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15th Annual Global Legal Skills Conference

Introduction

Welcome to the 15th edition of the Global Legal Skills Conference, hosted by Nottingham Law School at Nottingham Trent University. This is our first in-person conference after the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, which had more than 691.4 million confirmed cases globally and a worldwide confirmed death toll of almost seven million people. From March 2020 until 2023, Covid-19 brought a global shutdown on travel, most daily interactions, and academic conferences such as this one.

Instead of meeting in person, we held a series of video conferences on legal education in Ukraine, building on work done by the Global Legal Writing Skills Committee of the Legal Writing Institute. We organized a series of four video conferences that provided many opportunities for law students and law professors in Ukraine to interact with colleagues in other countries.

In addition to this being the first in-person Global Legal Skills Conference since the Covid-19 pandemic, this Conference marks the first time that the GLS Conference is being held in the United Kingdom and in England. We are grateful to the Legal Writing Institute for hosting its own Storytelling Conference in London, an event that made it logistically feasible for us to organize the GLS Conference in Nottingham. And while (whilst) we could have a conference just on the differences between Legal English and Legal American, we think you'll find more commonalities than differences in how we teach legal skills to our students, including how we teach those students who speak English as a second language.

The Global Legal Skills Conference Series has proved to be a valuable resource for law professors, ESL professionals, and others who teach international legal skills and legal writing to persons who speak English as a second language. The GLS Conference Series also includes award presentations that recognize outstanding contributions to the field of international legal skills education. Awards are given to individuals, law firms, law schools, bar associations, and other organizations, as well as awards for books and legal scholarship that promotes international legal education. Winners of Global Legal Skills Awards through 2016 have been from Australia, Bhutan, China, Costa Rica, Italy, Mexico, New Zealand, Qatar, Russia, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

The first Global Legal Skills conference was held in Chicago in 2005 at The John Marshall Law School (the school now known as UIC School of Law following the merger of John Marshall and the University of Illinois Chicago). The GLS Conference started as a specialized conference connecting legal writing professionals who had an interest in teaching international students and lawyers who spoke English as a second language. The conference series was important because a growing number of lawyers and law students had begun to attend law schools in the United States and other English-speaking countries, and they needed to have special language training in Legal English and related courses. The GLS Conference series has since grown to include legal writing faculty, international and comparative law professors, clinical faculty, linguists, librarians, judges, judicial clerks, attorneys, court translators, law students, and scholars interested in global legal skills education.

The GLS Conference has been held (so far) in six different countries: the United States (in Chicago, Phoenix, and Washington, D.C.); Mexico (Monterrey); Costa Rica (San José); Italy (Verona); Australia (Melbourne); and now in the United Kingdom (Nottingham, England). We are also pleased to announce that the GLS-16 Conference will be held in southern Italy at the University of Bari, June 4-6, 2024.

Each conference takes many meetings and many hours to plan. As with previous editions of this conference, a core group of dedicated volunteers from around the world stepped forward to do whatever was necessary to make the conference successful. Planning for this year's conference was even more difficult than usual because we had to overcome problems from an extended hiatus since the last conference, lingering uncertainties over the pandemic, repercussions of a new land war in Europe, and travel strikes affecting trains and airports.

We thank each member of the Conference Program and Planning Committees for their help in making this GLS-15 conference a success:

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- Matthew J. Homewood (Nottingham Trent University, England)
- Chantal Morton (Melbourne Law School, Australia)
- Mark E. Wojcik (University of Illinois Chicago School of Law, USA)

We also thank the more than 100 presenters and participants from around the world, with a special thanks to the home institutions who made their travel and participation possible.

Speakers from the following countries are presenters in this edition of the GLS Conference:

- Australia
- Brazil
- Czechia
- England
- France
- Ireland
- Italy
- Qatar
- Scotland
- South Africa
- Ukraine
- United States

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Finally, we thank the National Justice Museum of Nottingham, site of the pre-Conference small-group tour; plenary session speaker and former CEELI Director Julia Fromholz; and the Honourable Councillor Shuguftah Quddoos, the current Sheriff of Nottingham, who will welcome us to Nottingham at the opening plenary session.

