



# Law Brief

University of Buckingham Law School Newsletter Sept18 Issue 5

## Greetings from the Law School



### Message from the new Dean of Law, Ms Sandra Clarke

"As the newly appointed Dean of Law, I am pleased to introduce myself in this edition of the Law Brief. I have received a very warm welcome here, and am enjoying getting to know the lovely staff and students.

"If I am honest, it would be difficult to say why I initially decided to study law. Like many people, I had no experience of studying it at school, and initially thought of studying English because I loved to read. It was a teacher who suggested that I might enjoy law, as it involves a lot of reading, and because I was very argumentative! I therefore applied for a place to read Jurisprudence (the philosophy of law) at St Catherine's College Oxford, and was delighted

to be awarded a place.

"From there I went on on as a pupil in two sets of chancery chambers. In those days, pupillage was unremunerated, and although my parents were very supportive in feeding and housing me free of charge and a bursary from Lincoln's Inn paid my train fares to London, there was very little left over for any fun."

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## Social media and feedback

Have you seen the Law School's *Facebook* and *Twitter* pages yet? We are [@UoBLawSchool](#) - we would love to hear from you!

The University of Buckingham's *Centre for Extractive Energy Studies* (UBCEES) is also on *Twitter* and *LinkedIn*.

In addition, many of our staff are now on *LinkedIn* - do connect with us and say hello!

Alternatively, email: [law@buckingham.ac.uk](mailto:law@buckingham.ac.uk)



Sandra Clarke

**Message from the new Dean of Law** (Continued from page one.)

"I decided it might be better to take a paid job for a year or two to raise some money, which is how I became a law lecturer - at the University of Buckingham! I first came here in 1983, to the Law School which was then on the Hunter Street campus. I have fond memories of my little room in Prebend Cottage and of my first work computer - an Amstrad PCW shared between me and another lecturer, and wheeled between the two rooms on a tea trolley! I enjoyed teaching at Buckingham so much that I never returned to the Bar.

"Some nine years later, having got married (in Buckingham Parish Church) and now with one child and another on the way, I returned to my roots on the London/Kent borders near the infamous Dartford Crossing. I started working at the University Of Greenwich, at first on a very part-time basis, much later full time, and for the last four years I was Head of Department of Law. I had not really considered leaving, but this wonderful opportunity at Buckingham came up, and I jumped at the chance to return. This is a very special place, with its calm and beautiful surroundings and its focus on students as individuals. It is great to be back!"

Sandra Clarke MA (Oxon) Barrister FHEA

## Thank you to Professor Edwards

Professor Susan Edwards has been Dean of Law at the University of Buckingham for many years. She will continue to lecture at the University of Buckingham.

We'd like to say a big "thank you" to Professor Edwards for everything she has done for the Law School.

In her new role, Professor Edwards will be responsible for external relations.





## Our alumni

### Message from our friends in Bermuda:

"The Supreme Court of Bermuda, given a recent appointment, now has the rare experience among its five Puisne Judges, three of whom are graduates of the University Law School, and are all females. They include Madam Justice Charlsetta Simmons, Madam Justice Nicole Stoneham, and the recent appointment of Madam Justice Shade Subair (née Williams)."



Kwamena Afenyo-Markin is pictured here with Tino Santonocito (our International Development Manager) and Dr James Slater, when he visited the University in February 2018.

Mr Afenyo-Markin is a Ghanaian Lawyer & Member of Parliament for Efutu in Ghana. He is also a member of the ECOWAS Parliament in Abuja, Nigeria. He is a leading Ghanaian authority on Economic and Financial Crimes, serving as lead advocate in many of the landmark cases that have tested Ghana's financial laws in the Superior Courts of the land. He graduated from UoB with a degree in law in 2006.

On his recent visit to Lusaka, Zambia, Professor John Hatchard had the great pleasure of meeting with Martin Lukwasa who graduated from the University in 2015 with a LLM. Martin is now working at the Ministry of Justice. He also accompanied Professor Hatchard to the Zambia Institute of Advanced Legal Education where he met with the Director, Dr Ann Malata-Ononuju. They discussed a variety of possible links between our & their institutions.



