

# For the attention of the 7461 Vocational Paralegal Studies co-ordinator

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## This news sheet contains the following information:

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# NEWS

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## Launch of new 7462 Level 2 Legal Studies

A new name, a new syllabus and a new assessment – but that’s not all!

Why the new name?

Well it’s a revised syllabus and this prompted us to create a new name better reflecting the content – and “Legal Studies” seemed closer to what we had in mind. “Vocational Paralegal Studies” has always been a bit of a mouthful (and VPS not much better as we’re already surrounded by acronyms and abbreviations).

We are developing this new range of Legal Studies qualifications for the new QCF. This means that the units making up the qualifications will be available as an Award, as a Certificate and as a Diploma – a reflection on the new flexibility offered by QCF “rules of combination”.

We’ve developed ten units (listed below) which they can be combined variously and flexibly to create an Award, a Certificate or a Diploma in Legal Studies – *all at level 2*

With the exception of Units 201 (The Legal Environment) and 202 (Principles of liability) all Units have 40 guided learning hours and attract a credit value of 7 (see chart below)

Units	GLH	Credit value
201 The legal environment	40	5
202 Principles of liability	60	10
203 Principles of criminal law	40	7
204 Principles of debt recovery	40	7
205 Law in the workplace	40	7
206 Personal injury procedures	40	7
207 Consumer rights	40	7
208 Family law	40	7
209 Probate practice and administration	40	7
210 Conveyancing	40	7

### **Level 2 Award in Legal Studies (12 credits)**

Candidates must complete 5 credits from Unit 201 + seven credits from 203-210

### **Level 2 Certificate in Legal Studies (22 credits)**

Candidates must complete Units 15 credits from 201 and 202 + 7 credits from 203-210

### **Level 2 Diploma in Legal Studies (43 credits)**

Candidates must complete 15 credits from units 201 and 202 + 28 credits from 203-210

Interested? We'll be holding four launch events in Birmingham and you'll be getting your invitation soon. The launch events will be led by a technical consultant and attended by members of the ILEX/City & Guilds team. Please note places at these events are limited and allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

**Invitations will be sent to all stakeholders shortly**

## **8<sup>th</sup> and 9th April at City & Guilds Birmingham offices (morning and afternoon half-day events)**

### **Extension of 7461 Level 3 Diploma in Vocational Paralegal Studies**

We have just received confirmation from the QCA that the 7461 Level 3 Diploma in Vocational Paralegal Studies has been extended for two years. The new end dates are now as follows:

Last registration date	31 August 2010
Last certification date	31 August 2013

### **ILEX Annual Prize – first winners announced!**

We're delighted to announce the two winners of the first ever annual ILEX prize, namely:

#### **ILEX Annual Prize for Legal Secretaries**

Hayley Bennett (nominated by Jenny Tidmarsh, Newcastle College)

#### **ILEX Prize for Vocational Paralegal Studies**

Helen Graham (nominated by Diane Williams, Coleg Llandrillo, Wales)

### **Royal Celebrity Gossip corner**

Anne-Marie Dhillon, the ILEX Regional Liaison Officer for the North West e-mails to say that just as Nick Foss, ILEX VPS tutor at Broadgreen School in Liverpool was midway through a session on conveyancing he was interrupted by none other than HRH Prince Edward and accompanying entourage on a flying visit.

We plan to feature the terrific developments in this Liverpool school in a future edition of Broadsheet – so keep a look-out for that.

### **ILEX City & Guilds article**

We thought you might be interested in the attached article (by David Collard and John Westwood) which appeared in the most recent copy of the ILEX Journal (and thanks to the team there for permitting this reprint) – it describes the close relationship between our respective organisations and (we hope) marks the start of a continuing series of articles showcasing our partnership.

## Attached papers

- ILEX Journal article