Mark E. Wojcik

University of Illinois Chicago School of Law

GLS-15 Co-Chair

Matthew J. Homewood

Nottingham Law School, Nottingham Trent University

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Programme

Sunday 30th July 2023

Time	Event
10:30-12:00 Noon	Welcome to Nottingham Small-Group Walking Tours (Optional). Meeting at the Left Lion in Market Square (Afford.Ripe.Hooked) ¹ This will be a group self-guided walking tour with other conference attendees.
14:00-16:00	Legal Field Trip: Guided Small-Group Tour of the National Justice Museum (Optional) (Feast.Stove.Guilty). Ticketed event £12 available with registration. The National Justice Museum will be open 10am-5pm daily so if you have not booked with registration, it will still be possible to visit the museum, however, it will not be possible to join the guided small-group tour.
17:30-19:00	Welcome Reception at the Metronome. (Metronome, Marco Island, Huntington Street, Nottingham, NG1 1AP) (Desks.React.Attend)

Monday 31st July 2023

Time	LT1	LT3	LT6
09:00-10:00	Registered participants/speaker check in outside LT4, Newton Building		
10:00-11:00	Open plenary LT4 Newton Building Matthew J. Homewood (Nottingham Trent University, England) Mark E. Wojcik (University of Illinois Chicago School of Law, USA) Kimberley Holst (Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, USA) Councillor Shuguftah Quddoos, The Sheriff of Nottingham Lurene M. Contento (Chicago-Kent College of Law, USA) Professor Jane Ching (Nottingham Trent University, England) Julia Fromholz (Former Director of CEELI and Former Professor of Practice and Director of International Rule and Security Program at Arizona State University, USA)		

¹ The three words in brackets after place names are the 'what3words' associated with the location. 'What3words' provides an easy way to find and share exact locations. If you would like to use this, please visit <https://what3words.com/pretty.needed.chill> or download the app.

11:15-11:45 1-1	<i>ESL in the JD Program.</i> Rachel Croskery-Roberts (University California, Irvine School of Law, USA) Kimberly Holst (Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, USA) Lurene M. Contento (Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois, USA)	<i>Comparative Law and Policy Advocacy Skills (in Clinics).</i> Denis A. Guimares (AGPR – Law, Policy & Advocacy and CDES Centro de Estudos de Direito Econômico e Social/Center of Studies on Economic and Social Law, Brazil)	<i>Cross-Cultural Lawyering: Building Bridges in an Increasingly Fractured World.</i> Rachel Settlage (Wayne State Law School, Michigan, USA)
11:45-12:15 1-2	<i>The Skills Audit – A Globally Transferrable Employability Tool.</i> Dr. Julia Jennings (Nottingham Trent University, England)	<i>Developing Global Legal Research and Writing Skills Through a Unique UK-US Collaboration.</i> Matthew J. Homewood (Nottingham Trent University, England) J. Rich Leonard and Caitlin Swift (Campbell University Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law, North Carolina, USA)	<i>Developing Legal English Language Skills for the Modern World.</i> Natasha Costello (Université Paris Nanterre, France) Louise Kulbicki (University of Bergamo, Italy).
12:15-13:15	Lunch – World Kitchen, Newton Building		
13:30-14:00 2-1	<i>Diversity & AI Ethics in the Legal Practice.</i> Tatiana Caldas-Löttiger (Liquid Legal Institute, Spain and Sweden)	<i>Narrative Negatives/Negative Narratives.</i> Maria Termini and Joy Kanwar (Brooklyn Law School, New York, USA)	<i>Virtual Internship Model: Empowering Students with Drafting and Employability Skills.</i> Mathew Game (Nottingham Trent University, England)
14:00-14:30 2-2	<i>Artificial Intelligence: Friend or Foe in Global Legal Practice?</i> Michael D. Murray (University of Kentucky, J David Rosenberg College of Law, USA)	<i>Student Community and Partnership: Using Legal Skills-Based Initiatives.</i> Alannah Collins and Jill Dickinson (University of Leeds, England)	<i>Dialogue Works! Using Virtual Live Feedback to Improve the Writing Skills of International LL.M. Students.</i> Gabrielle Marks Stafford (University of Colorado Law School, USA)
14:45-15:15 3-1	<i>The Phenomenographic Approach to Discover Students' Perceptions of Legal Skills.</i>	<i>International and Comparative Legal Technology.</i> Drew Simshaw (Gonzaga University School of Law, Washington, USA)	<i>Best-Practices Informed by Linguistics Research and Pedagogy.</i> Mari Sakai (Georgetown University Law Center, Washington D.C., USA)

