



St. Wilfrid's
R.C. College

Law Curriculum

*Excellentia per fidem,
per scientiam, per adiuvatum*

Excellence through faith, learning and support

Term 1

Introduction to Law and law making based on all/majority of students having no legal knowledge. Skills of knowledge and understanding and application of the law. Civil Law – 4 topics within this vast area. Skills of knowledge and understanding and analysis and evaluation. Criminal Law – 1 topic within this vast area. Skills of knowledge and understanding and analysis and evaluation.

Justification: The first topics are introduction and foundation knowledge topics and are also examined in Component 1 Section A, the first question types in the first exam to reinforce the order of question types in the exams. Following this are the topics in Component 1 Section B which look at specific areas of the legal system and cover the other questions types in Component 1, again reinforcing the order in the exams.

Term 2

Criminal Law – 7 topics within this vast area. Skills of knowledge and understanding and analysis and evaluation. Legal Profession – 4 topics linked to careers to support students' future planning. Skills of knowledge and understanding and analysis and evaluation. Human Rights Law – 1 substantive topic. Skills of analysis and evaluation, knowledge and understanding and application of the law.

Justification: A continuation of the topics in Component 1 Section B, looking at specific areas of the legal system and covering the 10 and 15 mark questions types in Component 1. Following this is the first substantive area of law, chosen because it allows students to build on the knowledge in Year 12 and develop the required skills in both Components 2 and 3. It is also the most citation heavy so, following student feedback, will allow them more time to learn that citation.

Term 3

Human Rights Law – 8 substantive topics. Skills of analysis and evaluation, knowledge and understanding and application of the law. Justification: This is the first substantive area of law, chosen because it allows students to build on the knowledge in Year 12 and develop the required skills in both .Components 2 and 3. It is also the most citation heavy so, following student feedback, will allow them more time to learn that citation.

Opportunities for cultural capital:

All topics give an idea of the impact of law on day-to-day lives. Visits from President of Tribunals, Deputy District Judge, Solicitors, Barristers and Police Officers.

Reading: Regular opportunities for reading are provided during lessons through cases and citation, articles from the BBC, The Guardian, The Times and The Independent and articles from The A Level Law Review. Each week, a further reading opportunity will be provided on a piece of law in the news and relevant to the current studies as a piece of homework.

Key Stage 5 and Beyond/Careers: Students have the opportunity to learn about the legal profession and opportunities for work within it. Students taking Law A Level will also study these topics at university in their Law degree and many former students still use their notes from A Level in those studies too. The skills developed across the A Level can be used by all students across a wide variety of careers in the future.

Term 1

Criminal Law – 15 substantive topics. Skills of analysis and evaluation, knowledge and understanding and application of the law.

Justification: This substantive area of law is chosen because it allows students to build on the knowledge in Year 12 and develop the required skills in both Components 2 and 3, particularly as the specific way of answering questions in this area is the same as in the final area.

Term 2

Tort Law (an area of Civil Law) – 15 substantive topics. Skills of analysis and evaluation, knowledge and understanding and application of the law.

Justification: This is the final substantive area of law and allows students to build on the knowledge in Year 12 and develop the required skills in both Components 2 and 3, again building on the second substantive law topic.

Term 3

Skills of analysis and evaluation, knowledge and understanding and application of the law.

