

UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA
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LL.M AND Ph.D PROGRAMMES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCIAL AND CORPORATE LAW

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POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES (LL.M AND Ph.D)

1.1 PHILOSOPHY, OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

The general LL.B programmes in Law and the Law School training qualify students as general legal practitioners. LL.M and Ph. D programmes, on the other hand, enable students to qualify as specialist in specific areas of Law. The postgraduate programmes of the Department of Commercial and Corporate Law are designed to offer specialist training to student in various areas of Commercial and Corporate Law.

The programmes, thus aim to bring about a critical mass of knowledge and specialisation in specific areas of Law. It will also lead to improved skill and competence as well as inculcating evidence based knowledge through legal research methods in resolving legal issues/challenges.

The postgraduate programmes of the Department of Commercial and Corporate Law cover the following areas of specialisation: Law of Business Organisations, Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law; Law of Commercial Transactions; Insurance Law; and Maritime Law.

1.2 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The programmes will produce specialist Law graduates who will serve as legal experts in various areas at national, regional and international levels. Graduates of the programmes have good prospects of employment in both the public and private sector (either salaried or self-employment. In the public sector, they can serve the federal and state governments and their ministries, departments and agencies in various capacities. They can also serve in national, regional and international organisations requiring specialised. In the private sector, they can be employed as legal advisers and consultants to banks, companies and other establishments.

1.3. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

(a) Master of Laws (LL.M) in Commercial and Corporate Law

The following shall qualify for admission into the Master of Laws (LL.M) Programme in Commercial and Corporate Law: graduates of the University of Nigeria or of other

recognised universities who have obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Laws (LL.B) with at least a second class honours (lower division) with CGPA of not less than 3.0 on a 5-point scale.

(b) Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Commercial and Corporate Law

The following shall qualify for admission into the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) Programme in Commercial and Corporate Law: graduates of the University of Nigeria or of other recognized universities with a good Master's Degree in Laws (LL.M), with a minimum CGPA of 3.5 on a 5-point scale or 3.0 on a 4-point scale or 60% or a B grade and Project score not lower than 60% (B).

1.4 DURATION OF PROGRAMMES

(a) Master of Laws (LL.M) in Commercial and Corporate Law

- (i) **Full-time:** A minimum of three (3) semesters and a maximum of six (6) semesters.
- (ii) **Part-time:** A minimum of five (5) semesters and a maximum of eight (8) semesters.

(b) Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Commercial and Corporate Law

- (i) **Full-time:** A minimum of six (6) semesters and a maximum of ten (10) semesters.
- (ii) **Part-time:** A minimum of eight (8) semesters and a maximum of twelve (12) semesters.

1.5 COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

A Student must have fulfilled, in addition to other University requirements, the following conditions to be awarded:

(a) Master of Laws (LL.M) Degree in Commercial and Corporate Law

To be awarded the Master of Laws (LL.M) degree in Commercial and Corporate Law, a student must have registered and passed a minimum of 33 credit units of both compulsory and elective courses as follows:

Compulsory courses	-	6 units
Elective courses	-	18 units
Seminar	-	3 units
Project	-	<u>6 units</u>
		33 units

(b) Doctor of Philosophy in Law (PhD)

To be awarded the Doctor of Philosophy in Law (Ph.D) degree in Commercial and Corporate Law, a student must have registered and passed a minimum of 36 credit units of both compulsory and elective courses as follows:

Course Work (Both Compulsory and Elective)	-	15 units
Compulsory Paper Presentations	-	6 units
Ph.D Thesis Seminar	-	3 units
Thesis	-	<u>12 units</u>
		36 units

2. CURRICULUM SPECIFICATION TABLE**2.1 Master of Laws (LL.M) in Commercial and Corporate Law****FIRST SEMESTER**

1 Compulsory course	-	3 units
2 Courses from Core Area	-	6 units
1 Elective course from Alternate Area	-	<u>3 units</u>
		12 units

