

WORDLIST

PART I CAREERS IN THE LAW

LEGAL EDUCATION

SECTION 1. UNIVERSITY LIFE

Text Vocabulary

applicant	graduate	postgraduate
assignment	graduate with honours	postgraduate course
catch up with	graduation	senior student
cope with	dissertation	sophomore
curriculum	academic degree	student membership card
entrance exams	International Student Identity Card (ISIC)	student record book
be expelled	junior student	students' union
finals	keep pace with	lecture notes
freshener	lag behind	timetable
freshers' week	miss	tutorial
funding	monitor	undergraduate
get a degree	paper	written reproduction

Verbs

to cheat	to fail/to flunk	to mark
to check up	to grade	to read up for
to complete	to hand in	to submit
to cram	to hand out	to test

Basic Academic Staff

Rector/ President	Head of the Department	lecturer
Vice Rector/ Vice President	professor	senior lecturer
Dean	associate professor	instructor
Vice Dean / subdean	assistant professor	tutor

SECTION 2. THE STUDY OF LAW IN THE UK, USA AND UKRAINE

Text Vocabulary

apprenticeship	experience	master's degree
bachelor's degree	the Inns of Court	optional course
call to the Bar	law clinic	pupillage
commercial practice	legal department	sole practitioner

completion of a bachelor's degree in law	legal education	trainee solicitor
compulsory course	litigation and arbitration	voluntary advice center
degree programme	local authority	work under a training contract

Essential Professional Skills

ability	explanation	practical problem solving
academic study	interpretation	skills of thinking and analysis
analytical thinking	negotiation	teamwork
attention to detail	oral communication	written and verbal presentation
draft formal documents	perform research	

Scientific Degrees

Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
Bachelor of Laws (LLB)	Doctor of Science(s) (Sc.D. or D.Sc.)
Bachelor of Science (BSc)	Juris Doctor (J.D.)
bachelor's degree	Master of Laws (LL.M.)
Doctor of Juridical Science (J.S.D. or S.J.D.)	master's degree

LEGAL PROFESSIONS

Text Vocabulary

act on behalf of	counsel	lawyer
appeal a decision	defend a case	magistrate
appear at the bar	defence attorney	notary
arrive at the decision	decide a case	paralegal
attorney	draft a document	plead a case
attorney-at-law	ensure fairness	preside over
authenticate a signature	give advice	prosecuting attorney
barrister	give a judgment	represent a client
certify a document	handle a case	rule over the proceeding
conduct a litigation	judge	solicitor
conduct a suit	justice	

Verbs

to act	to authenticate	to draft	to preside over
to administer	to certify	to ensure	to prosecute
to advise	to deal with	to handle	to refer to
to appeal	to defend	to investigate	to represent
to apply	to depend on	to permit	to review
to assist	to derive from	to plead	to rule over

PART II LEGAL SYSTEMS

MODERN LEGAL SYSTEMS

Basic Legal Vocabulary

authority	law	legislation
court	law enforcement	legislature
to govern	law enforcement agency	rule
judge	lawyer	tribunal
judiciary	legal system	

Text Vocabulary

authoritative	common law	moral guidance
binding	hybrid legal system	regulation
body of law	customary law	religious law
case law (judge-made law/ precedent law)	equity	source
civil law	legal precedent	<u>stare decisis</u>
codifications	legislative enactment	statute

Verbs

to abolish	to carry out	to enforce	to order	to restrict
to adopt	to codify	to forbid	to pass	to revoke
to allow	to compel	to ignore	to prescribe	to settle
to apply	to disobey	to impose	to prohibit	to violate
to ban	to enable	to obey	to prosecute	
to break	to enact	to observe	to punish	

Verbs (for a law)

to set forth	to lay down	to provide that	to specify that
to state	to determine	to stipulate that	to prescribe that

Set expressions

according to the law	against the law	in the name of the law
by law	the spirit of the law	law in force
within the law	in the eyes of the law	the letter of the law

