: https://www.innertemplelibrary.com/category/negligence/ https://committees.parliament.uk/committee/81/health-and-social-care-committee/news/166099/mps-urge-radical-reforms-to-negligence-compensation-system-that-costs-nhs-billions-each-year/
	Negligence: injury and damage to property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the tests for imposing a duty of care, including the 'neighbour' principle and the Caparo three-part test Analyse the theory of tort law, including the public policy factors governing the imposition of a duty of care. 	Worksheet considering the question of what activities might be discouraged by the imposition of a duty of care and what everyday examples of when a duty of care exists. Watch video: Duty of Care AS - YouTube	Issue of the Tort of Negligence (lawteacher.net) Negligence Formula is Unfair to Claimants (lawteacher.net)
	Negligence: injury and damage to property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examine the breach of the duty of care; Identify the risk factors governing the objective standard of care Analyse the factors setting the standard of care. 	Draw up a table of the different factors governing breach and illustrate each with case examples and real-life examples.	AQA A-Level Law, Book 2. Textbook: Macmillan Palgrave Law Masters on Tort. Textbook: Key Cases on Tort. Textbook: Key Notes on Tort.
	Negligence: injury and damage to property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the test for causation in fact. Explain and illustrate the test for causation in law. 	Pictionary game, using images found online to test students' case knowledge. Complete Duty, breach and damage re-cap (AQA-7161-7162-SOW-TORT.DOCX (live.com))	AQA A-Level Law, Book 2. Textbook: Macmillan Palgrave Law Masters on Tort. Textbook: Key Cases on Tort.

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			Seminar on liability for personal injury and damage to property.	Textbook: Key Notes on Tort.
	Defences to an action in negligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the requirements for the defences of contributory negligence and consent (volenti non fit injuria); Explain the consequences for the parties if a defence is successful. 	<p>Problem questions on the defences to an action in tort;</p> <p>Self-assessment using the relevant AQA marking scheme.</p> <p>Seminar on the defences in the law of tort.</p>	<p>AQA A-Level Law, Book 2.</p> <p>Textbook: Macmillan Palgrave Law Masters on Tort.</p> <p>Textbook: Key Cases on Tort.</p> <p>Textbook: Key Notes on Tort.</p>
	Remedies in the tort of negligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the meaning of compensatory damages for personal injury, damage to property and economic loss; Analyse the principle of mitigation of loss; Identify the principles governing compensatory damages. Explain and illustrate the principle of mitigation. 	<p>Past examination scenarios involving remedies in the law of tort.</p> <p>Seminar on remedies in the tort of negligence.</p>	<p>https://academic.oup.com/book/33596/chapter-abstract/288080706?redirectedFrom=fulltext</p> <p>https://www.supremecourt.uk/docs/speech-170513.pdf</p> <p>https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.1515/jetl-2020-0141/html?lang=en</p>
	Negligence: psychiatric injury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe a primary and a secondary victim. Identify the elements necessary in each case to establish liability. Analyse policy reasons governing the extent of recovery for psychiatric injury. 	<p>Research and discuss the litigation stemming from the series of events surrounding Hillsborough.</p> <p>Past examination questions on psychiatric injury – most notably the distinction between primary and secondary victims.</p> <p>Seminar on psychiatric injury.</p>	<p>https://www.oxfordlawtrove.com/view/10.1093/he/9780198829270.001.0001/he-9780198829270-chapter-5#:~:text=Though%20initially%20psychiatric%20harm%20was,mere%20grief%2C%20anxiety%20or%20distress.</p> <p>https://www.lawcom.gov.uk/app/uploads/2015/04/cp137.pdf</p>
Spring Term 2: Law of Tort	Negligence: economic loss	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the difference between negligent acts and negligent misstatements. Identify the requirements necessary to establish liability for economic loss. 	<p>Newspaper articles on the 'floodgates argument in civil litigation.</p> <p>Worksheet on negligent misstatement.</p>	<p>https://www.lawteacher.net/free-law-essays/contract-law/constraints-of-the-floodgates-principle-contract-law-essay.php</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyse policy reasons governing the extent of recovery for economic loss. 	Seminar on economic loss.	https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?q=e9b3b959-03d6-495c-b633-b0eb3b88e6b3
	Occupier's Liability Act 1957	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examine the provisions of the OLA 1957 in respect of lawful visitors; Define a lawful visitor. Explain the nature of the duty owed to a lawful visitor and when that duty is breached. 	search the case of: <i>Furmedge v Chester-le-street District Council [2011]</i> Seminar on OLA 1957.	Watch dreamspace accident scene video https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/media/Documents/magazine-extras/Law%20Review/LawRev%2015_3/LawReview15_3_poster.pdf?ext=.pdf
	Occupier's Liability Act 1984	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define a trespasser. Explain the nature of the duty owed to a trespasser and when that duty is breached. 	Past examination questions on the provisions of the different Occupiers' Liability Acts. Debate on whether the enforcement of duties on occupiers is morally acceptable as well as being legal. Seminar on OLA 1984. Past examination questions on OLA 1957 and OLA 1984.	https://becket-chambers.co.uk/2020/03/04/occupiers-liability-who-do-you-owe-a-duty-of-care-to/ https://www.quittance.co.uk/personal-injury/glossary/occupiers-liability-act-1984
	Private nuisance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the rules governing claimants and defendants. Examine the factors governing an unlawful interference. 	Look at some past exam questions and identify from the facts of the scenarios, how and why nuisance might be present.	https://www.michelmores.com/news-views/news/what-is-private- nuisance https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/ld199697/ldjudgmt/jd970424/hunter02.htm
	Private nuisance: defences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify and illustrate the defences to an action in nuisance. Examine when the remedies of damages and an injunction may be available. 	Find examples, drawn from local and national media, of everyday activities which may amount to a nuisance. Answer examination question on how defences to private nuisance enable the legal system to balance conflicting interests (Law and Society topic).	https://www.wilberforce.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Wilberforce-Current-Issues-in-Nuisance-and-Trespass.pdf http://www.lvmlawchambers.com/commentary-2-recent-cases-on-the-tort-of-private- nuisance/

