

## LLM (Canon Law)



Looking for a Masters that's respected worldwide?

Want to develop a greater understanding of law to help you in your career?

Are you seeking an academic programme focused on practical application?

Our LLM provides:

**Developing  
academic  
and practical  
expertise for  
those interested  
in the practice or  
administration of  
church law**

- expert teaching from leading scholars and practitioners in the field
- a diverse student body of lawyers, clergy, judges and academics
- exciting career prospects
- dedicated pastoral support from our personal tutors
- the latest e-learning facilities
- a large library with an extensive canon law collection
- reading materials for students ahead of each weekend
- writing skills support for non-native English speakers where needed

The controversies surrounding the complex rules that govern religious institutions and the wider interaction of law and religion have been extremely topical in recent years. The LLM (Canon Law), the first programme of its kind, provides an opportunity to study the canon law of the churches of the Worldwide Anglican Communion, the Roman Catholic Church and relevant national and international laws.

## Modules:

### Compulsory Modules

- Conceptual Foundations and Historical Development of Canon Law
- Doctrine, Liturgy and Rites in Canon Law
- Government and Ministry in Canon Law
- The Interface of Canon Law and Civil Law

### The Centre for Law and Religion

The LLM (Canon Law) is linked closely to the Centre for Law and Religion at Cardiff Law School. The Centre promotes research in comparative law of religion, the ecclesiastical law of the State, canon law, other legal systems of religious organisations, and human rights law. In addition to producing publications, the Centre organises and contributes to conferences and teaching worldwide and has welcomed scholars working in this field from Europe, the USA and Israel. See: [www.law.cardiff.ac.uk/clr](http://www.law.cardiff.ac.uk/clr)

## Programme:

**Directed by:** Professor Norman Doe

**Study mode: Part-time:** taught over eight residential weekends over two years, held at St. Michael's College in Llandaff or Aberdare Hall in Cardiff.

**Structure: Stage 1:** You will study four modules, all of which are compulsory (see list on the left).

**Stage 2:** A 15,000 word dissertation (due December in the second year of study).

**Assessment:** Most modules are assessed by an essay of 5,000 words.

**Entry requirements:** Usually equivalent to a second class degree in law, (other appropriate qualifications will be considered), and an English language qualification for non-native English speakers (6.5 in IELTS or 100 in TOEFL internet-based test). See our website for full details.

**Fees:** 2011/12: Home/EU: £3,590 per year. International: £5,750 per year, payable in three instalments. Please note, an additional residential fee applies.

**Start date:** September

**Intake:** approximately 12-15 students each year

**Application:** recommended by the end of July. Please go to [www.cardiff.ac.uk/pg/apply](http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/pg/apply)

## Why Cardiff?

An old-established University, Cardiff is a member of the "Ivy League" Russell Group (the top 20 universities in the UK). Ideally located, it is only two hours by train from London.

Cardiff Law School was ranked 7th best Law School in the UK for research in the latest Research Assessment Exercise.

The National Geographic Traveller Magazine named Cardiff as 6th in the top ten world places to visit in Summer 2011, praising its emergence as a modern sports-entertainment destination and describing the city as a "gem".

"Cardiff is one of the best places to study in Britain. It has well situated, cheap housing, lively nights out, friendly people, great shops and hundreds of miles of countryside." *Virgin Alternative Guide to British Universities.*

*Please note that programme details are likely to change from time to time. Please see our website for up-to-date information.*



"The LLM in Canon Law helped move my professional practice towards greater specialism in church law and religious freedom and preserved my sanity in the relentless monotony of civil litigation! More importantly, I forged an invigorating academic collaboration with Professor Norman Doe, for whose enthusiasm, wisdom and encouragement I remain deeply indebted."

*Honorary Professor Mark Hill QC*



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