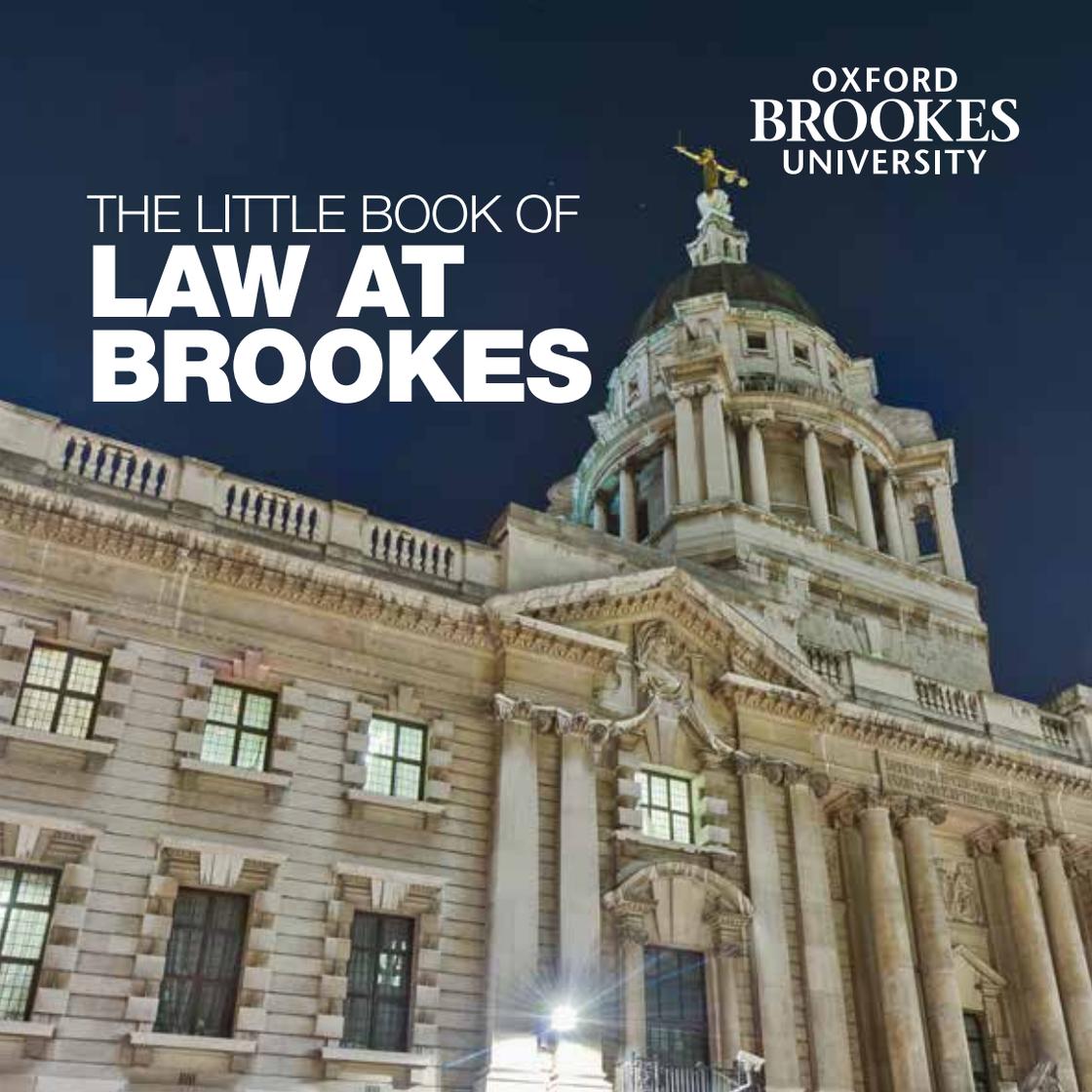


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THE LITTLE BOOK OF
**LAW AT
BROOKES**





What will I study?

In year 1 you will learn the fundamentals of law. You will tackle case studies and learn the process of legal reasoning, as well as the role of law in society.

In years 2 and 3 you will take more advanced modules, specialising in particular areas such as criminal law, immigration and asylum, commercial law, and employment law.

As well as legal research skills, we also teach you practical skills like advocacy and communication.

Course highlights

Discover what it feels like to stand up before a judge in our very own moot court, practice piecing together a legal case in a client interviewing competition, or take your legal skills outside the classroom and benefit the community through one of our pro bono projects.