SECOND SEMESTER

1 Compulsory course	-	3 units
2 Courses from Core Area	-	6 units
1 Elective course from Alternate Area	-	<u>3 units</u>
		12 units

THIRD SEMESTER

Seminar	-	3 units
Project	-	<u>6 units</u>
		9 units

2.2 Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) in Commercial and Corporate Law**(i) First Year****FIRST SEMESTER**

1 Compulsory course	-	3 units
2 Courses (1 from Core Area, 1 from alternate area)	-	<u>6 units</u>
		9 units

SECOND SEMESTER

2 Courses (1 from Core Area, 1 from alternate area)	-	6 units
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(ii) Second Year**FIRST SEMESTER**

Research Proposal - **3 units**

SECOND SEMESTER

Book and/or Journal Article Review - **3 units**

(iii) Third Year**FIRST SEMESTER**

Ph.D Seminar - **3 units**

SECOND SEMESTER

Ph.D Thesis Defence - **12 units**

3. STRESS AREAS/AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

0 Fundamentals (Research Methodology, Legal Research Writing, Research Proposal, Synopsis/Grant Writing)

- 1** Law of Business Organisations
- 2** Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law
- 3** Law of Commercial Transactions
- 4** Insurance Law
- 5** Maritime Law
- 8** Seminar
- 9** Thesis

4. COURSES FOR MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M) IN COMMERCIAL AND CORPORATE LAW

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
1	PGC 601	ICT and Research Methodology	3 Units
THREE ELECTIVES COURSES (TWO FROM STUDENT'S CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
2	CCL 611	Comparative Company Law & Corporate Governance I	3 Units
3	CCL 613	Regulation of Transnational Corporations I	3 Units
4	CCL 621	Advanced Banking Law I	3 Units
5	CCL 623	Capital Market and Securities Law I	3 Units
6	CCL 625	International Investment Law I	3 Units

7	CCL 631	Competition and Consumer Protection Law I	3 Units
8	CCL 633	Transnational & Comparative Commercial Transactions Law I	3 Units
9	CCL 635	Law of Commercial Arbitration I	3 Units
10	CCL 637	Electronic Commerce Law I	3 Units
11	CCL 641	Marine Insurance Law I	3 Units
12	CCL 643	Advanced Non-Marine Insurance Law I	3 Units
13	CCL 651	Shipping Law I	3 Units
14	CCL 653	Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea I	3 Units
TOTAL (4 courses)			9 Units

SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSES			
1	LAW 602	Legal Research Writing	3 Units
THREE ELECTIVES COURSES (TWO FROM STUDENT'S CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
2	CCL 612	Comparative Company Law & Corporate Governance II	3 Units
3	CCL 614	Regulation of Transnational Corporations II	3 Units
4	CCL 622	Advanced Banking Law II	3 Units
5	CCL 624	Capital Market and Securities Law II	3 Units
6	CCL 626	International Investment Law II	3 Units
7	CCL 633	Competition and Consumer Protection Law II	3 Units
8	CCL 634	Transnational & Comparative Commercial Transactions Law II	3 Units
9	CCL 636	Law of Commercial Arbitration II	3 Units
10	CCL 638	Electronic Commerce Law II	3 Units
11	CCL 642	Marine Insurance Law II	3 Units
12	CCL 644	Advanced Non-Marine Insurance Law II	3 Units
13	CCL 656	Shipping Law II	3 Units
14	CCL 654	Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea II	3 Units
TOTAL (4 courses)			9 Units

THIRD SEMESTER			
1	ICL 681	Seminar in Commercial and Corporate Law	3 Units
2	ICL 691	Project	6 Units
TOTAL (Seminar and Project)			9 Units

