



# UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

University of Nicosia, Cyprus

<b>Course Code</b> LAW-251	<b>Course Title</b> Land Law I	<b>ECTS Credits</b> 6
<b>Department</b> Law	<b>Semester</b> Fall	<b>Prerequisites</b> Two from: LAW-100, LAW-122/6, LAW-132 and LAW-142/6
<b>Type of Course</b> Major Requirement	<b>Field</b> Law	<b>Language of Instruction</b> English
<b>Level of Course</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	<b>Year of Study</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Lecturer(s)</b> Charalambos Artemis
<b>Mode of Delivery</b> Face-to-face	<b>Work Placement</b> N/A	<b>Co-requisites</b> None

## Objectives of the Course:

The objective of this course is to introduce students to the modern-day English Land Law, starting with an historical consideration of the doctrines of estates in land. Importantly, the course aims to familiarize students with important topics of property law, including the 1925 land reforms; registered and unregistered lands; co-ownership; and the law of landlord and tenant. Furthermore, the course aims to introduce students to the critical reforms of land law introduced by the 2002 Land Registration.

## Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Trace the historical development of English Land Law.
2. Determine the influence of the 1925 Law of Property legislation on English land law.
3. Explain the differences between the Unregistered Land and Registered title systems.
4. Assess the impact of the Land Registration Act 2002 and of the European Convention of Human Rights on Adverse Possession.
5. Discuss the use of trusts (of land) in Co-ownership of land.
6. Explain the differences between legal and equitable leases and the requirements for the enforcement of the latter.
7. State the fact that licences are not proprietary interests in land per se. And discuss the lease licence distinction.
8. Identify the interrelationship of common law, equity and statute within English Land Law.

**Course Content:**

1.	Historical development of Land Law; doctrine of estates; the 1925 land reforms and unregistered land; reduction in the number of legal estates. Overreaching; land charges registration; doctrine of notice
2.	Registration of title; classification of interests
3.	Adverse Possession
4.	Trusts of Land and Co-Ownership
5.	Leases
6.	Licenses and the Lease-Licence Distinction

**Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Interactive lectures, tutorials, written examinations and assignments
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**Assessment Methods:**

One written assignment, mid-term exam, final exam
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**Required Textbooks/Reading:**

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year
E. Burn, J. Cartwright	Maudsley & Burns Land Law Cases and Materials	OUP Oxford	2009
N/A	Blackstone's Statutes on Property Law 2009-10	Blackstone Press	2009
Wilkie, Luxton, Malcolm	Land Law Q & A 2010-11	OUP Oxford	2010

**Recommended Textbooks/Reading:**

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year
Martin Dixon	Modern Land Law, 6 <sup>th</sup> ed.	Routledge-Cavendish	2010
Kevin Gray & Susan Gray	Land Law (Core Text Series)	OUP Oxford	2009
Kevin Gray & Susan Gray	Elements of Land Law	OUP Oxford	2008