## London Legal Walk



The London Legal Support Trust is a charity that works to support law centres and pro-bono agencies in London and the South East by providing them with funding alongside other forms of support. They do this by holding large fundraising events, most notably the London Legal Walk.

On Monday 21st May 2018, the Law Society took on "10k for Justice" at the London Legal Walk. The walk was lead by Seye Kola-Ojo, our Charity Events Co-ordinator for the Law Society and those who took part were the society-members. We began the walk at the Royal Courts of Justice. As we continued through the route, we were able to walk with the Lord Chief Justice and several solicitors and barristers as well as organisations outside the legal field such as banking authorities, other businesses and charities. The walk concluded with a street party on Carey Street where there were the culinary delights of street food vendors and raffle prizes! The Law Society raised a total of £300.

Olachi Kassie Egole



## Research and Publications



### Professor John Hatchard

#### *Corruption and Misuse of Public Office*

The launch of the 3rd edition of Professor John Hatchard's co-authored work *Corruption and Misuse of Public Office* took place on 20th February 2018 at the offices of the international law firm Cooley LLP.

The book was launched by Sir Franklin Berman KCMG, QC, in the presence of a wide range of judges and senior legal practitioners.

The book is now the established authority on addressing corruption challenges both in the UK and internationally.

Publisher: *Oxford University Press* (2017, lxxviii and 934 pages).

### Jae Sundaram

#### *Pharmaceutical Patent Protection and World Trade Law: The Unresolved Problem of Access to Medicines*

Patents, including pharmaceutical patents, enjoy extended protection for twenty years under the TRIPs Agreement. The Agreement has resulted in creating a two-tier system of the World Trade Organisation Member States, and its implementation has seen the price of pharmaceutical products skyrocket, putting essential medicines beyond the reach of the common man. The hardest hit populations come from the developing and least developed countries, which have either a weak healthcare system or no healthcare at all, where access to essential and affordable medicines is extremely difficult to achieve.

*Pharmaceutical Patent Protection and World Trade Law* studies the problems faced by these countries in obtaining access to affordable medicines for their citizens in light of the TRIPs Agreement. It explores the opportunities that are still open for some developing countries to utilise the flexibilities available under the TRIPs Agreement in order to mitigate the damage caused by it. The book also examines the interrelationship between the world governing bodies, and the right to health contained in some of the developing country's national constitutions.

Date of Publication: 3 May 2018

Publisher: *Routledge*

### Dr Gar Yein Ng

#### *How to Measure the Quality of Judicial Reasoning*

Edited by Dr Gar Yein Ng and Mátyás Bencze: this volume explores the role of Judges and their function.

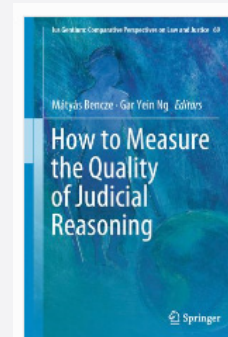
As stated on the Springer website, this work asks: "What is expected from judicial reasoning? Is there a general concept of good quality with regard to judicial reasoning? Are there any attempts being made to measure the quality of judicial reasoning? The focus is on judges meeting the highest standards possible in adjudication and how they may be held to account for the way they reason."

Dr Ng's chapter looks in depth at the Quality of Judicial Reasoning in England and Wales (pp. 103-121).

This work is of use to individuals who have 'an interest in benchmarking the quality of judicial reasoning'.

Date of Publication: 3 May 2018

Publisher: *Springer International Publishing*



## Launch of the Equine Law and Policy Research Centre

### Dr Sarah Sargent

The 19th September 2018 marked the launch of the University of Buckingham Law School's Equine Law and Policy Research Centre.

For the launch the director of the Centre, Senior lecturer Dr. Sarah Sargent, welcomed a number of guest speakers to the Radcliffe Centre for a symposium on 'Horses in Law, Society and Culture'. This included the following discussions:

- Carrie de Silva, Harper Adams University - 'Equestrian operations in the UK, Éire and the USA'.
- Laura Donnellan, University of Limerick - 'Ireland, British Equestrian Federation and Misgovernance'.
- Jonathan Merritt, De Montfort University and Jess Horton - 'Brexit', horses and animal sentience'.
- Laura Donnellan, University of Limerick, Ireland - 'The Fédération Equestre Internationale speaks for the horse who has no voice and the Court of Arbitration for Sport listened'.

