

Module Title	Information Technology Law (Certificate Course)
Tuition amount	\$ 100
Module Platform	https://www.csmsdigital.com
Module Tutor Mode	ONLINE
School	CENTRE FOR SOCIAL MEDIA STUDIES
ITL Points	100
Module Content	<p>Indicative Module Content</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The information society (nature, technology, industry and economy); 2. Intellectual property (Software copyright and patents, Internet copyright, Databases, Trade marks, online branding and domain name issues) 3. E-Commerce and on line intermediaries (e.g. eBay, Google and Yahoo!); 4. Internet regulation; Hi-Tech crime; Online and employee surveillance; Privacy; Data Protection, and; Online dispute resolution
Brief Description	<p>The use of computers and the Internet is characterised by the ease and speed with which data can be processed and communicated. Whilst generally beneficial, these characteristics have created new legal problems. This module aims to consider the ways the law has responded to these difficulties. Important note: Students do not have to be computer scientists to undertake this module but should have a working knowledge of computers and the internet.</p>
Indicative Syllabus	<p>IT Law examines the legal problems that have arisen due to the massive increase in the use of computers in society during the last quarter of the 20th century and the first years of this new one. This has created many challenges to existing law - e.g. when is a contract formed using email, or when goods are bought online? In addition, it has revealed deficiencies in existing law - e.g. should it be a criminal offence to use one's work computer for personal purposes? It is probably true to say that the solutions to these problems have not created a new legal discipline but there is much that can be gained by pursuing the common theme of how computers impact on law.</p> <p>During the course of this module, we will examine: computer crimes, evidence, international and comparative aspects, civil liability, electronic commerce, data protection, intellectual property</p>

	<p>and other legal issues arising from the increased use of the Internet.</p>
<p>Learning Outcomes</p>	<p>A student passing this module should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrate comprehensive and accurate knowledge and understanding of those areas of information technology law identified in the indicative syllabus above and form a reasoned critical judgment on areas of difficulty and uncertainty in IT Law; 2. Demonstrate a sound knowledge and critical understanding of social and economic policy considerations arising in this area e.g. in relation to online selling and buying; 3. Critically analyse complex problems in relation to the use of information technology, apply the legal principles studied to these problems, evaluate the merits of alternative solutions to the same problem and present well supported conclusions both orally and in writing; 4. Read and study primary and secondary sources of IT law, with minimal tutor guidance; critically analyse, interpret, evaluate and synthesise information from a variety of sources; 5. Identify sources for research and further establish a strategy for research using standard and electronic research tools <p>Extra Learning Outcomes for Module</p> <p>On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss and evaluate the intellectual property law issues and the criminal law issues which arise from the use of information technology and computers. 2. Apply and develop legal principles of contract and intellectual property law, in the context of information technology and e-commerce. 3. Evaluate and discuss the relevant legal issues surrounding information technology, and appraise specialist IT concerns in a modern business environment. 4. Formulate solutions to relevant legal problems concerning information technology in a self directed way.
<p>Learning and Teaching Activities</p>	<p>Scheduled Contact Hours: 24hrs Independent Learning timeline: 4 weeks</p> <p>Estimated time per week – 5-8hrs</p>
<p>Assessment (For further details see the Module Guide)</p>	<p>001: 100% Assignment:</p>

WEEKLY	
TOPICS	
WEEK 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Introduction to Information - technology Law. -The E-commerce Revolution -Introduction to Online Contracting & formalities)
WEEK 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Online Contracting -Regulation of Cyberspace -Internet & Regulatory competence
WEEK 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Internet and Regulatory Competence -Cyberspace: Jurisdiction & Resolution of civil disputes -Privacy & data protection
WEEK 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-Commerce Revolution – Copyright & cyberspace E-commerce revolution – Domain name dispute Cybercrime – Fraud & computer misuse