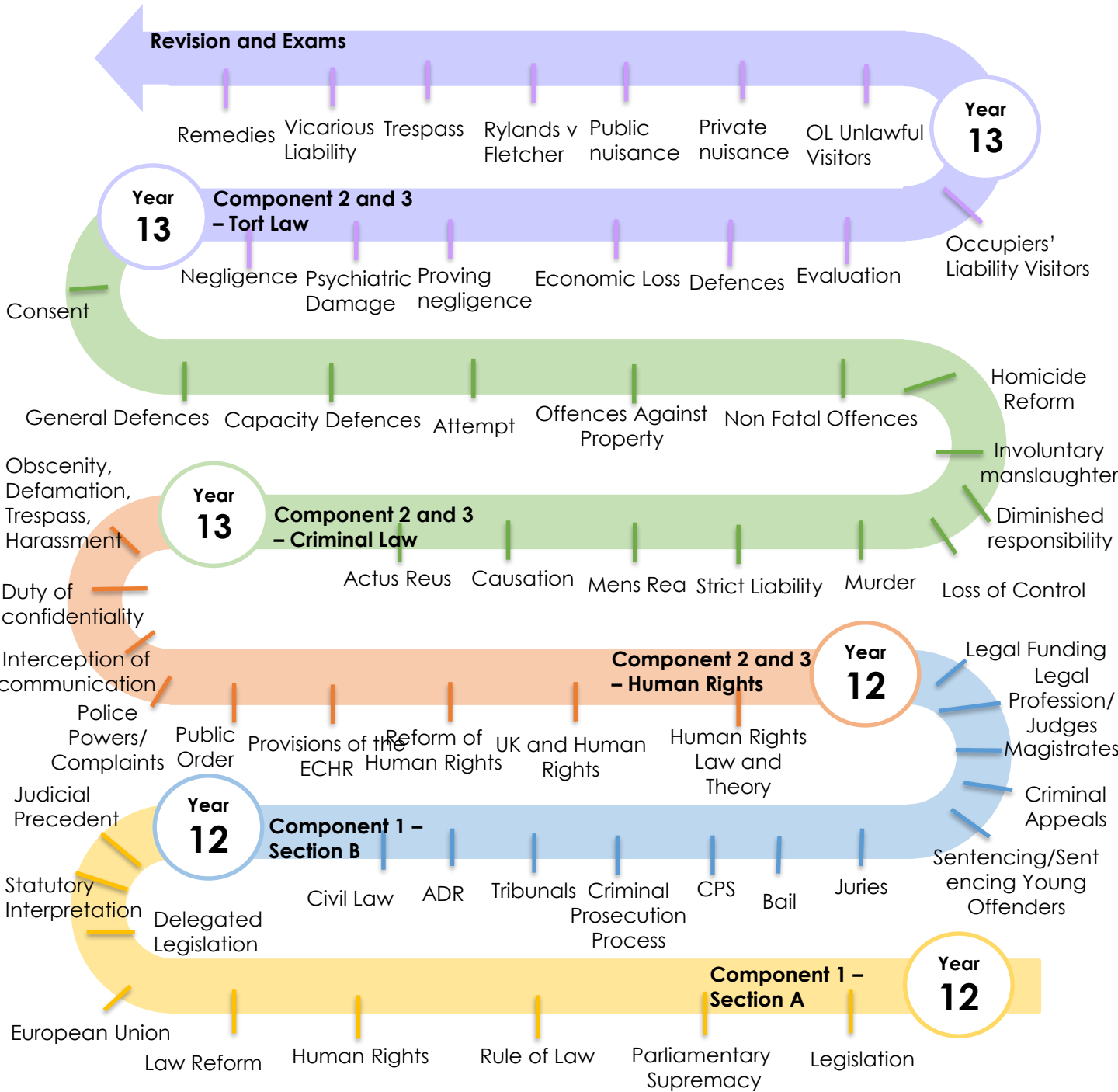
Justification: Time allowed to revise for the exams alongside some flexibility, to complete the final part of the final substantive law topic, if required.

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Law Skills		
AO1 Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles	AO2 Apply legal rules and principles to given scenarios in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology	AO3 Analyse and evaluate legal rules, principles, concepts and issues

WJEC Eduqas GCE A Level Law

Component 1: The Nature of Law and the English Legal System

Written examination: 1 hour 30 minutes

25% of the qualification

Assessment overview

Section A: Law making and the nature of law

Two short answer questions and one scenario based question

Section B: The English legal system and the nature of law

One question from a choice of two essay type questions, each consisting of part a) and b).

Component 2: Substantive Law in Practice

Written examination: 2 hours 15 minutes

37.5% of the qualification

Assessment overview

One scenario based question from three different sections:

Section B – Law of tort (private law)

Section C – Criminal law (public law)

Section D – Human Rights

Component 3: Perspectives of Substantive Law

Written examination: 2 hours 15 minutes

37.5% of the qualification

One essay question from three different sections:

Section B – Law of tort (private law)

Section C – Criminal law (public law)

Section D – Human Rights

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AO2

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AO3

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	AO1	AO2	AO3	TOTAL
Component 1	10%	7.5%	7.5%	25%
Component 2	15%	22.5%	-	37.5%
Component 3	15%	-	22.5%	37.5%
Overall weighting	40%	30%	30%	100%