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Law at Brookes offers both a qualifying law degree and practical experience of the legal world. Our cohort is incredibly friendly, and the active student law society organises a variety of events – from the annual Christmas Ball and visits to the Old Bailey and Royal Courts of Justice, to talks and discussions with leading lawyers.

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Specialist pathways

Employers value graduates who have in-depth knowledge of a particular area of the law, for this reason we offer two specialist pathways, available to you exclusively in your second and third years.

Our pathways allow you to graduate with a named qualification in either Criminal Justice or Commercial Law and are aimed at enhancing your career prospects.



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“Brookes has an excellent teaching reputation as well as offering a range of extra-curricular activities. The staff really get to know students personally and are able to offer tailored advice; not only about the course and which modules to select, but also options for your future career.”
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SARAH MACPHERSON, LAW GRADUATE
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Mentoring and preparation for practice

At Brookes we do our best to make sure you're not only highly qualified, but ready for the workplace. Mentoring from practising solicitors and barristers will give you insight into practice and the experience of a legal environment that employers look for in graduates.

Each year we host the Oxford Brookes Law Fair, and bring a host of chambers, practices and other providers to the university to speak about pupillage opportunities and the training contracts they can offer to promising candidates.

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“I was fortunate enough to be selected as one of four Brookes students to attend the open day with Clifford Chance, one of the world’s top law firms. The day was incredibly helpful. We were given guidance on writing applications for placements, taken through practice case studies and given talks from partners in the firm on commercial law.”
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NAOISE TAN, CURRENT LAW STUDENT





Practical legal skills

Mooting

Mooting is the discussion of a hypothetical case, argued against an opposing candidate and held in court-like conditions. It's a valuable opportunity for aspiring barristers to test their advocacy skills, learn from the questioning of judges, and to hear other students debate and reason.

We run internal mooting competitions and mock trials so that you can practice and improve your debating skills within a supportive learning environment. We also have a specially created Moot Court, designed to make staged moots feel even more realistic.

Client Interviewing

Client interviewing is one of the most important skills required of a lawyer – it is the practice of communicating with, and advising, a client.

You'll learn how to establish a relationship with a client, how to identify the nature of the legal problem, and then how to obtain information from a client in order to reach a solution.

You'll be able to take part in client interviewing competitions. Join up with a friend to work in teams of two, interviewing and advising a “client” (a role-playing actor) whilst being observed and judged on criteria like interpersonal skills and ability to handle the legal problem.





Pro bono work

Pro bono is derived from Latin meaning 'for the public good' and it's a great way for you to practice your legal skills and gain invaluable experience whilst benefitting the local community!

Through our pro bono scheme, students have volunteered at a local prison advising inmates on education and employment opportunities, taken internships with the Missouri capital sentencing project in America, and run Summer Law Schools for refugee communities to help them better integrate into our society and education system.

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“I led a pro bono project which involved a group of law students visiting a local prison and advising inmates on education and employment opportunities as part of their preparation for release. This is something which I still assist with today and it was a great opportunity to give back to the community whilst enhancing crucial employment skills like leadership, communication and teamwork.”
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DAISY ROUTLEY, LAW GRADUATE,
NOW A TRAINEE SOLICITOR AT BT



Research and expertise

You will be taught by active researchers with strong reputations. They draw on their own research to create a stimulating programme.

Our current areas of staff research expertise include:

**The Interaction
of Law and Religion**

**International Criminal
Law and Human Rights**

**Civil Liberties and
Criminal Justice**

**International
Environmental Law**

**International
Humanitarian Law**

**International Trade
and Commercial law**

Legal Theory

Property law

Migration and Citizenship

**The Law of Small
Jurisdictions**





We actively encourage you to become a researcher in your own right, and by designing and undertaking your own research you will develop excellent analytical and independent study skills, adding weight to your CV.



94% of our law research is internationally recognised
REF 2014



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“Brookes is one of the few universities that runs an undergraduate module called ‘Communication Skills for Lawyers’ which involves advocacy and client interviewing giving students a head start for the Legal Practice Course and the Bar Professional Training Course.”
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LAWRENCE DESOUZA, LAW GRADUATE



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Law at Brookes has received global recognition, and is currently classed as amongst the “world’s elite”
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QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

97%

of Law students were satisfied by the overall quality of the course

2016 NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY.
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