5. COURSES FOR Ph.D IN COMMERCIAL AND CORPORATE LAW

(i) First Year

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
1	PGC 701	Synopsis and Research Grant Writing	3 Units
TWO ELECTIVE COURSES (ONE FROM CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
2	CCL 711	Advanced Seminar in Law of Business Organisations I	3 Units
3	CCL 721	Advanced Seminar in Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law I	3 Units
4	CCL 731	Advanced Seminar in Law of Commercial Transactions I	3 Units
5	CCL 741	Advanced Seminar in Insurance Law I	3 Units
6	CCL 751	Advanced Seminar in Maritime Law I	3 Units
TOTAL (3 courses)			9 Units

SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
TWO ELECTIVE COURSES (ONE FROM CORE AREA, ONE FROM NON-CORE AREA)			
1	CCL 712	Advanced Seminar in Law of Business Organisations II	3 Units
2	CCL 722	Advanced Seminar in Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law II	3 Units
3	CCL 732	Advanced Seminar in Law of Commercial Transactions II	3 Units
4	CCL 742	Advanced Seminar in Insurance Law II	3 Units
5	CCL 752	Advanced Seminar in Maritime Law II	3 Units
TOTAL			6 Units

(ii) Second Year

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
1	CCL 781	Research Proposal	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units

SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
2	CCL 782	Books and/or Journal Article Review	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units

(ii) Third Year

FIRST SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
3	CCL 783	Ph.D Thesis Seminar	3 Units
TOTAL			3 Units
SECOND SEMESTER			
S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT UNITS
COMPULSORY COURSE			
4	CCL 790	Ph.D Thesis	12 Units
TOTAL			12 Units

6. DESCRIPTION OF COURSES FOR MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M) PROGRAMME**PGC 601: ICT and Research Methodology (3 units)**

Methods of collecting data. Design of questionnaire. Survey planning and execution. Sampling and designs: simple, random, stratified, systematic, cluster and multi-stage sampling. Area sampling. Sample size determination. Analysis of response errors. Introductory techniques of data analysis: measures of central tendency and dispersion. Principles of effective communication and technical writing. Organisation and presentation of technical reports, feasibility studies, technical proposals and technical descriptions and instructions. Technical correspondence.

PGC 602: Legal Research Writing (3 units)

Legal Research and Academic Writing: forms and skills required. Components of Legal Research: Proposal, Abstract, Introduction/Background, Statement of Problem, Research Questions, Objectives, Methodology, Literature Review, Body of the Work, Summary of

Findings, Recommendations, Conclusions. Research Structure or Organisation: chapters and sections and sub-sections; Work Plan; Referencing and Citation in Legal Research/Academic Writing; Online Resources for legal materials.

CCL 611: Comparative Company Law and Corporate Governance I (3 units)

Fundamentals of Corporate Law (separate legal personality and limited liability); Corporate law as potential determinant of ownership and control patterns; The Agency problem and Ultra; Raising and Maintenance of Capital; Legal Distribution of Power; Duties of Directors; Auditors; Minority Protection and Majority Rule; In-sider Trading; Mergers, Acquisitions and Take-overs; Winding up of Companies; Certain Regulatory Bodies: Corporate Affairs Commission, Securities and Exchange Commission; the Stock Exchange.

CCL 613: Regulation of Transnational Corporations I 3 Units

The legal nature and structure of the TNC. The general character of the TNC and its activities: the range and character of the modern TNC's business activities, the range and character of the TNC's non-business activities, the nature and sources of the TNC's power and influence. History of the TNC: the emergence and evolution of the TNC as well as its regulation, the historical link between bodies corporate and bodies politic in state finances, etc. TNCs and the global commons. TNCs as private law makers. TNCs as need makers and shapers of international public taste and opinion. TNCs as political actors

CCL 614: Regulation of Transnational Corporations II 3 Units

Conflicting Visions on the TNC's regulation; justifications for regulating the TNCs. Self-Regulation: nature, benefits and banes of self-regulation and implications for democratic political governance. Regulation by States: the character of national regulation, the normative strengths of such regulation in the Westphalian state system and the limits; Regulatory Capture. Regulation by Multilateral International Agencies: regulatory initiatives of the agencies of the United Nations. The Role of the international markets for factors and products. The Role of International Civil Society. The future of the TNC: The Challenges; What should the Transnational Corporation Become?

