School of Law
Undergraduate Studies
Royal Holloway, University of London, is ranked in the top 30 of all UK universities. Through the dedication of our teachers, discoveries that change the world and the feel of the Royal Holloway experience, ours is a community that will inspire you to succeed academically, socially and personally.

Our university was founded by two social reformers who pioneered the ideal of education and knowledge for all who could benefit. Their vision lives on today.

As one of the UK’s leading research intensive universities, we are home to some of the world’s foremost authorities in the sciences, arts, business, economics and law. As teachers and researchers they change lives, expand minds and help current and future leaders understand power and responsibility. Students and academics travel from all over the world to study and work here, ensuring a global perspective within a close knit, safe and historic campus.
The School of Law provides research focused, intellectually stimulating degree programmes for students wishing to undertake study in law, criminology, sociology and psychology. Our internationally renowned academics are leaders in their fields and bring their research and practice into the lecture theatre, helping students gain current and relevant skills and knowledge.

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More Information

This brochure is designed to complement Royal Holloway’s Undergraduate Prospectus and information on the department’s website at royalholloway.ac.uk/law

It is also available as a PDF at royalholloway.ac.uk/studyhere
**FAST FACTS**

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Study Programme

The course has a modular structure, whereby students take 12 units at the rate of four per year. Some units are compulsory while others are elective thereby offering flexibility and choice.

Assessment

Course units, in class assignments by a combination of essays and end of year exams.

Entry Requirements

Typical A level offer is AAB

This programme is a qualifying law degree which is recognised by the Bar Standards Board and The Solicitors Regulation Authority as satisfying the first (academic) stage of professional training.

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Study Programme

The course has a modular structure, whereby students take 12 units at the rate of four per year. Some units are compulsory while others are elective thereby offering flexibility and choice.

Assessment

Course units are assessed by a combination of essays, end of year exams and, in the third year, a dissertation.

Entry Requirements

Typical A level offer is ABB

This programme is accredited by the The British Psychological Society.

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Study Programme

The course has a modular structure, whereby students take 12 units at the rate of four per year. Some units are compulsory while others are elective thereby offering flexibility and choice.

Assessment

Course units are assessed by a combination of essays, end of year exams, portfolios and presentations, in the third year, a dissertation.

Entry Requirements

Typical A level offer is AAB

This programme is accredited by the The British Psychological Society.

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**Why study in the School of Law?**

We have earned a strong reputation for excellence in research and teaching, with national and international recognition of our expertise in issues associated with law, criminal justice, youth, health, multiculturalism and identity.

Many of our students join us with existing qualifications in law, psychology or sociology, although this is not essential since the first year of our programme is devoted to establishing a good grounding in your chosen subject area. Our programmes draw on a range of disciplines including criminology, sociology, psychology and law, analysing ways in which life experiences are shaped by social forces, institutions and groups and the social rules and processes that organise people. Criminology students study crime as an individual and social phenomena, exploring the varied causes of crime as well as individual, social and governmental responses.

Within law you will cover both UK and European law as a foundation to work towards becoming a solicitor or a related profession. This programme will include study around the history and philosophy of law.

Our degree programmes reflect the very latest developments in law, criminology, psychology, sociology and social policy. You will also examine real-life situations and have the opportunity to undertake one of our unique industry placements. As you progress through your courses, you will become equipped with the knowledge, skills and experiences essential to advance your future career.

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**STUDENT VIEW**

“When choosing an undergraduate course it is important you choose something that is challenging, exciting, engaging and ultimately enjoyable. This course did exactly that for me and I regard my study within this department as three of the best years of my life.”

James Treen, BSc Criminology and Sociology

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Law students partaking in the Law firm Weightmans Mentoring Scheme
## Degree programmes

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*The Senior Status LLB allows you to gain a qualifying law degree in 2 years giving you an excellent foundation to forge your career from. Please visit [www.royalholloway.ac.uk](http://www.royalholloway.ac.uk) for further details.*
Admissions and requirements

We recognise that university life is a new experience for undergraduate students. This step by step guide will help you prepare for this experience by illustrating the type of students we take and what is expected from them.

**Typical Offers**

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<td>International Baccalaureate</td>
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<td>AP's (US Advanced Placements)</td>
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**ELIGIBILITY**

Each year the department admits approximately 150 new undergraduate students on single or joint honours programmes. Our aim is to attract intelligent, self-motivated students who will contribute to and benefit from a lively and stimulating environment.

**POTENTIAL APPLICANTS**

Sixth formers

The majority of applicants are sixth formers preparing for A-levels and the conditions of entry will vary according to your circumstances.

**MATURE APPLICANTS**

We are pleased to receive applications from mature students from any educational or career background. We may invite you to an interview so that we can consider your circumstances.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

The faculty takes a significant number of international students each year and this enriches the programme and the environment. We recognise a wide range of qualifications but if you are in any doubt, please email the Admissions Office admissions@royalholloway.ac.uk or call +44 (0)1784 443399 and we will be happy to assist you.