Dr Sargent presented her own paper, looking into whether America's wild horses are a cultural icon or an invader species.

Head to our *Facebook* page to see photos and news from the day! If you're interested in this topic of research, get in touch - [law@buckingham.ac.uk](mailto:law@buckingham.ac.uk)

## Our LLB students

### StreetLegal



Directed by Professor Judith Bray and assisted by Julie O'Shea, the *StreetLegal* placement scheme forms part of the Law School's professional skills development programme.

The scheme is open to all law students and offers placements within various professional settings both locally and nationally.

#### Howes Percival, July 2018

In July 2018 I was offered a place at Howes Percival Solicitors' summer vacation scheme. I had a chance to join the firm for 5 days in their office in Northampton. I am very grateful to Professor Bray and Julie O'Shea for this wonderful opportunity to get insight into the work of a respected regional Solicitor's office.

I spent my first day at the private client department. I was given instructions from two clients who wanted to make their wills. I was asked to draft two wills, one for each client, and provide both clients with the respective cover letters explaining the main provisions of their wills and how they can execute them correctly.

On Day 2 I joined the commercial property department where I was asked to carry out a property investigation and draft a report outlining the key facts found about the property in question. This was to establish whether there were any risks or complications associated with the legal status of the property and whether it was a suitable purchase.

My third day was spent in the corporate and commercial department, and I was given two tasks to complete. One of them was to register a commercial firm which includes filing the required application forms at Companies House and also drafting several supporting documents which were necessary to complete the registration. The second task was to draft a Non-Disclosure (Confidentiality) agreement for a company which wanted to enter in negotiations with a potential producer of the company's unique new product. The purpose of the Non-Disclosure agreement was to protect the company's intellectual property from an unauthorised disclosure to third parties by the producer.

On Day 4 I worked in the employment department and was asked to draft a defence on behalf of an employer who had to respond to a claim made against them by a former employee. The employee was bringing the claim in the Employment Tribunal on the grounds of unfair dismissal and the employer was relying on the defence that the dismissal was appropriate in the circumstances of the case. I had to read a lengthy file

of documents and identify relevant facts which could be used as grounds for defence. There was a lot of information to analyse and apply to make a good and persuasive defence. It was an amazing intellectual and legal challenge.

On Day 5 I continued in the litigation department. However, this time I was asked to draft a claim for breach of contract which occurred when one company failed to pay the other for the delivery of a large consignment of goods. This was followed by a very interesting negotiation exercise designed to reach an agreement. The negotiation process was successful, and a productive solution based on commercial common sense was eventually found which helped both parties to keep an amicable relationship for the future and continue their business cooperation.

Overall, the placement was very dynamic, intense and useful from the professional point of view. It was a real working experience which enhanced my legal knowledge and practical skills. I once again express my sincerest thanks to Professor Bray, Julie O'Shea and to the Buckingham Law School for this invaluable opportunity.

Michael Mikhalev

#### Milton Keynes County Court, August 2018

On the 8th of August 2018 I was given the opportunity to shadow family court judges HHJ Karen Venables and DJ case. Both judges were amazing and dealt with the cases very well. There were three (3) cases in total, all private family law cases held in court room 5. These cases were similar because it had to do with couples fighting over the custody of their children\child. There was a particular case which stood out for me and was a bit emotional, it was the final hearing of the case and I was briefed of the past hearings. The mother has been given the custody of the child and the father is allowed contact with the child unsupervised for just 2 hours based on the written agreement he refuse to sign; the father was unhappy about this and he got really emotional. This got me to envisage myself as the judge at that moment of what decision I would make on the case. I probably would have increased the hours given to the father at that point, I had a rethink of the whole case and said to myself that is probably the best decision for the case because the father's history has been bad (involves abuse, violence, drugs etc). I learnt that one should not let their emotion at that moment get in the way of making the best decision for a case.

