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| **Module Title** | Housing Law and Enforcement  | **Date of Approval** | Click here to enter a date. |
| **Module Code** | 5EV513 | **Module Level** | 5 | **Credit value** | 20 |
| **Module Delivery****Mode** | Online/Distance [x]   | Blended/Face to Face [ ]  | Work-Based Learning [ ]  |
|  | Hours of work experience: Choose an item. |
| **Module Description** | In this module students will develop an appreciation of the basis of the legal system, including criminal and civil law. Will examine the legislation used by Local Housing Authorities to effectively regulate the housing sector to ensure the housing stock is repaired and maintained. You will understand the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS) and the operating guidance that underpins the assessment process. You will be able to explain the concept of statutory nuisance and how it may be used to resolve housing problems including case law as an alternative to the Housing Act. Finally, you will learn the importance of the Landlords and Tenants legislation and other useful legal tools to thwart harassment and illegal eviction. |
| **Module Learning Outcomes** | On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:1. Recognise the legal system in Britain and powers and remedies to resolve housing problems
2. Be able to apply housing legislation to support enforcement decisions made by Local Housing Authorities in regulating the housing sector
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| **Module Content** | * The types of Courts with example of cases that may be heard at each tier
* The principal parts of the Housing Acts that are used in private rented sector regulation
* Explain the Housing Health and Safety Rating System (HHSRS)
* The Housing and Planning Act and it’s use by regulators
* Use of civil law to improve housing standards
* The importance of property licensing schemes and the benefits of the differing schemes
* Enforcement options to improve Houses in Multiple Occupations to secure decent standards
* The use of legislation when responding to and preventing overcrowding
* Statutory nuisance and its role in improving housing conditions
* Landlord and tenant legislation and how it is used to prevent illegal eviction and harassment
* Authorised officers’ powers of entry, duties and responsibilities
* Key aspects of the Regulators Code in relation to housing regulation
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| **Module Learning and Teaching** | Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities | 10% |
| Guided Independent Study  | 80% |
| Placement Learning | 10% |
| **Module Assessment** | **Component 1**: COURSEWORK Summary of Assessment Method: A case study outlining a housing stressor and suitable intervention options including the drafting of an enforcement notice. Weighting: 100%Assesses Learning Outcomes: 1 and 2**Component 2**: COURSEWORKSummary of Assessment Method: An environmental health housing portfolio demonstrating knowledge and application of law and practice from inspection to preparation for a case together with reflection incorporating theory and evidence of effectiveness. A signed proforma from sponsor confirming 48 weeks of active engagement and successful work experienceWeighting: P/FAssesses Learning Outcomes: 1 and 2 |
| **Reading List** | Reading lists are available via the university online reading platform: <https://derby.leganto.exlibrisgroup.com/leganto/readinglist/searchlists?auth=SAML> |

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