CCL 612: Comparative Company Law and Corporate Governance II (3 units)

Corporate Governance as a major area of economic, political and academic debate and policy making; Analysis of corporate governance, its various models (especially the shareholder and stakeholder models); Identification and analysis of the theoretical underpinnings of corporate legislation such as the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) 2004; the Global

Financial Crisis of 2008-2009 and its interpretation by international agencies (especially the OECD), in relation to corporate governance; Corporate Social Responsibility.

CCL 625: International Investment Law I (3 units)

Evolution of International Investment Law/Classical Law of State Responsibility; Decolonisation and its Effects on Classical Law of State Responsibility Admission and Establishment of Investment; International Investment Agreements (IIAs); Investment Treaty and Features of IIAs (BITs, Plurilateral Agreements, Multilateral Agreements); Stabilization/*Pacta Sunt Servanda*; Applicable Law/Governing Law; Expropriation/Takings/Nationalization/Confiscation/ Deprivation; Risk Insurance and Guarantee; Fiscal Regimes and Incentives.

CCL 626: International Investment Law II (3 units)

Trade Related Investment Measures (TRIMs); Performance Requirements; Settlement of Investment Disputes; Portfolio Investment; Multilateral Investment/Financing; Investment and Human rights; Investment and Environment; Investment and Labour Rights; Investment and Corporate Social Responsibility; Digitalization of International Investment.

CCL 621: Advanced Banking Law I (3 units)

The course examines the two broad banking systems - universal and specialized banking with respect to retail banking and their impact on the provision of financial services. Emphasis is laid on, deposit taking and protection scheme, the duties of the paying and collecting bank, loan syndication, trading loans and assets, swaps and derivative, performance bonds, documentary credits, electronic funds transfer, the emergence of bitcoin as a measure of value, money laundering legislation and the duty of confidentiality.

CCL 622: Advanced Banking Law II (3 units)

The course examines the functions of bank regulatory authorities and the supervision of commercial banks by CBN, NDIC and CAC. The course also examines the principles of Islamic finance and structure, cross border finance and banker-customer relationship in private international law, freezing injunctions and international banks, capital adequacy and bank rescue, merger and business transfer in Nigeria; Harmonisation and Development of Islamic International Financial Market.

CCL 623: Capital Market and Securities Law I (3 units)

The course examines the nature and legal structure of Capital Market in providing long and short term capital for the industrial sector of the economy. The laws governing, capital market instruments and rating, primary and secondary capital market intermediaries, statutory functions of Lagos and Abuja Stock Exchange Markets are examined. The nature, structure and discounting of, Treasury Bills and Commercial Papers and Bills within Money Market Institutional Mechanism.

CCL 624: Capital Market and Securities Law II (3 units)

The course examines the concept, nature and legal structure of Venture Capital and the investment restrictions attached to Venture Capital. Attention is given to resource mobilization in International Capital Market with emphasis on the legal restrictions on listing securities issued outside Nigeria, as in Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds, Global Depository Receipts and External Commercial Borrowings. Securities and Exchange Commission Act is compared with similar laws in other Common-Wealth, developed and developing countries.

CCL 631: Competition and Consumer Protection Law I (3 units)

The course will focus on and aim to develop an understanding of the law and principles of competition policy in Nigeria. Topics covered include: Meaning and nature; forms of anti-competitive practices: cartels, oligopolies, monopolies, mergers; Theories of regulation: economic theories, public interest theory, private interest theory, normative and positive theories and social regulation. Relationship between competition law and consumer protection; Legal and policy structures for the regulation of competition in Nigeria: sector specific regulations, the Competition and Consumer Protection Bill 2016.

