

A Level Law

Curriculum content

Half term	Year 12	Year 13
Autumn 1 Sept-Oct half term	ELS Nature of Law and Rule of Law ELS Parliamentary law making ELS Delegated Legislation Crime General Elements of Liability Crime Assault	The Nature of Law (Justice and Fault) Tort Psychiatric injury Tort Economic loss Tort Private nuisance
Autumn 2 Nov - Christmas	ELS Statutory Interpretation ELS Judicial Precedent ELS Civil Dispute Resolution and Civil Courts Crime Non-Fatal Offences, ABH, GBH and wounding Tort Negligence	Tort Rylands v Fletcher Tort Vicarious liability The Nature of Law (Morals) HR Introduction to Human Rights HR Human Rights in the UK
Spring 1 Jan-Feb half term	ELS finish Civil Courts ELS Law Reform Law Commission ELS The EU (in outline) Tort Occupiers' Liability	HR A2 the right to life HR A5 the right to liberty and security HR A8 the right to privacy
Spring 2 Mar – Easter half term	ELS Criminal Courts ELS Legal Personnel Crime Fatal Offences Crime Voluntary Manslaughter	HR A10 the right to freedom of expression HR A11 the right to association HR Enforcement HR Remedies The Nature of Law (Balancing)
Summer 1 April – May half term	ELS Criminal courts ELS Legal personnel Crime Involuntary Manslaughter Crime Property Offences	Revision and exam practice
Summer 2 Jun – Jul half term	Year 13 timetable Crime Attempts Crime General Defences	End of course

Skills

The skills developed throughout the course include:

- develop competence in using legal skills during the study of the nature of law, legal issues and the English legal system, and private and public areas of substantive law
- demonstrate their ability to analyse a scenario by identifying the key facts from which legal issues arise
- analyse, when formulating a legal argument, legislation by applying the rules and principles of statutory interpretation and analyse case law by applying the doctrine of precedent
- construct clear, concise and logical legal arguments which are substantiated by legal authority, using appropriate legal terminology
- construct a persuasive argument including instances where they have recognised that there are no clear legal precedents or conflicting precedents to solve a problem
- 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.

Assessment

Internal assessment takes place in each unit of work throughout the course, and in line with the school's assessment policy. For the award of the qualification, this linear A level from AQA is examined entirely by examination at the end of Year 13. There are three papers, each equally weighted:

Paper 1 – Crime the nature of law and the English legal system

Paper 2 – Tort and the nature of law and the English legal system

Paper 3 – Human rights and the nature of law and the English legal system

Further details about the course can be found at <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/law/as-and-a-level/law-2160>