I was also pensive of the facts that people who claim to love themselves in the beginning can come to court and be filled with so much hate towards each other. Overall this placement gave me an insight into life as a barrister and a practical court hearing. It has enhanced my knowledge and interest in law and better understanding of what makes a good quality barrister.

Rhodiyat Wonuola Ogbara



## Our PhD students

### Dr. Ernest O. Ugbejeh

My Research Topic: *Towards an Effective Anti-Corruption Regimen in Nigeria: Examination of the Legal Framework of the United Nations, the African Union and Nigeria*

My time (two and half years) at the University of Buckingham for DPhil Law degree programme was tasking, interesting, enlightening and rewarding.

I met an amazing team of academics who were willing to guide me attain my goals. I had the best of supervisors. Professor John Hatchard was available and accessible. His expertise and skills in my research area: anti-corruption law and strategies gave my research focus and direction. The supports from my supervisors were overwhelming. Prof. Hatchard bought me a book and my second supervisor, Dr. Brennan personally paid for the post used in sending me my work after diligently reading through when the school was on break.

There was the postgraduate presentation and seminar organised every term by the school which afforded me the opportunity to interact with other academic staff and researchers. It was a perfect platform that gave me opportunities to further subject my work to constructive and useful critique. I was able to tap from the knowledge of other academic staff and share experiences with scholars/researchers from other jurisdictions.

The research environment was conducive. My accommodation at Caine House was about 3 minutes from my research room in the Franciscan Building. Buckingham is indeed a perfect place for studies and research because of its serenity.

I am presently a lecturer of National Open University of Nigeria, part-time independent anti-corruption consultant, and initiating anti-corruption education/advocacy in secondary schools in Nigeria.

### Oluwademilade Ishola (Year 2 Ph.D. research student)

My research topic: *Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability: The Nigerian experience*

My thesis aims to examine the development of the international legal frameworks on climate change. This would be followed by an examination of how countries are domesticating the existing climate change rules with emphasis placed on the north/south dichotomy. Nigeria, a developing nation faced with high levels of poverty, would be examined as an example of how a developing is combating the issue of climate change. Nigeria's heavy reliance on oil production, high population and high illiteracy would be examined. The thesis will conclude by showcasing possible legal steps and procedures a country like Nigeria can adopt to combat the issue of climate change and in turn achieve environmental sustainability.

### Dr. Angela Bazunu

My research topic: *The Militarisation of the Indigenous Peoples in the Niger Delta Region by the Nigerian Government; from a Constructivist Grounded Theory to Actionable-Based Policy Recommendations Geared Towards the Legal Protection of the Region's Indigenous Peoples.*

Attaining my Doctorate degree from the University of Buckingham was the most fulfilling achievement of my life.

My experiences, both challenging and rewarding, up on to this achievement in the University of Buckingham categorically played a vital role in my life's journey. Before commencing my research programme in the University of Buckingham I had the perception that research students in universities, being independent learners, had little or no relationship with a university's staff but the University of Buckingham thankfully and memorably, put this perception to bed. Through my years as a research student in the University, I felt included in the University's activities through my relations with several members of staff who handled all of my concerns and queries.

My time and experience in the University of Buckingham not only led to me attaining a Doctorate degree, but also assisted me in identifying the lacuna in the legal system of my State and Country. As I await my admission into the Nigerian Law School, I am currently working as a paralegal in the Chief Magistrates' Court Agbarho, Delta State, Nigeria. Consequent upon the experiences garnered in the Delta State libraries and courts while carrying out my doctoral research, which involved a rather gruesome struggle to obtain materials needed for my research, I am now working on creating a website for the Magistrates' Courts in Delta State. The website will contain a record of all proceedings from the Magistrates' Courts, statutory provisions as well as legal articles written by Magistrates in Delta State, enabling easy access to research materials and precedents, not just for the Magistrates and Judges, but also for researchers and students.

I am also currently writing a book chapter on the Situation of Indigenous Rights after the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) scheduled to go to press by the end of 2018. I earnestly await attaining my Bachelor of Laws Degree from the Nigerian Law School so I can make the desired changes that I yearn to make in our legal system in Delta State, Nigeria. The University Buckingham, through the challenges, instilled in me the value of hard work and focus, amongst others, sterling qualities that thankfully will remain with me forever.