CCL 632: Competition and Consumer Protection Law II (3 units)

Consumer Protection: meaning, nature, history and philosophical basis for consumer protection; Consumer Protection Law: the problem of classification: public/private law; civil /criminal; general law/statutes; goods/services; Legal and Policy Framework for Consumer Protection in Nigeria: law of contract, law of tort, sector specific legislation, the Consumer Protection Council Act 1992; the Competition and Consumer Protection Bill 2016. Consumer Protection agents: regulatory agencies, national and international consumer organisations; industry and professional bodies, judiciary, civil society. International dimensions of consumer protection law: the role of the UN and regional bodies -the United Nations Guidelines on Consumer Protection; the African Model Law for Consumer Protection;

international actors in consumer protection; conflict of laws issues in international consumer transactions.

CCL 633: Transnational & Comparative Commercial Transactions Law I (3 units)

Nature and forms of international commercial transactions; Modern *Lex Mercatoria* and harmonisation of private law; law applicable to international commercial transactions: United Nations Convention on contracts for the International Sales of Goods (CISG); Payments in international commercial transactions.

CCL 634: Transnational & Comparative Commercial Transactions Law II (3 units)

Legal issues commercial transactions; addressing such issues under Nigerian Law and selected, such as: i) common law (UK, US) ii) civil law (French, German) iii) Muslim majority countries (Saudi Arabia, UAE) iv) Mixed Legal Jurisdiction (China); Cross-border insolvency.

CCL 635 Law of Commercial Arbitration I (3 units)

Nature of arbitration as an alternative means of settling disputes; disputes that can be referred to arbitration; capacity to arbitrate; other forms of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms (ADR); advantages of arbitration over court litigation; common law arbitration; customary law arbitration; ingredients of customary law arbitration; negotiation for settlement; arbitration under the Arbitration and Conciliation Act (Cap A18 LFN 2004); arbitration agreement; arbitral tribunal; conduct of arbitral proceedings; nature of evidence in arbitral proceedings; nature and form of arbitral award which is the judgement of the arbitral tribunal.

CCL 636 Law of Commercial Arbitration II (3 units)

Impeachment or setting aside of arbitral award; enforcement of arbitral award; classification of arbitration into ad hoc, institutional, consensual, statutory, domestic and international types of arbitration; arbitration institutions; international arbitration in Nigeria; appointment of arbitrators; challenge of arbitrators; applicable law (*lex arbitri*); recognition and enforcement of international and foreign awards in Nigeria; Lagos Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration; costs in arbitration.

CCL 637: Electronic Commerce Law I (3 Units)

Meaning, nature and ramifications of E-commerce: B2B commerce and B2C commerce; Connecting computers together: features of the Internet and the WWW; E-commerce and the Law; Intellectual Property and Related Issues in E-commerce: establishing a Web presence: domain name; copyright issues; Encryption, Electronic and Digital Signatures.

CCL 637: Electronic Commerce Law I (3 Units)

Online Contract formation and related issues: offer and acceptance; applicability of the postal rule; Application of general legislation on sale of goods and supply of services; Payment issues: means of payment; fraud risks and protection against fraud; Liability of intermediaries; Consumer protection issues in E-Commerce; Applicable law and jurisdiction in E-Commerce; the Future of E-Commerce in Nigeria.

CCL 643: Marine Insurance Law I (3 units)

History of Marine Insurance from the Rolls of Oloron and the Rhodian Sea Code in the medieval world to the modern statutory codification of the marine insurance rules in 1906; Importance of marine insurance in sea borne trade; the subject matter of marine insurance, the functions and the features of marine insurance contract as a unique contract of *uberrimae fidei*; the practice and importance of marine insurance policies in international trade.

CCL 644: Marine Insurance Law II (3 units)

Maritime and navigational perils – perils of the sea, perils on the sea, additional perils (Inchmaree clause) and attachment of and duration of risks; Institute clauses with respect to marine and navigational risks; the concepts/doctrines of: proximate cause of loss, total and partial loss, constructive total loss, abandonment and measurement of indemnity; marine units or ministries and the shipping industry.

