



immerse Academic
EDUCATION INSIGHTS

Law

SYLLABUS OVERVIEW

15-18 YEARS OLD

TORONTO

About the Programme

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Academic Sessions

Sessions during the programme are organised into thematic areas that allow students to explore a broad range of topics in depth. The programme combines two types of sessions: theory-based sessions that introduce advanced concepts similar to university study, and practical-based sessions that encourage students to apply this knowledge to case studies, real-world projects, or research tasks. Topics highlighted in this guide are indicative and may be adapted by tutors to reflect their academic expertise or participants' interests. This approach helps students develop both subject knowledge and the ability to think critically and independently.



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Preparatory work

Some tutors may ask participants to complete preparatory work before the start of the programme, such as assigned reading, independent pre-research, or a series of short exercises. These tasks help ensure that all students begin the course with a shared foundation of understanding and are ready to engage in higher-level discussion and analysis. Preparatory materials are provided in advance and designed to make students feel more confident, better prepared, and able to get the most out of their academic experience once the programme begins.

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Academic Difficulty

Immerse Education's Academic Insights programmes are designed to introduce students to university-level study and build on necessary skills. The material can be challenging, but tutors provide structured guidance, personalised feedback, and encouragement throughout. Each participant is supported according to their own level and learning goals, ensuring that everyone is able to progress and achieve their potential. This academically stimulating experience is something to look forward to — an opportunity to build confidence, expand knowledge, and develop valuable study skills in a supportive and inspiring environment.



Aim of the Law Programme

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Introduction to Law

Law provides the foundation for social order, equality, and protection of rights. This programme invites students to examine law as both an academic discipline and a dynamic instrument of change. Through lectures, discussions, and case analysis, students will explore how legal systems evolve to meet modern challenges. Set in Toronto, a diverse and globally connected city, the course emphasises the importance of cross-cultural understanding and the role of law in a democratic and multicultural society.

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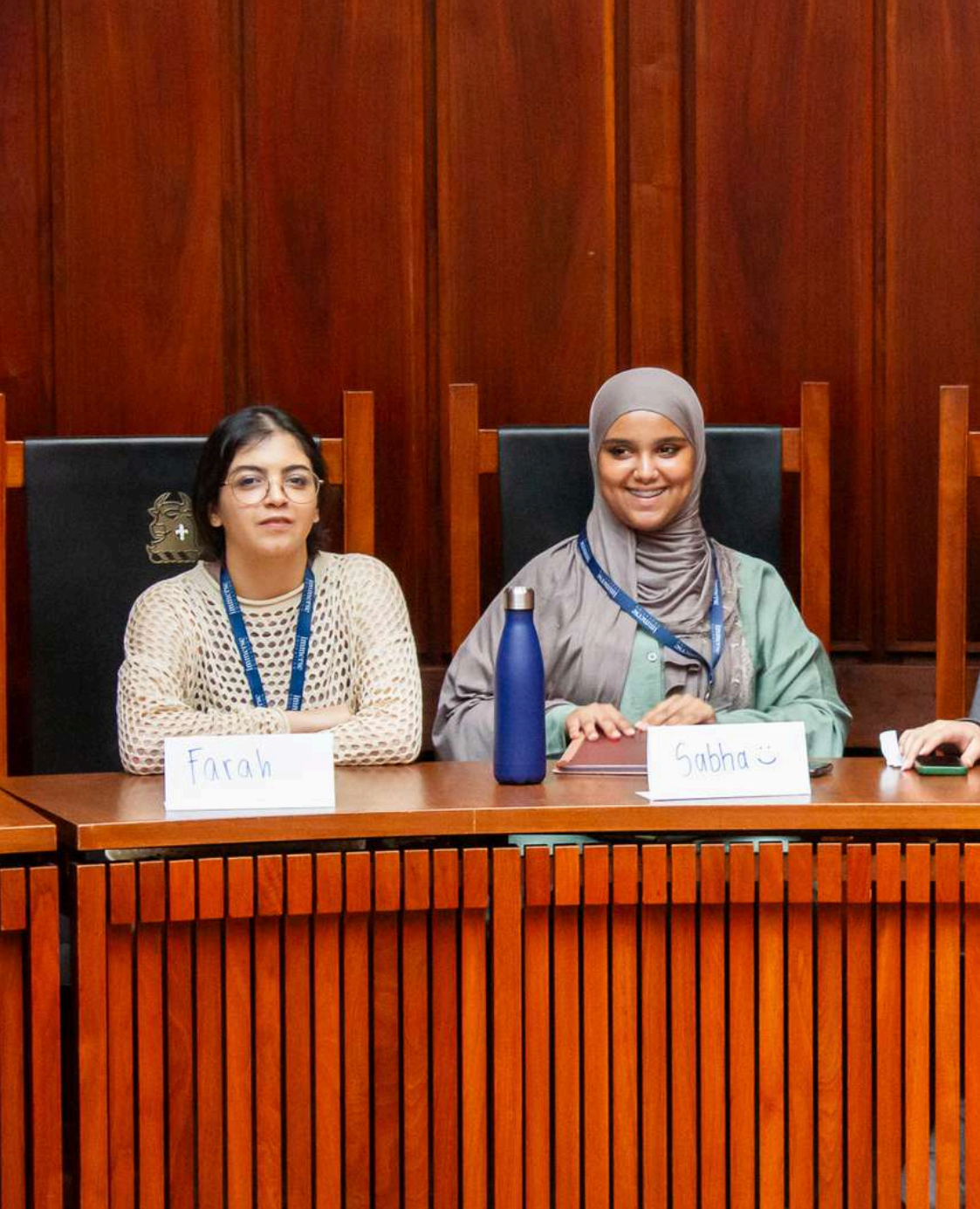
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Foundations of Law and Legal Systems

