

Trial Run: Professionals in Practice

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PIP Context

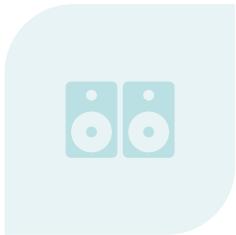
LLM Legal Practice – why?

Prepare	Prepare students for the SQE 1 and 2
Provide	Provide students with an LLM qualification
Allow	Allow students to study subjects not included in SQE
Prepare	Prepare students for the legal profession

LLM Legal Practice – what is it?



PREPARATION FOR
SQE 1 AND 2



2 X OPTIONAL
SUBJECTS (E.G.
DIGITAL LAWYERING,
FAMILY PRACTICE)



2 X PROJECTS (MINI-
DISSERTATIONS)



**PROFESSIONALS IN
PRACTICE (PIP)**

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30 credit unit,
delivered over 20
workshops

Focus on: Modern
Legal Services, the
Modern Practitioner,
the Future of Law.

Workshops normally
group work and
case study based

Plan for SIMple

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Students allocated role of trainee solicitor

Case study takes the form of interaction with a potential client

- Meeting at networking event
- Responding to questions
- Building a relationship
- Meeting and advising the client

The Interview



The focus is not going to be on law, but on communication with the client and how students might approach further research.



The client will be a startup founder with little experience.



The sim client will provide feedback on the student's performance.

How does this tie in with assessment?

PIP is assessed by way of a reflective portfolio.

Students reflect on one activity or area in each of the 3 main topics: Modern Legal Services, Modern Practitioner and Future of Law.

The sim will give students the opportunity to focus and reflect on skills: interviewing, advising, communication.

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- Not based around specific legal activity/case
- 5 hours f-2-f teaching and 'roleplays' means platform underused
- Interview element to be revisited
- Students on LLM LP have access to 3 x platforms

Conclusion



This is a first attempt with only minor alterations to PIP



Potential to expand further



We can run on other elements of LLM Legal Practice