SPHERES OF LAW

Text Vocabulary

administrative law	entity	proceedings
bureaucratic managerial procedures	inducement	property law
civil law	imposing sanctions	public

commercial law	individual	punishment
commit	international law	redress
compelling	labour law	responsibility
competition law	law of torts	restitution
conform to	lawsuits	severity
constitutional law	machinery	substantive
contract law	mediator	under-trial
convicted	municipal law	undergo a trial
corporations law	private	wrongdoer
criminal law	procedural	wrongs

PART III CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

ENGLISH CRIMINAL LAW

Collocations with 'crime'

alleged crime	commit (a) crime	report a crime
beat crime	crackdown on crime	solve a crime
be soft on crime	crime of passion	turn to crime
be tough on crime	detect a crime	
carry out a crime	fight/combat/tackle crime	

Text Vocabulary

act in self-defence	crime against public morality	maintain order
act under duress	crime against public peace and order	mens rea
actus reus	crime prevention	offence
breach interests	deprivation	perpetrator
bring criminals to justice	indictable offence	plead insane
convicted offender	indictment	provoke
crime against private interest	inflict	punish criminals
crime against property	infliction	summary offence
crime against public interest	intoxicated	offence

Crimes

armed robbery	drug trafficking	joyriding	rape
arson	drunk driving	kidnapping	shoplifting
assault	embezzlement	larceny	tax evasion
battery	extortion	manslaughter	theft

bribery	forgery	murder	treason
burglary	fraud	money laundering	sexual assault
domestic violence	homicide	obstruction of justice	vandalism

Criminals

accomplice	drug dealer	murderer	stowaway
arsonist	forgery	offender	terrorist
assassin	gangster	pickpocket	thief
bigamist	hijacker	robber	traitor
blackmailer	hooligan	shoplifter	vandal
burglar	kidnapper	smuggler	
deserter	mugger	spy	

Types of Punishment

bail bond	forfeiture	parole
capital punishment	hospital order	probation
community service	house arrest	revocation of a license
corporal punishment	imprisonment	suspended sentence
fine	non-custodial sentence	suspension of a license

CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

Text Vocabulary

admissible	convicted	plead guilty/not guilty
appear in court	cross-examination	reach a verdict
apprehend	felony	release (on bail)
arraignment	in (to) custody	sentence
bail	interrogation	stand trial
book	mistrial	unanimous
charge	motion	verdict
charge	opening statements	warrant
closing statements	operational-search actions	

'Criminal Proceedings' related words

apprehension	lawsuit	suit
deliberation	proceeding(s)	trial
jury trial	presumption of innocence	
litigation	re-direct examination	

Collocations with 'trial'

bench trial	face trial	put (up)on trial / to
case on trial	open trial	stand trial
conduct a trial	party to a trial	trial by jury

delay in trial	place on trial
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Collocations with 'verdict'

agree upon a verdict	return a verdict	verdict of conviction
final verdict	unanimous verdict	verdict of guilty
reach a verdict		

PART IV. CIVIL JUSTICE

TORT LAW

Text Vocabulary

defendant	negligent party	tort
expenses	negligent person	tortfeasor
incur	payment	wrong
injured party	plaintiff	wrongdoer
injured person	remedy	wronged
loss		

Types of Torts

assault	inaction (omission)	slander
battery	invasion of privacy	strict liability tort
conversion	intentional tort	tort of nuisance
defamation	libel	torts affecting civil liberties
false imprisonment	malpractice torts	trespass to land
fraud	negligence tort	

Remedies in Torts

compensation	damages	redress
damage	injunction	

Actions Connected with Torts

to award damages	to commit a tort	to remedy (a wrong, a situation)
to be entitled to damages/redress	to incur expenses	to sue for damages
to be entitled to redress	to obtain compensation	to sue smb. on the grounds of
to bring a claim in tort law	to provide a remedy	to sue the wrongdoer
to cause harm to someone	to recoup compensation for	to take a civil action against smb.
to cause injury to smb.		