Examine how legal systems have evolved and the philosophical principles that underpin them. You will explore concepts such as justice, equality, and the rule of law while comparing common law and civil law traditions. Students analyse how courts interpret legislation and resolve disputes, developing a foundation for academic reasoning and critical evaluation of legal theory.



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Constitutional Law and the Separation of Powers

Explore how constitutions define the structure of government and safeguard individual freedoms. You will study principles such as separation of powers, judicial review, and federalism, with reference to international examples. Case-based discussions highlight how constitutional law balances state authority with personal liberty. This topic strengthens understanding of governance, civic responsibility, and the protection of rights within democratic societies.



Criminal Law and the Justice System

Analyse how criminal law defines offences and determines liability. You will explore the essential elements of criminal responsibility — including intent and action — through examination of legal and ethical dilemmas. Students discuss issues such as justice, punishment, and deterrence, considering how societal values influence the creation of law. This topic develops logical reasoning and argumentation skills, key to success in legal study.





Contract and Commercial Law

Understand how legal agreements regulate transactions and relationships. You will study the formation, interpretation, and enforcement of contracts, focusing on principles such as offer, acceptance, and consideration. Case examples help students evaluate fairness, obligation, and remedies within contractual law. This topic builds skills in structured argumentation and precision in legal writing, providing a foundation for further study in private law.

Human Rights and International Law

Explore the frameworks that protect human rights and guide relations between nations. You will examine international treaties, organisations, and case law addressing global issues such as environmental justice, conflict resolution, and migration. Students analyse how domestic and international law interact to uphold human dignity and equality. This topic encourages ethical reflection and a global understanding of justice.





Law, Society, and Emerging Challenges

Investigate how legal systems adapt to rapid social and technological change. You will explore contemporary legal issues such as privacy, artificial intelligence, and environmental responsibility. Through discussion and debate, students consider how law responds to new ethical questions and supports inclusive societies. This topic fosters adaptability, critical thinking, and intellectual curiosity — essential skills for future legal scholars.

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Personal Project

Each Academic Insights programme includes an individual project focused on independent research and academic reflection. The Personal Project allows students to explore a specific topic or question in greater depth, applying theoretical knowledge and original thinking. With guidance from their tutor, participants develop their ideas throughout the programme and present their findings at the end. The Personal Project may take the form of essay, presentation, creative piece, or report.

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After Your Programme

By the end of the programme, students gain a solid understanding of their chosen subject and how it is studied at university. They leave with enhanced independent thinking, critical research and analysis, and communication skills, as well as confidence for advanced learning. Each participant receives an individual feedback report from their tutor, highlighting strengths, progress, and personalised recommendations for future study. Students can also use their Personal Project and tutor feedback as part of their university applications or portfolios, showcasing both academic ability and intellectual curiosity.

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