**LLB (Hon) Appendix 1 – Frequently asked questions**

**Q1 - What is a Qualifying Law Degree (QLD) and what do I need to do to achieve this?**

A QLD is an undergraduate law degree that is recognised by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) and Bar Standards Board (BSB) for the purpose of permitting graduates to proceed to the vocational stage of training to be a Solicitor or Barrister. There are specific requirements regarding the subjects that you must study and the number of assessment attempts that you are permitted. In order for your law degree to be classified as a QLD, it must adhere to the following standards:

You must cover the following subject areas. These subject areas are collectively known as the ‘Foundations of Legal Knowledge.’

* Contract Law
* Tort Law
* Criminal Law
* Constitutional and Administrative Law
* Property law
* Equity and Trusts
* The Law of the European Union

You must pass each foundation subject. All of the foundation subjects are studied in the first and second year of the law courses. This means that you must achieve an overall mark of 40 or above in the following modules:

At level 4: English Legal System, Method and Skills; Public Law; The Law of Contract; Tort Law; and Criminal Law

At level 5: Property Law; Applied Criminal Law; Equity and Trusts Law; and Law of the European Union

If you fail to achieve an overall mark of 40 or above in any of the foundation subjects following the permitted number of resits, you will no longer be eligible to achieve a QLD. You may be eligible to continue on your course and achieve an LLB (Hons) Legal Studies, however this will not be recognised by the SRA or BSB as a QLD / completion of the academic stage of training.

**Q2 – How many attempts/sits of an assessment do I have?**

You are permitted to undertake re-assessment in all modules, where eligible. Your eligibility will be determined by a Progression and Award Board (also referred to as Exam Board) that makes decisions based upon the Academic Regulations that apply to your course. As standard, you would normally be entitled to a first sit, and one reassessment opportunity, in the same academic year. Any further entitlement to reassessment will be communicated to you via Results Online. For further guidance regarding resits and the impact on your QLD / academic stage of training status, you should ensure you speak to your academic advisor and read the relevant Exam Board decision published via results online at the end of the academic year and/or resit period.

**Q3 – How do I get my results following an assessment?**

Provisional results will generally be released via MyBeckett after marking and associated administrative tasks have been completed. Whilst the aim is to provide feedback and results within four weeks of the end of the term in which the assessment was taken, this may not always be possible and particularly so in the current climate – your course director will keep you informed as to when results and feedback will be released (University Break weeks in December and March/April are not counted as ‘weeks’ for the purposes of marking). It is important to bear in mind that these results are provisional and subject to change pending confirmation by the Exam Board.

In 2020/21 the Exam Boards will take place in July and September (resit board). All students must check Results Online for the Exam Board decision regarding their progression to the next level / year or their award status. These decisions and confirmed marks are made available 5 working days after the Exam Board.

**Q4 – MyBeckett / Results Online does not show a mark next to my student ID on one or more of my modules – what should I do?**

You should contact the relevant module leader and the Academic Services team (law@leedsbeckett.ac.uk) as soon as possible if you think there should be a mark there because you submitted / sat an assessment.

If you did not submit because you were granted mitigation, you should check your emails, MyBeckett and the university timetable regularly for details of resit / deferred sit information.

Please refer to the Academic Regulations for further information. If you have any questions or issues relating to progression to the next level and/or award, please contact:

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	+ Course Leader: Caroline Owen (please note that Caroline is away from the University on sabbatical – returning January 2021) c.m.owen@leedsbeckett.ac.uk