CONTRACT LAW
SECTION 1. ELEMENTS OF A CONTRACT

Text Vocabulary

acceptance	compensate	injured party
agreement	conditions	intent
alleged	consideration	loss
arbitration	contract	mediator
bargain	damages	offer
binding	dispute	recover for
breach	enforce	resolve
breaching	enforceable	review
capacity	harm	terms

Types of Contracts

bilateral	formal	unenforceable
effective	implied	unilateral
enforceable	informal	valid
executed	oral	void
executory	quasi	voidable
expressed	under seal	written

Verbs (for a contract)

to amend	to draft / to draw up	to ratify
to breach /to break/ to violate	to enforce	to renew
to cancel/ to repudiate/ to abrogate/ to end/ to terminate	to enter into	to rescind
to carry out/to execute	to make	to sign
to conclude	to modify	to sign
to create	to negotiate	to supplement

The End of a Contract

Expiration	termination	frustration	repudiation
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SECTION 2. CONTRACT FORMATION

Text Vocabulary

acceleration	entire agreement clause	payment of costs
assignment	expiry / expiration date	recitals
confidentiality	force majeure clause	schedule
consideration	indemnities	severance (B.E.)
arbitration	integration and	/severability (A.E.)
authority to sign	severability	clause
boilerplate clauses	intellectual property	signatures section
choice of law	clause	term
contract template	liquidated damages	termination
definitions section	miscellaneous	warranties and
dispute resolution	notice	indemnities
duration	operative provisions	warranty

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Text vocabulary

commercial name	industrial property	service mark
copyright	intellectual property	time-limited rights
designation	invention	trademark
discovery	piracy	unauthorized use
industrial design	related rights	unfair competition

EMPLOYMENT LAW

Text vocabulary

adjustment	employee	recruit
applicant	employer	redundancy
bargain	employment law	require
collective bargain	gender	settle
complaint	hire	strike
conditions	holiday entitlement	termination
construe	hours of work	terms
contractor	injunction	trade union
date of employment	job title	tribunal
discrimination	lockouts	tripartite
disability	marital status	violate
dismissal	payment	unfair
earnings	picketing	unionise

Related vocabulary

abuse	completion	probationary
addiction	immune	reasonable
aggravate	infringement	respondent
appointment	intend	sickness pay
arrears	grievance	submit
claimant	malicious	treatment
commencing	overtime	waive
pervade		

PART V INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN LAW

THE SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Text vocabulary

adherence	instrument	sovereign
cardinal law	international law	signatory state
convention	international affairs	supranational law
conventional	maritime law	treaty
international law		
conclude treaty	national liberation	treaty relations
customary international law	private international law	usage
distinguishing quality	public international law	
hold inapplicable	ratify	

Adjectives that collocate with 'agreement'

bilateral	intrastate	non-aligned
interagency	multinational	non-governmental

'International law' related vocabulary

accession	bear on	multilateral treaty
acknowledge restrictions	conciliation procedure	negotiation
affect world opinion	framework convention	territorial titles and boundaries
articulate	lay down	

INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Text Vocabulary

advisory opinion	espouse	overlapping
biodiversity	hazardous materials and activities	pollution
combat	intersecting	precautionary principle
contentious case		preserve

depletion	long-range	remedial principle
desertification	marine pollution	restatements of the law
dumping of wastes	natural heritage	sustainable development
endangered species	natural resources	transboundary
environmental disputes	non-governmental	transfrontier pollution
environmental law	organizations	utilitarian
	normative positions	

HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION

Text vocabulary

alien	freedom of religious worship	presumption of innocence
arbitrary arrest	fundamental freedoms	prohibition of discrimination
conscience	genocide	protection of human rights
degrading treatment	human rights	resolution
detention	inaugurate	simultaneously
exile	minorities	torture
freedom of speech	monstrous violations	

Basic international legal documents

declaration	covenant	resolution
directive	pact	
charter	provision	

'Human rights' related vocabulary

atrocities	pool	supersede
be afflicted by	pursuit of human rights	take up human rights issues
defuse crisis	restore peace	truce
override	sever diplomatic relations	undertake mediation

EUROPEAN UNION LAW

Text Vocabulary

access	directly applicable	redefining
address global problems	entirety	reform
association	encompassing	regulation
binding	establish	rule of law
caselaw	impose an obligation	secondary legislation
citizens' initiative	integral part	single market
clarify	interpretation	streamline
common foreign and internal affairs policy	investment	subject to

confer rights	legal order	summit meeting
converge	opinion	support
decision	override	transparent
decision-making	primary legislation	treaty
devise	provision	uniformity
directive	recommendation	voting system