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			Seminar on private nuisance and defences.	
	Rylands v Fletcher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the elements required to establish liability under the 'rule'. Explain the defences and remedies. 	<p>Debate whether the rule in Rylands v Fletcher is likely to be relevant to issues such as 'fracking' or the storage of nuclear waste from power stations.</p> <p>Answer examination question on the rule in Rylands v Fletcher.</p> <p>Seminar on Rylands v Fletcher.</p>	Watch lecture on Rylands v Fletcher liability .
	Vicarious liability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the tests as to when a worker is an employee. Explain when an employee is acting in the course of employment. Identify other relationships where vicarious liability may exist. Analyse the policy reasons for imposing a strict liability on an employer. 	<p>Draw up a table of relationships which are similar to employment relationships and which might attract vicarious liability (eg liability of a prison for negligence by a prisoner during a work activity).</p> <p>Examine the importance of the judgement in <i>Cox v MoJ [2016]</i> in that it provides a basis for identifying the circumstances in which vicarious liability may be imposed outside relationships of employment.</p> <p>Answer examination question on vicarious liability.</p> <p>Seminar on vicarious liability.</p>	<p>Article on the liability of a school and how it relates to vicarious liability.</p> <p>Supreme Court Judgement of Cox v MoJ 2016.</p>
Summer Term 1: Revision	Revision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision of all topics covered on the AQA A-Level Law syllabus. 	<p>Past examination papers.</p> <p>Mock examinations.</p> <p>Revision sessions offered by external agencies.</p>	<p>Tutor2U website on examination skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AQA A-Level Law Guide to Question Format

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			<p>Timed questions.</p>	<p>Classroom Poster / Student Handout Set Law tutor2u</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Livestreams Law tutor2u - Law tutor2u <p>AQA website - AQA A-level Law Assessment resources</p>
<p>Summer Term 2: Revision</p>	<p>Revision</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of all topics covered on the AQA A-Level Law syllabus. 	<p>Past examination papers.</p> <p>Mock examinations.</p> <p>Revision sessions offered by external agencies.</p> <p>Timed questions.</p>	<p>Tutor2U website on examination skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AQA A-Level Law Guide to Question Format Classroom Poster / Student Handout Set Law tutor2u - Livestreams Law tutor2u - Law tutor2u <p>AQA website - AQA A-level Law Assessment resources</p>