

DIPLOMA CENTRE

Certificate in Immigration Law And Practice



MODULE 1: LEGAL, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CONTEXT

SESSION 1

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 2 November 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Onsite/Online

- Course Introduction:** A general review of the overall context of the course; the background to the offering and the course aims, objectives and learning outcomes.
Patricia Harvey BL Course Leader
- International legal framework:** Outline of international legal context of immigration and sources of law.
- Legal framework in Ireland:** Overview of relevant Irish and EU legislation to include reference only to EU Law and Directive 2004/38EC but not to include family reunification under that instrument) And also Whistle-stop tour terminology/jargon.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 2

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 09 November 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- Immigration and migration case law in Ireland:** Critical historical and current cases in Irish Immigration with a mind to identifying current topics of debate and deciphering where Irish Immigration law will be going in the future.
- Interaction with other areas of practice - Social welfare, family law to include domestic violence, employment law and criminal law:** This topic will provide guidance on the ability to apply for social welfare, administrative schemes available to victims of domestic violence and application of employment law to migrants in Ireland.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

MODULE 2: ENTERING, RESIDING AND REMAINING IN THE STATE

SESSION 3

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 16 November 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- Residing and Permission to remain:** Who can reside in Ireland who needs to register, basis of application for permission to remain and how to apply for permission to remain to include EU treaty rights of residence.
- Entering:** The visa process and family re-unification applications (to include family re-unification under EU Directive 2004/38EC).

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 3

TIME

DELIVERY

Wednesday 22 November
2023

4pm

Online Release

- Preclearance applications:** a move by the Dept. of Justice to move towards utilising pre-clearance applications for immigration permission in Ireland.

1 hr. Gen. CPD

SESSION 4

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 23 November 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- Responsible state institutions and departments:** overview of state departments and institutions that are relevant to Immigration to include INIS, DBEI, GNIB, DFA and which unit of those departments deal with which type of applications

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- 2 **Citizenship:** Entitlement to citizenship and how to apply to include foreign birth registration.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

MODULE 3: ASYLUM, SUBSIDIARY PROTECTION, AND FORCED MIGRATION

SESSION 5

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 30 November 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- 1 **Admission to the State and the asylum application process:** Presenting at the border or under relocation programmes and preparing an asylum application.

- 2 **Topic 2 – Role of UNHCR and the Common European Asylum System:** to include relocation and resettlement and in addition to current debates in Refugee Law, new areas of development and the EU asylum acquis.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 6

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 7 December 2023

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- 1 **International Protection under Irish Law:** Overview of International Protection Act 2015, 'Refugee Status' and 'Subsidiary Protection' in Irish and EU law, including persecution, nexus and serious harm; Credibility assessment in international protection claims; State Protection and Internal Protection Alternative; Appeals and time limits.

- 2 **The Dublin Regulation:** criteria and mechanisms for determining the EU Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection.

2.5 hrs Gen. CPD

SESSION 7

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 11 January 2024

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- 1 **EU treaty rights overview**
This topic will have to take into account the different aspects of EU Treaty Rights matters already covered so will be working on an assumed knowledge and will address complexities of the application of Directive 2004/38EC this will be a two lecture topic.

- 2 **EU treaty rights overview**
This will be an overview of topics so far and an opportunity to ask questions in advance of workshops on Saturday.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 8

TIME

DELIVERY

Saturday 13 January 2024

10:00am – 3:00pm

Onsite

Workshop 1:

Taking instructions from a client for a family reunification application.
Putting together an application for asylum.
The perspective of the International Protections Appeal Tribunal.

3 hrs Gen. CPD 2 hrs. M&PD CPD

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MODULE 4: CORPORATE IMMIGRATION

SESSION 9

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 18 January 2024

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Online

- 1 Employment permits system:** Overview of Employment permits legislation and application types and reviews and pitfalls.
- 2 Immigrant Investor Schemes:** Administrative schemes available for immigrant investors.
- 3 Business visas and atypical working scheme:** Rules governing entry to the state for commercial purposes and the specialist working schemes operated by the INIS.

3 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 10

TIME

DELIVERY

Saturday 27 January 2024

10:00am – 3:00pm

Onsite

Workshop 2:

Corporate immigration: Employment Permits, Immigrant Investor schemes and related visa and family reunification applications.
Current debates in immigration law including discussion on how external factors can affect Irish immigration law and practice (e.g. Brexit).

3 hrs Gen. CPD 2 hrs. M&PD CPD

MODULE 5: COURTS AND LITIGATION

SESSION 11

TIME

DELIVERY

Wednesday 31 January 2024

6:00pm – 8:30pm

Online

- 1 Judicial review:** time limits, practise directions and specific requirements of judicial review applications in the asylum list.
- 2 Proposal to deport/ remove, deportation, removal and repatriation and applications under Section 3 Immigration Act 1999:** what happens when a deportation order issues.

2.5 hrs. Gen. CPD

SESSION 12

TIME

DELIVERY

Thursday 08 February 2024

6pm-9.00pm

Onsite/Online

- 1 Rights and Protection of victims of Human Trafficking:** Related applications and rights to include awareness of how trafficking takes place, applications and tools available to victims of trafficking.
International Protection applicants and the Reception Conditions Regulations: Vulnerability assessments, accommodation and special needs.
- 2 The perspective of the Garda National Immigration Bureau to include immigration fraud, Criminal and other sanctions:** Overview of the issues faced by An Garda Síochána and their powers in relation to migrants- powers of immigration officers.

Workshop 3:

Final questions and answers panel session with experts

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4 hrs. Gen. CPD 1 hr. M&PD CPD

ASSIGNMENT DATE: 15 March 2024

Please note that topics & dates may be subject to change. Draft timetable as of 07 July 2023

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