

Module Details	
Module Title:	Immigration and Refugee Law
Module Code:	LAW7023-B
Academic Year:	2019-20
Credit Rating:	20
School:	School of Law
Subject Area:	Law
FHEQ Level:	FHEQ Level 7 (Masters)
Pre-requisites:	
Co-requisites:	

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Lectures	24
Directed Study	176

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2 (Feb - May)

Module Aims
The module builds on a range of theoretical perspectives that enable students to critically interrogate the origins of, and current developments in international refugee and migration law. Students will engage with case law and policy documents, as well as key academic texts to acquire both sound knowledge of the law and critical awareness of the biases, gaps and challenges in the current system.

Outline Syllabus
Introduction to core concepts, such as sovereignty, nationality and statelessness; International refugee law, including its regional dimensions; Trafficking and smuggling; The rights of migrants, with a particular focus on migrant workers; Broader questions of global refugee and migration law and policy.

Learning Outcomes

1	Evaluate the various sources, institutions and procedures in the field of international migration and asylum law.
2	Critically appraise the theoretical debates in the field and engage in critical legal analysis of the practice of judicial and other institutions.
3	Critically reflect on the role of the law in shaping the experiences of migrants and asylum seekers, including the protection of their rights.
4	Carry out independent research in the field of international migration and asylum law and policy using both library-based and electronic resources.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

You will attend a weekly 2 hour workshop. For each of the workshops you will be asked to carry out some preparatory work which is likely to include reading articles, book chapters and primary legal materials. Your preparation will also include independently researching questions set. During the workshops there may be some lecture input and you will be asked to discuss your preparation and work in groups or individually to critique additional materials, debate questions and analyse primary law. There will be follow up work after most workshops to consolidate your learning and help you develop the criticality required at this level. Your work will be supported by the use of the Virtual Learning Environment where you will find relevant materials.

You will be assessed by coursework only in this module. This assessment will take the form of critical analysis of existing legal instruments and case law and you will be required to explain your approach. This assessment will test your knowledge and understanding of theoretical perspectives and approaches to law and legal reasoning while allowing you to choose a legal area relevant to this module and your own interests.

Mode of Assessment

Type	Method	Description	Length	Weighting
Formative	Coursework	Pre submission hand in	-1000 words	%
Summative	Coursework	Essay or critique.	-4000 words	100%

Reading List

To access the reading list for this module, please visit <https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html>.

Please note:

This module descriptor has been published in advance of the academic year to which it applies. Every effort has been made to ensure that the information is accurate at the time of publication, but minor changes may occur given the interval between publishing and commencement of teaching. Upon commencement of the module, students will receive a handbook with further detail about the module and any changes will be discussed and/or communicated at this point.