

Your Degree What Next: Law & Business

This is an exciting area to study for those who wish to learn about business and legal concepts, theories and models in order to build a foundation on which they can pursue professional law or embark on a business path. Many graduates decide to pursue areas such as international Law, Information Technology Law, Intellectual Property Law, Aviation Law, digital marketing, entrepreneurship and many also look to gain work experience in the business or legal world before choosing which area to specialise in. Past students are now leaders in the world of business, law, government, entertainment, technology, innovation and not-for-profit organisations.

What skills can I develop at Trinity?

You gain a wide range of skills while at College, through academic study, clubs and societies, voluntary work, student politics, work and other commitments. These are important to recognize as they inform your career decisions and are a critical ingredient in your applications for postgraduate study and jobs. Here are some skills you can gain through your course:

1. Critical Thinking - The most fundamental part of a university education is learning to work on your own and to make independent judgments. You have to discover the information that you need to analyse complex questions and develop your ideas about them and to present your arguments clearly and persuasively in a wide range of business scenarios.

2. Teamwork - Learning to work as part of a team is an important skill; sharing the workload, agree-ing roles and working as a team to develop ideas, analyse information and present a coherent group argument.

4. Logical argumentation - You will know how to combine facts and arguments in order to answer a specific question or analyse a business problem.

5. Time and project management - By working on assignments and studying for exams you will have developed the ability to revise and consolidate your work how to extract the essential points from a mass of information. You will also have learned how to manage your own time and to work under pressure.

6. Language Skills - Ability to communicate fluently and appropriately, maintaining a high degree of grammatical accuracy in a foreign language, and to be able to apply effectively and appropriately your language skills in a professional context.

7. Verbal communication - You will know how to present your ideas orally such as in the presentation of business reports and to contribute constructively to discussions.

8. Written communication - You will have had the opportunity to present your ideas in writing accurately and concisely, using convincing arguments which are based on solid evidence; responding flexibly to different types of questions and expressing your thoughts concisely; carrying out in-depth research on a specialised topic and develop the sustained writing skills needed.

9. Digital Skills - You will have had the opportunity to develop your computer skills both from typing up your own essays and papers and from undertaking searches on the web & using databases.

10. Personal Development - You are managing your own learning, ensuring that any gaps in your understanding are addressed in ways that best suit your learning style. You will develop self awareness, openness and sensitivity to diversity in terms of people, cultures, business and management issues.

3. Independent Research - You will have learnt

What can I do with a Law & Business degree?

Graduates have many options available upon completion of their degree. Careers are available in all sectors of industry, such as in finance, technology, the world of publishing and journalism, the European Union, marketing, public service, not-for-profit and the arts. Of course, there is also the option to secure a training contract with a legal firm and embark on your postgraduate path towards professional law. Both the solicitor and barrister pathway is open to you, providing you gain the necessary experience and take the appropriate exams. There is also the option of entrepreneurship with Trinity graduates having a fantastic record for embarking on projects straight from college.

Roles	Employers
Entrepreneur	McCann Fitzgerald
Barrister	Arthur Cox
Legal Assistant	Google
Management Consultant	PwC
Research Associate	Stripe

Many graduates go on to postgraduate courses such as a masters or PhD to develop skills in specific areas of law but others go on to pursue other interests such as Business Innovation, Digital Marketing or Journalism. Many choose to broaden and deepen their skill base, by studying in areas such as legal management, international relations, or in later years pursuing an MBA.

Useful Resources

Resources	Professional Bodies
gradireland (IE)	Law Society
Working with the EU	Enterprise Ireland
Becoming a Barrister	The Kings Inns
Becoming a Solicitor	Free Legal Aid Board
Vault Career Insider (Global)	Marketing Institute of Ireland

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