**DEFERRED ENTRY**

Applicants for deferred entry are accepted and spending time pursuing different interests between leaving school and entering university can be a very worthwhile undertaking for a student.

The terms and conditions on which Royal Holloway, University of London makes offers of admission to its programmes of study, including those covered in this booklet, may be found in the Undergraduate Prospectus or Postgraduate Prospectus, copies of which are available on request from royalholloway.ac.uk/studyhere
# Degree programmes and structure

## LLB LAW

The study of this qualifying law degree is suitable for students looking to work towards becoming a solicitor or a barrister, but is also a well regarded degree programme for those who wish to pursue other careers. There are a number of compulsory Law teaching units that are taught mainly through lectures and seminars, supplemented with personal tutorials, workshops and optional rather than compulsory additional scheduled activities. Seminar groups are small enough to allow an active exchange of ideas with your tutor and other students. Courses are assessed by a combination of essays, in class assignments and end of year exams.

### Year 1

**Core Courses**
- The English Legal System, Methods and Legal Practice (Legal Skills)
- Public Law (Constitutional, Administrate and Human Rights Law)
- Criminal Law
- Law of Contract

### Year 2

**Core Courses**
- Law of Torts
- Land Law
- **Students also choose two options from courses such as:**
  - Family Law
  - Public International Law
  - Law of Evidence
  - International and Comparative Human Rights Law

### Final Year

**Core Courses**
- European Union Law
- Equity and the Law of Trusts
- **Students also choose two options from courses such as:**
  - Dissertation
  - Advocacy and Court Practice
  - Company Law
  - Medical Law
  - Jurisprudence

### BSC CRIMINOLOGY AND SOCIOLOGY

The study of Criminology and Sociology is approached from an interdisciplinary social science perspective. This is evident in all our compulsory teaching units. Criminology and Sociology courses are taught mainly through lectures and seminars, supplemented with personal tutorials, workshops and additional scheduled activities. Seminar groups are small enough to allow an active exchange of ideas with your tutor and other students. Courses are assessed through a combination of in-class assignments, essays and end of year exams. In addition to these, the final year is also assessed via a dissertation project on a topic of your choice.

### Year 1

**Core Courses**
- Introduction to Criminology
- Introduction to Sociology
- Social Problems and Social Policy
- The Criminal Justice System

### Year 2

**Core Courses**
- Research Methods
- Data Analysis
- Key Perspectives and Debates in Criminology
- Sociology of Contemporary Society
- **Students also choose two options from courses such as:**
  - Young People, Crime and Justice
  - Crime and the Law
  - Sociology of the Family
  - Youth in Society: The Sociology of Youth & Youth Culture

### Final Year

**Core Courses**
- Dissertation
- **Students also choose six options from courses such as:**
  - Sociology of Health and Illness
  - Prisons
  - Risk, Insecurity and Terrorism
  - Youth in Society: Deviance and Delinquency
  - Youth in Society: Culture, Subculture and Transgression
  - Crime, Media and Culture
  - Sentencing and Penal Policy
  - Drugs, Crime and Society
  - Gender, Sexuality and Crime
  - Race and Ethnicity in Contemporary Society
  - Victims and Witnesses
BSC CRIMINOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY

Joint honours students on this BPS accredited programme take introductory courses in biological psychology, abnormal psychology, learning and memory, criminology, the criminal justice system, and the self and society. You will be taught in several different ways, mostly through lectures, tutorials and laboratory classes. Altogether you can expect around 12 hours of tutorials, lab classes and lectures each week and the rest of the time you will be engaged in independent study, reading and revision.

Courses in the second year build on the knowledge gained in the first year. They are more specialised and give students the chance to learn about particular topics in greater depth. Second year students are expected to carry out more independent reading and to begin to understand research design and analysis. You will receive lab classes, tutorials and lectures in research methodology and key debates in Criminology and Psychology.

In the final year, courses are flexible and you have some choice of which units to take. Courses are highly specialised and at the cutting edge of research.

As well as undertaking an independent dissertation research project and modules in cognitive psychology and conceptual issues in psychology, students will choose options, in consultation with the Academic Coordinator, from the following (note all courses are subject to change depending on what the Department is able to offer in any given year):

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Students also choose options from courses such as:

**Criminology**

- Prisons
- Youth in Society: Deviance and Delinquency
- Victims and Witnesses
- Gender, Sexuality and Crime
- Drugs, Crime and Society
- Crime, Media and Culture
- Sentencing and Penal Policy
- Risk Insecurity and Terrorism

**Psychology**

- Advanced Developmental Psychology
- Health Psychology
- Advanced and Applied Social Psychology
- Adult Psychological Problems
- Developmental Disorders
- Occupational and Organisational Psychology
- Criminal and Forensic Psychology
- Educational Psychology

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**The British Psychological Society**

**Accredited**
### LAW WITH CRIMINOLOGY

The study of this qualifying Law degree is suitable for students working towards a career in the legal profession and additionally is a well regarded degree subject for other career paths. The degree will introduce you to the fundamental principles of justice, equity and equality within the framework of English and European Law as well as reviewing the key debates in Criminology. You will take a number of compulsory units from the disciplines of Law and Criminology. This course is taught through lectures and seminars which are supplemented with tutorials and workshops as well as a range of optional extra-curricular activities such as mooting and voice training.

