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Head of School Introduction

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Greetings from the Head of School

Newcastle Law School offers excellence in Law, being a top 20 Law School in the Times Good University Guide for 2010 and the top Russell Group Law School for student satisfaction. At the same time 85% of our research was rated as being internationally excellent in the last Research Assessment Exercise. Our research informs our teaching giving us a leading edge in student achievement.

We give equal priority to teaching and research – student learning is at the heart of what we do. We focus on essential skills development to enhance your progression as an independent learner and thinker.

Our self-contained, high quality premises and facilities together with the independently recognized friendly, welcoming learning environment reinforce the quality of our offering. I look forward to welcoming you as one of our students.

LL.M. Graduation 2008-2009

On 8th December 2009, students enrolled in Newcastle Law School Masters 2008-2009 were awarded their degrees. Students come from countries as diverse as India, China, Lithuania, Thailand and Burundi to name a few. The ceremony took place in the morning and was followed by a reception.

Newcastle Law School offers fresh, challenging and rigorous courses in many subjects that engage with relevant issues in today's changing world. Have a look at our list of modules and courses offered as part of our degrees – they are taught by leading academic experts engaged in research and policy work in their specialist fields. You do not even necessarily need a degree in Law – just a good quality first Bachelor's degree and proven interest in and readiness for the challenge of legal study.

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*Fresh, challenging and
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LL.M Graduation 2008-2009 Pictures



*Interested students can
find out more about our
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Postgraduate Open Days

The first Open Day for postgraduate students took place on 18 November 2009. Interested students can meet staff and current students and find out more about the different taught programmes and research degrees we offer in your subject area.

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.ncl.ac.uk/postgraduate/visit>

ASEAN Scholarships

Newcastle Law School has launched a new edition of its well established scholarship programme. Up to three scholarships are available for its LLM programmes for 2010-2011. One scholarship amounts to 100% of the tuition fees and two amount to 50% of the tuition fees. Tuition fees for 2010 entry are £10,525. The scholarships are awarded exclusively on academic merit in recognition of academic excellence. They are open to those who have previously studied or who are currently studying in any of the ASEAN countries.

Further information available at:

<http://www.ncl.ac.uk/nuls/postgraduate/taught/>



Newcastle Law School & the Environment Agency Internships

This year, Newcastle Law School launched a new partnership initiative with the Environment Agency, under which it has established an internship programme. Two of the Law School's students from the LLM programme on Environmental Law and Policy will work with Environment Agency's Area Office in Newcastle for three months over the summer.

Professor Chris Rodgers of Newcastle Law School commented: "This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience at first hand the wide range of work that the Environment Agency undertakes. The practical experience that students will have with the Agency will complement their specialist education in environmental law and policy within the Law School"



*Newcastle Law Schools partnership
with the Environment Agency*

2009 National Student Satisfaction Survey

The National Student Satisfaction Survey puts Newcastle Law School in the top performing group.

98% of those Newcastle Law School students surveyed in the National Student Satisfaction Survey (NSSS) gave the Law School the highest overall ratings for student satisfaction, placing us as the top Russell Group Law School and the second best Law School nationally. Newcastle Law School has thus once more achieved overwhelming recognition from the student body of the consistent excellence of our student provision.



*The National Student Satisfaction
Survey for 2009.*

Jean Monnet Centre for Excellence

The Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence at Newcastle University is one of fifteen such centres in the United Kingdom which aim to promote a deeper understanding of Europe in its international, national and regional contexts. Newcastle Law School academic staff engages in research of the highest calibre, across a broad range of issues relevant to the European Union, and often working across disciplines in order to enhance the practical relevance of their work.

The Centre website was re-launched in 2009 pulling together details of EU-related research projects, events and taught modules:

<http://www.ncl.ac.uk/jeanmonnet/new/index.html>



Newcastle Law School Staff News

Professor Joanna Gray Paper at St Johns University, New York (US)

Professor Joanna Gray gave a paper titled "The UK legislative and regulatory response to the financial crisis" on September 10th at the St Johns University, Peter J. Tobin College of Business--Financial Services Institute Symposium on Financial Services Regulation in New York.

Professor Gray is the Deputy Director of Newcastle Law School LLM Programmes, where she teaches an LLM Module on "International Financial Regulation".

Dr Elena Katselli invited as Visiting Scholar at University of Queensland, Australia

Dr Katselli will be visiting the University of Queensland in July and August 2010 to undertake research on property rights.

The research will be part of a wider research project initiated and led by Dr Katselli in collaboration with the Utrecht Law School, the Netherlands Institute of Human Rights (SIM) and the Section of Public International Law, University of Athens.

Dr Jonathan Galloway invited to George Washington University, USA

Dr Jonathan Galloway has been invited to become a Visiting Scholar at George Washington University School of Law to conduct research on international cooperation during multi-jurisdictional merger review.

Dr Galloway will visit GW School of Law during April and May 2010. Dr Galloway teaches an LLM Module on "Corporate Governance and Corporate Finance" at Newcastle Law School. He is also co-Director of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence at Newcastle University.

Dr María-Teresa Gil-Bazo Conference Paper at Oxford University

Dr María-Teresa Gil-Bazo shall give a conference paper on "The forced removal of one's own nationals. Law and practice of EU Member States" at the Conference on "Deportation and the Construction of Citizenship" organised by Oxford University in December.

Dr Gil-Bazo is the LLM Selector and teaches an LLM module on "The Movement of Persons in a Global World" at Newcastle Law School.

Dr Ole W. Pedersen Papers on Climate Change

Dr Pedersen has been invited to give a paper at the University of Edinburgh (joint Law School and School of Political and Social Science) workshop on EU, Climate Change and Global Environmental Governance on Friday the 13th of November 2009. The title of the paper is "The Role of Human Rights in National Climate Change Strategies".

Dr Pedersen also presented a paper on 'Climate Change, Justice and Rights' at the workshop hosted by the Danish Institute for Human Rights on 'Human Rights and Climate Change' in October 2009.

Dr Orkun Akseli invited as Visiting Lecturer at Verona School of Law

Dr. Orkun Akseli has been invited as a visiting lecturer at the University of Verona, School of Law, to teach the law of assignment of receivables in the first week of December 2009.

Dr Akseli teaches an LLM module on the Law of International Commerce at Newcastle Law School.