## Postgraduate trip to Geneva



2018 LLM Group with Dr Adolfo Paolini

The annual visit of the LLM students to Geneva, Switzerland, was incredibly inspiring and successful. On the first day, we visited the United Nations where we enjoyed a guided tour of the building and witnessed a meeting in the 'Human Rights Council Conference Room' under Spanish artist Miquel Barceló's famously painted ceiling, whereby each seat has a different colourful view - a metaphor for the importance of perception. We then walked to the flags of the Nations flying outside the building, where we took photographs until the rain forced us to the bus! The next morning, we visited the World Trade Organisation where we attended two insightful lectures and toured the building and gardens. In the afternoon, we attended a poignant and emotional seminar at the International Committee of the Red Cross and had the opportunity to be photographed to join the 'longest-ever digital human chain' for 'human dignity'. The following day we visited the sights of Geneva and many students enjoyed a boat tour of Lake Geneva, visits to the 'Old Town' and the Patek Philippe museum. Upon reflection on the trip, many students expressed their happiness in finding clarification and direction regarding their future careers. The trip was full of inspiring visits, Italian food, limoncello (Adele!) and a little rain but was an unforgettable experience and a joy to attend.

Natalie Turney, LLM student

## Part-time LLB



2018 Part-time Graduates with Law School staff

The part-time LLB programme at the University of Buckingham enables students of all ages and walks of life to continue with their careers and busy personal lives, whilst studying for a law degree.

Taken over four years, with classes on Wednesday evenings during term time, it brings together a diverse group of people, from school leavers to those already established in a wide range of professions, such as police officers, managers and businessmen and women.

It demonstrates that, with the right degree of dedication, all can blossom and flourish through higher education.



Dr James Slater & Margaret Darrell

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## Highlights - Spring/Summer 2018

*This is what we've been doing lately! What are you up to? Get in touch: [law@buckingham.ac.uk](mailto:law@buckingham.ac.uk)*

### CAB Reception, April

Our student helpers who took part in the CAB programme received their certificates.



### Dinner with the Vice-Chancellor

Many of the Law School team met with the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Anthony Seldon, in July. Guests were treated to Shakespearian sonnets, opera excerpts and birdsong after dinner.



### Speaking at the House of Commons Seminar

Shrooq Alqahtani & Tina Heindari were two of the speakers at the 'Women Worldwide Advancing Freedom & Equality' (WWAFE) at the House of Commons in June.

Shrooq said she "enjoyed the whole experience & made many new, great connections."

Shrooq talked about women participation in the Arab uprisings and violations of human rights, which generated a lot of interest and questions from the audience.

### Interview with MKFM

In September, shortly after finishing her LLM, Natalie Turney popped into MKFM and shared some of her experiences studying here.

The podcast can be heard on the MKFM website: <https://www.mkfm.com/on-air/podcasts/the-mid-morning-show/>



### The Mayor visits the Law School

Mr Jon Harvey, the mayor of Buckingham, visited the Law School in May.



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### UBCEES workshop

With Mr John Brown,  
Cooley LLP: Consultant in  
Law of the Sea



In February 2018 Professor John Hatchard (UoB Law Lecturer) participated in the first Meeting of Commonwealth Heads of Central Authorities held Marlborough House in London.

The meeting was attended by senior law officers from over 20 Commonwealth member states as well as senior officials from the US Department of Justice and Swiss Department of Justice and Police. Professor Hatchard chaired a session on international cooperation in criminal matters and also presented a paper on mutual legal assistance and legal education. He also had the pleasure of presenting a copy of his book *Combating Corruption: Legal Approaches to Supporting Good Governance and Integrity in Africa* to the Attorney General of Zambia for onward transmission to the President of Zambia, Edgar Lungu, who was formerly a student of Professor Hatchard at the University of Zambia. Amongst the other participants was Mary Kachale, the Director of Public Prosecutions in Malawi. Professor Hatchard is pictured with her in the Blenheim Room at Marlborough House.

