

External Examiners' Report

2020/2021

General details	
Subject	Advanced Property Law and Practice; Housing Law; Real Estate Knowledge; Advanced Real Estate
Name of external examiner	Mark Richards
Date of report	1 September 2021

1 Report Checklist	
Have you received:	
1.1 LPC Handbook(s)?	YES
1.2 LPC Assessment Regulations?	YES
1.3 Module Descriptions?	YES
1.4 Marking Criteria?	YES
1.5 A sufficient numbers of scripts?	YES
1.5.1 If you did not receive the scripts, was the method of selection satisfactory?	N/A

2 Academic Issues	
2.1 Were the standards of the questions set appropriate for Legal Practice Course level?	YES
<p>Overall I was entirely satisfied with the various methods of assessment used for the areas for which I was concerned. The standards of the questions set were appropriate for the LPC demonstrating both rigour and realism. The assessment question papers were sent to me in good time for comments. Where I found myself making comments these were received constructively by the team and acted upon.</p>	

2.2 Were the assessments well-designed? i.e did they assess appropriately the learning outcomes set for the course.	YES
<p>The assessments were very well designed and adequately assessed the learning outcomes for the course.</p>	
2.3 Was the standard of performance attained by candidates in general appropriate for Masters level?	YES
2.4 Was the marking satisfactory and consistent?	YES
<p>The marking schemes were thorough and designed to ensure a consistency of approach in the markers. This consistency was apparent when comparing the marks awarded by the internal second markers. I am satisfied that the standard of marking was satisfactory and consistent.</p>	

3 Administrative Issues: please make any comments you wish to make on:	
3.1 The process of setting assessments.	<p>In relation to my subjects, the process of setting assessments, the administration of assessment of coursework and final examinations, and the moderation processes generally were all conducted satisfactorily.</p> <p>Due to covid restrictions I did not attend any examination board meetings this year.</p>
3.2 The administration of assessment of coursework and the final examinations.	
3.3 The moderation process.	
3.4 The conduct of the Examination Board meetings	
3.5 Procedures relating to candidates with special needs/concessions	
3.6 Any other procedural issues.	

4 Quality Assurance Issues	
4.1 Were assessment policies and your duties as external examiner adequately explained to you?	YES
4.2 Did you have adequate access to any material needed to make the required judgements?	YES
4.3 Were your comments during the assessment process and at the Examination Boards considered appropriately	YES
4.4 Has appropriate action been taken in respect of comments made in your last examiner's report?	N/A
Please make any comments you wish to make on the above points.	
5. Areas of good practice Please provide a description or bullet point list of any particular areas of good practice in relation to standards and assessment processes that would be worthy of dissemination to a wider audience. Nothing in particular – all good as far as I could see.	
6 Other issues Please make any comments you wish to make on other issues. None.	

Signed: Mark Richards
Dated: 1 September 2021