CCL 643: Advanced Non-Marine Insurance Law I (3 units)

The focus of the course is on the general principles of insurance law as the apply to indemnity and non-indemnity contracts of insurance. The nature and importance of insurance, the subject matter of insurance and the subject matter of insurance contract, insurable interests and the principles of indemnity, the Common Law doctrine of non-disclosure as modified by the Insurance Act, conditions and warranties in insurance law, double insurance and contributions, assignment and subrogation in insurance law, the doctrine of proximate cause of loss and claims

CCL 643: Advanced Non-Marine Insurance Law I (3 units)

This course dwells on the application of the general principles of insurance law to the different risk environments and the regulatory authorities of insurance industry. Special attention is given to, property insurance, motor vehicle insurance, life insurance, guarantee insurance, fidelity insurance and professional negligence insurance. Attention is also given reinsurance and the National Insurance Commission of Nigeria.

CCL 651: Shipping Law I (3 units)

International merchant shipping with particular emphasis to dry shipping: Contracts of affrayment; the obligations of the carrier (ship-owner) and the cargo interest (the shipper) as modified by The Hague Rules, Hague-Visby Rules, the Hamburg Rules and the Rotterdam Rules. Charter Parties and tramp arrangement; the Nigerian Coastal and Inland Shipping Law (Cabotage Act); personal, national and international interplay in the formulation of maritime conventions.

CCL 652: Shipping Law II (3 units)

The concept of a ship as a moving nation when on the high sea and the multiplicity of national and international instruments at play in regulating the activities of ocean going vessels; the acquisition, sale and registration of ship; carriage of dangerous goods on ships under the Nigerian Merchant Shipping Act 2007. Maritime lien under the Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Act 2007 and the UN Conventions on Arrest of Ship 1952 and 1999 and the UN Convention Relating to Maritime Lien and Mortgages 1926 and 1957. The limitation of the liability of the owners of sea going ships under the 1957 UN Convention on the Limitation of the liability of the owners of sea going ships. The problem of ship acquisition and national carrier in Nigeria.

CCL 653: Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea I (3 units)

Brief History of the liability of the sea carrier; Charter Parties: express and implied undertakings of the parties; representations, conditions and warranties; construction of charter parties, Frustration of charter parties.

CCL 654: Law of Carriage of Goods by Sea II (3 units)

Bills of Lading: its functions; usual clauses and implied undertakings in bills of lading. Primary voyage. Loading, discharge and delivery. Exclusion and limitation of liability; the Masters. Demurrage, Freights, General Average, Liens, Construction bills of lading.

CCL 691: Project Report

(6 Units)

The project title should be taken by the student and should be properly supervised by an approved supervisor in the area of research field. The supervisor should continually monitor the progress of the project work to ensure student's mastery of the work. The student will be made to present a seminar from his/her project, thereafter he or she should be ready for the final defence before the external examiner and other constituted members of the PG examination board.

7. DESCRIPTION OF COURSES FOR Ph.D PROGRAMME IN COMMERCIAL AND CORPORATE LAW

PGC 701: Synopsis and Grant Writing

(3 Units)

This course identifies types and nature of grant and grant writing as well as meaning of grants application calls on the internet. The course determines appropriate strategy for grant application; Study of various grant application structures and contents and writing of concept notes, detailed project description, budgeting and budget defence. Study of sample grant writings in various forms and writing of mock research and other grants are part of this course. Students are taught University of Nigeria synopsis structure and requirements, (Introduction, Methodology and Results); determining the content of each sub-unit of the synopsis; Steps in writing of synopsis from the Dissertation/Thesis document, structural and language issues. Common errors in synopsis writing and strategies for avoiding them are discussed. The roles of the student and the supervisor in the writing of synopsis are discussed as well as writing of mock synopsis.