### Professor John Hatchard at the First Meeting of Commonwealth Heads



### Professor Edwards interviewed on Sky

Professor Susan Edwards was interviewed on Sky News in April regarding Alison Saunders stepping down from her role as Director of Public Prosecutions. Professor Edwards spoke of Saunders' achievements, the non-disclosure failings and the crisis in public funding of the criminal justice system.



### Dr Hephzibah Egede in Ghana

Dr Hephzibah Egede, Co-Director, University of Buckingham Centre for Extractive Energy Studies (UBCEES) visited Ghana in April 2018. She attended the Energy Solutions stakeholder workshop organised by the Open University (OU) and University of Ghana, Legon. The workshop attracted participants from the UK, Tanzania and

India and focused on how to tackle inequitable access to energy in sub-Saharan Africa. At the workshop, Dr Egede led the session on energy justice in sub-Saharan Africa. A number of media outlets including Citi 97.3 and TV3 News at 10 interviewed Dr Egede who spoke on the offshore Oil and Gas sector in West Africa and on wider issues to do with widening access to affordable energy in Africa. During the trip, Dr Egede (UBCEES) and the OU and University of Ghana team paid a courtesy visit to the Ministry of Energy. They shared ideas with senior ministry officials on providing affordable energy to bottom of the pyramid (BoP) communities in developing countries.



## Guest lectures



### Dr Lowe's seminar

In April Dr David Lowe, from the University of Liverpool, visited the University of Buckingham to present his seminar 'The Rise of the Far Right: the threats the Far Right Ideology Poses in Society and Conflicts with Freedom of Expression'. The workshop was based on Dr Lowe's research with the UK's Home Office and his book *Terrorism: Law & Policy*. The workshop examined the legal options for how to deal with the "far-right narrative", touching on how three far-right groups in the UK are classed as terrorist organisations, thereby allowing terrorism legislation to be applied to these groups. The workshop concluded by examining the right of freedom of expression. The event was very popular; we hope Dr Lowe will visit again in future.

### Other visiting lecturers

The Advocacy Workshop, which takes place twice a year, was presented by Sir Ivan Lawrence QC in February and by Mr Peter Marcus, a barrister at Zenith Chambers, in July.

In April, Professor Jo Samanta (Professor of Medical Law at DeMontfort University) presented a lecture titled: "Dangling by a filament of consciousness: the legal and ethical challenges of withdrawing clinically assisted nutrition and hydration from people in the minimally conscious state."

The Law School welcomes visiting lecturers throughout the year. If you would like to find out more, visit the 'events' section of the University website, or head to our social media pages.

## Careers in Law Conference

On 18th July the University of Buckingham welcomed pupils from local schools to the Careers in Law Conference.

The event was kick-started by Dr James Slater who shared some of his experiences as a solicitor in London.

UoB alumna and Chief Executive of Table Tennis England, Sara Sutcliffe explained how a degree in law can lead her to working behind the scenes at the Beijing Olympics!

Peter Marcus, a barrister at Zennith Chambers and a visiting lecturer at Buckingham, wowed the audience with his humorous presentation, throwing satsumas to those who gave the best answers.

Mr Gavin Love and some of our current students wrapped-up the afternoon with a recreation of a real court trial – our visitors had to decide if the defendant was guilty or not guilty. We had some wonderful feedback about the day & are already looking forward to next year's event!



## Law Student for a Day

Our 'Law Student for a Day' visitors sit in on a timetabled lecture, get to chat to current students over lunch and experience a tutorial, so they can see what it is really like at the University of Buckingham. These are held twice every term, so keep your eyes on the website for our next event.

A big "thank you" to our wonderful student helpers who have volunteered their time: Yousef Bendahane, Matilda Eason-Jarvis, Charley-Anne Gordon, Alice Harvey, Michelle Muthoni, Drew Reed and Quinn Smethurst.