#### Year 1
**Core Courses**
- Public Law (Constitutional, Administrative and Human Rights)
- Law of Contract
- The English Legal System, Methods and Legal Practice (Legal Skills)
- Introduction to Criminology

#### Year 2
**Core Courses**
- Law of Torts
- Land Law
- Criminal Law
- Key Perspectives and Debates in Criminology

#### Year 3
**Core Courses**
- European Union Law
- Equity and the Law of Trusts
- Students will also choose a number of optional courses from Law and Criminology including
  - Jurisprudence
  - Family Law
  - Medical Law
  - Company Law
  - Public International Law
  - Victims and Witnesses
  - Prisons
  - Sentencing and Penal Policy
  - Drugs, Crime and Society
  - Gender, Sexuality and Crime
  - Crime, Media and Culture

### LAW WITH SOCIOLOGY

The study of this qualifying Law Degree is suitable for students working towards a career in the legal profession and additionally is a well regarded degree subject for other career paths. The degree will introduce you to the fundamental principles of justice, equity and equality within the framework of English and European Law. You will also learn about sociology theories and review some of the key debates in sociology. This course is taught through lectures and seminars which are supplemented with tutorials and workshops as well as a range of optional extra-curricular activities such as mooting and voice training.

#### Year 1
**Core Courses**
- Public Law (Constitutional, Administrative and Human Rights)
- Law of Contract
- The English Legal System, Methods and Legal Practice (Legal Skills)
- Introduction to Sociology

#### Year 2
**Core Courses**
- Law of Torts
- Land Law
- Criminal Law
- Students also choose options up to the value of 30 credits from the following courses:
  - Sociology of Contemporary Society
  - Or
  - Research Methods for Social Scientists
  - And
  - Data Analysis for Social Scientists

#### Year 3
**Core Courses**
- European Union Law
- Equity and the Law of Trusts
- Students will also choose a number of optional courses from Law and Sociology including
  - Jurisprudence
  - Family Law
  - Medical Law
  - Company Law
  - Public International Law
  - Sociology of Health and Illness
  - Children, Risk and Society
  - Lost in Music: The Sociology of Popular Music
  - Youth in Society
Your future career

Graduates from the School of Law at Royal Holloway, University of London are equipped with a wide range of transferable skills which are highly sought after by employers. Throughout your studies you will learn how to carry out independent research, analyse data and present your findings as well as developing your written and oral communication, time management and team work skills.

The School of Law has excellent links with law firms, prisons, government bodies and charities. Recent graduates from the School have gone on to pursue careers in a variety of fields including the Crown Prosecution Service, the police, the probation service, youth custody and the prison service.

THE YEAR IN INDUSTRY PATHWAY

All of our undergraduate programmes are available with a year in industry. Students on the year in industry programmes will spend the third year of their degrees on a work placement. The School will work with students and the Royal Holloway Careers and Employability service to find a suitable placement. However, Royal Holloway cannot guarantee that all students who are accepted onto the programmes will secure placements and the ultimate responsibility lies with the student.

“I am currently studying my second year of Law at Royal Holloway. My aspiration to read law was ignited through my studies of politics and history and a passion for literature. The evolution of the English legal system and one’s journey through its processes, procedures and application appeals to me. During my time at Weightmans I worked in healthcare law. Throughout the placement I was lucky enough to deal with medical reports, legislation and going to court which gave a huge insight within the field as well as giving me an idea on how certain claims work. From this experience I developed an appreciation of different areas of law which I never thought would have been so interesting.”

Hamdi Najib
Legal Placement with Weightmans LLP
President of the Royal Holloway Student Law Society 2016-17

95% of our graduates are employed or go on to further study within six months of graduating DLHE 2016

Supreme Court Moot

Students visiting Brixton Prison
Teaching and Assessment

The School of Law has a strong culture of support for students. All students are given a personal advisor before they arrive who will work with them during the course of their studies to provide academic and pastoral advice and support.

All undergraduate programmes within the School are taught through a series of lectures, seminars and workshops. Seminar groups are small enough to encourage free flowing discussions and the exchange of ideas as well allowing for tutors to provide support to individuals and small groups.

In addition to timetabled lectures and seminars the School also provides regular personal advisor meetings allowing you to meet individually with your advisor to discuss your progress. Students also have tutorials in small groups with their personal advisors to improve their academic and study skills.

The School also offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities. You are encouraged to participate in the Royal Holloway Student Law Society or the Criminology, Sociology and Psychology Society. We also offer a variety of extra-curricular activities designed to improve academic skills and boost employability including mooting, negotiation workshops, voice training courses as well as a range of trips to prisons, the Houses of Parliament and the Supreme Court.