CCL 711: Advanced Seminar in Law of Business Organisations I

(3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Law of Business Organisations. The student should explore the various developments in Comparative Company Law. The presentation will be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CLL 712: Advanced Seminar in Law of Business Organisations II (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Law of Business Organisations. The student should explore the various developments in corporate governance both in Nigeria and internationally. The presentation will be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 721: Advanced Seminar in Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law I (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law. Specifically, the student should explore the various developments in banking law and regulation, specialised banking including digital currencies regulation within and outside Nigeria. The presentation is to be in the form of term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 722: Advanced Seminar in Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law II (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Banking, Investment and Capital Market Law. The student should explore the various developments investment, capital market and securities law and regulations both nationally and internationally. The presentation is to be in the form of term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 731: Advanced Seminar in Law of Commercial Transactions I (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Commercial Transactions Law with emphasis on Competition and Consumer Protection Law, Transnational and Comparative Commercial Transactions Law. The student should explore the various developments in the law and regulation of competition, protection of consumer's interest in the market place nationally and internationally, legal issues in commercial transaction under different legal systems as well as the regulation of international commercial transactions. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 732: Advanced Seminar in Law of Commercial Transactions II (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Commercial Transactions Law with emphasis on Law of Commercial Arbitration and Electronic Commerce. The student should explore the various developments in the area of alternative dispute resolution in commercial transactions, electronic commerce law and regulation and related legal issues. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 741: Advanced Seminar in Insurance Law I (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Insurance Law. The student should explore the various developments in the law relating to Marine Insurance both within and outside Nigeria. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 742: Advanced Seminar in Insurance Law II (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Non-Marine Insurance Law. The student should explore the various developments in the law and regulation of non-marine insurance business in Nigeria and internationally. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 751: Advanced Seminar in Maritime Law I (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Maritime Law. The student should explore the various developments in shipping and cabotage law and regulation of shipping business in Nigeria as well as internationally. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 752: Advanced Seminar in Maritime Law II (3 units)

This is a course seminar presentation in the field of Maritime Law. Specifically, the student should explore the various developments in law and practice of carriage of goods by sea in Nigeria and internationally. The presentation is to be in the form of a term paper submitted

for grading. In addition, the student is expected to present the write-up as a seminar paper before the Departmental Postgraduate Committee for further assessment.

CCL 781: Research Proposal (3 units)

This presentation serves as the of the student's research work. It must be in the student's area of specialisation. It is at the end of this presentation, that the student is expected to know if she or he will continue with the proposed research project.

CCL 783: Books Review/Journal Article Presentation (3 units)

The purpose of this presentation is to equip doctoral students with the necessary skills for writing publishable book reviews and journal articles in their areas of specialisation. To be successful, a student's presentation must be of high standard and adjudged suitable for publication in highly reputable journals by his/her Supervisor and majority of the members of the Departmental Postgraduate Committee.

CCL 782: Ph. D Seminar (3 units)

This is a seminar presentation at the end of research work before the final defence. This is the final presentation, reporting the results, findings, deductions, conclusion and recommendations from the student's work. If the student is successful he or she then submits his/her synopsis and prepares for his or her final Thesis defence.

CCL 790: Thesis (12 units)

This is the report of the student's research and must be prepared in the prescribed specifications. The research should address contemporary legal issues/challenges of national and/or international importance and proffer workable solutions to such issues/challenges. The student shall undergo oral examination on his/her Thesis before an examination panel comprising an External and Internal Examiners and other persons as prescribed by the University. No students should undergo oral examination unless such a student has successfully passed the prescribed courses/seminars/presentations.

LIST OF APPROVED POSTGRADUATE SUPERVISORS

Supervisor based in the Department:

Professor Felicia N. Monye Commercial Law
 LL.B (Hons.) (UNILAG) Competition and Consumer Protection Law
 LL.M (Nig.) Carriage of Goods by Sea
 Ph.D (UNILAG)
 BL

Dr. Herbert A. Umezuruike Marine and Non-Marine Insurance Law
 LL.B (Hons.) (Ife) Shipping Law
 LL.M (Nig.)
 Ph.D (Abuja)
 BL

Dr. Festus O. Ukwueze Commercial Law
 LL.B (Hons.) Competition and Consumer Protection Law
 LL.M Health Law
 Ph.D (Nig.)
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