# Prize-giving ceremony

*Well done to all our students who excelled in their summer exams!*

The Best Performance - June Preliminary Examinations: Deborah Seagrave & Quinn Smethurst

The Best Performance - Part 1 Examinations: Drew Reed

Good Performance - Part 1 Examinations: Sotuminu Omotunde

The Aylesbury Vale District Council Chairman Prize - Best Performance in Public Law in Preliminary/Part 1 Exams: Quinn Smethurst

The Butterworths Prize - Best Performance in Part 2 Final Examinations: Polly Smallwood

Good Performance - Part 2 Examinations: Karen Evelyn & Vaneet Sahota

The Merit Prize - good all-round performance academically and for making an important contribution to University life: Shrooq Alqahtani

The Tunku Abdul Rahman Prize - International Law: Emma Eastwood

Kandahar Horlogerie Prize: Shrooq Alqahtani

The Rachel Lawrence Prize - Mooting & Legal Skills: Charley-Anne Gordon & Drew Reed

Commerical Law: Vaneet Sahota

Company Law: Rebecca Plater & Cheddi Bassoo

European Union 1 Law: Nissa Anwar Khan, Annie McDermott, Sonali Garg & Marissa Sacrantino Wilson

European Union 2 Law: Drew Reed

Intellectual Property Law: Miriam Forman

Introduction to Legal Studies: Richard Sky

Legal Skills and Procedure: Charley-Anne Gordon & Drew Reed

Land Law: Rebecca Plater

Law of Torts: Ali Hassan Kassam

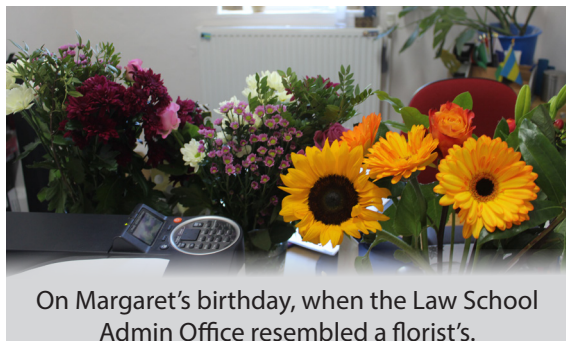
Sex and Gender in the Legal Process: Shrooq Alqahtani & David Bello

Medical Law and Ethics: Miriam Forman & Megan Robinson





## #UoBFamily



On Margaret's birthday, when the Law School Admin Office resembled a florist's.



When the cookie monster visited.



At a brilliant public-speaking Careers workshop run by Stephen Whitton; Stefano was one of the stand-out attendees!



Matilda Eason-Jarvis & Alice Harvey, and Law lecturer Kerry Usher, took part in the Race for Life in May. Here they are with their well-earned medals.



Members of the Law Society visited Lincolns Inn in February.



Professor Edwards gave a talk at a Conference in Manchester this April, which marked the centenary of (some) women winning the vote in the UK.

## What inspired you to study Law?

The Hon. Dr Jocelyne Scutt, lecturer at UoB:

As a child I was aware of injustice and unequal treatment. This showed starkly in the treatment of Indigenous Australians and I recall going to school in York, a country town in Western Australia, seeing Indigenous Australian children standing by the road gazing at those of us on our way to school, and clearly feeling 'shut out' and not a part of the (dominant) community.

I also was aware of class distinctions and poverty that held children down... a family in another country town, Meckering, was seen as 'different'. The children came to school but wore hand-me-downs and were less often included in games and other activities. This experience impacted hugely and when, in the midst of a debate with my maternal grandmother (which I won), she said to me: "Jocelyne, you'll just have to be a lawyer."

The admonishment stuck. So I did.



Dr Gar Yein Ng, lecturer at UoB:

When I was growing up, I remember seeing footage of Tiananmen square and also of British troops in Northern Ireland, with armies targeting their own people. After that came the civil war in (what was then called) Yugoslavia. Even at a young age, this made an impression on me and made me wonder what I could do to prevent things like this.

I didn't do brilliantly in my A levels, but I persevered and achieved a PhD in Law. And now I am able to work with people who, like me, want to act when they see injustice, through my research, teaching and international consultancies.





# Scholarships and bursaries

## High Achiever Scholarships

An automatic scholarship, worth £2,000 per annum, is available to undergraduate Home (UK/EU) students achieving ABB or above in their A Levels.

## Buckingham bursaries

Students in receipt of a maintenance loan of £5,000 or more per annum will receive an automatic bursary of £1,100 per annum.

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