Cardiff Law School Legal Practice Course provider institutional profile

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General information

In 1992 the Centre for Professional Legal Studies was established within the law school, with the aim of delivering state-of-the-art training courses for the legal profession. Cardiff is now one of a small number of institutions validated to run both the Legal Practice Course (LPC) and the Bar Vocational Course (BVC). Cardiff was also one of the very few LPC providers to have consistently maintained the Law Society's highest grade of "excellent" and, in the most recent assessment visit, Cardiff was awarded the top grade in all six areas assessed.

The Centre for Professional Legal Studies is located within the Law School, which includes a practitioner library and extensive computing facilities. Students have the benefit of the wide range of facilities and services provided by the university and the students' union.

The centre is renowned for its traditional hands-on approach to teaching, delivered by a highly regarded, experienced and professional body of tutors.

Cardiff LPC students also benefit from the careers advice provided by LPC tutors, the university's careers service and a work placement scheme for students enrolling without training contracts.

In addition, Cardiff is considered to be one of the best cities in which to live and study in the UK.

Course fee	2007/2008 – £8,700 (home/European Union students) – £10,150 (for overseas students)
	Fees include the cost of course materials.
Validated places	180
Enrolled nos	2006/2007 – 181
Course length	33 teaching weeks
Foundation course	two weeks
Electives offered	Mergers and Acquisitions; Commercial Property; Intellectual Property; Commercial Litigation; Employment Law; Private Client; Housing Law; Family Law; Child Care Law
Delivery methods	Combination of one-hour large groups and two-hour or three- small groups
Class size	Large groups – all students Small groups – 16-18 students

Staffing	All LPC lecturers are qualified solicitors. The staff-student ratio is 1:12.5.
Disabled access	Good, with lift available Ground-floor computing facilities
Catering	Nearby student refectory/internet cafe
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