	Elaine Walsh (Technological University of the Shannon: Midlands, Republic of Ireland)		
15:15-15:45 3-2	<i>Preparing students for the Global Legal Job Marketplace by Incorporating Experimental Learning.</i> Sha-Shana Crichton (Howard Law School, Washington D.C., USA)	<i>The International Harmonization of Security Rights.</i> Henry Gabriel (Elon University School of Law, North Carolina, USA)	<i>Teaching Legal English in Romania and Ukraine.</i> Roberta M. Ward (University California, Davis School of Law, USA)
15:45-16:15	Networking Break – LT4		
16:15-17:00 4-1	<i>Challenging Assumptions, Expanding Horizons: Reminding Yourself of the Student POV.</i> Pamela Taylor-Barnett and Anneka Ferguson (University of New South Wales, Australia)	<i>Adapting American Legal Writing to a Civil Law Context: Good Legal Writing is Good Writing in Any Language.</i> Jennifer Franklin (William & Mary Law School, Virginia, USA) and Rachel Morley (National Center for State Courts, Virginia, USA)	<i>A U.S. Law School with Chinese Characteristics.</i> Andrew Shepherd and Edward Platt (University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, USA)
17:00-17:30 4-2	<i>Reinventing the “Bourne Identity” Approach to Legal Education.</i> Hilary Bell (Hamad Bin Khalifa University, Qatar).	<i>Operationalising a “New Standard” for Legal Education in South Africa – Opportunities and Challenges.</i> Bradley Greenhalgh (Faculty of Law, Stellenbosch University, South Africa)	<i>Teaching Legal Writing and Analysis in Italy and Bhutan.</i> David W. Austin (California Western School of Law, USA)
18:30-20:30	Conference Dinner at the Old Chemistry Theatre, Newton Building		

Tuesday 1st August 2023

Time	LT1	LT3	LT6
09:00-09:30 5-1	<i>Beyond Briefs and Memos: Teaching Students to Write Legal Documents for Regional and International Treaty Bodies.</i> Christine Venter (Notre Dame Law School, Indiana, USA)	<i>Non-Traditional Approaches to Promoting Active Learning.</i> Camille M. Davidson (Southern Illinois University School of Law, USA)	<i>Rethinking How We Teach Persuasive Writing.</i> Theodore Myhre (University of Washington School of Law, USA)
09:30-10:00 5-2	<i>Linking Academic and Soft Skills for an International Student Cohort in IP Law.</i> Thorsten Lauterbach (Robert Gordon University, Scotland)	<i>Practice Makes Perfect: An Integrated Approach to Drafting Witness Statements by Trainee Trade Mark Attorneys.</i> Jane Jarman and Peter Vaughan (Nottingham Trent University, England)	<i>Reflexive Encounters in Comparative Legal Rhetoric: How Culture Affects Persuasion in the Law.</i> Adam Todd (University of Dayton School of Law, Ohio, USA)
10:15-10:45 6-1	<i>I Like the Way You Work(shop) it: The ABA's Cultural Competency Standard and the Foreign-Trained Lawyer.</i> Kate Brem and Megan Davis (University of Houston Law Center, Texas, USA) and Sylvia Lett (University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, USA)	<i>Methodological Support for International LL.M. Students in Integrated LL.M. Programs.</i> Johann Morri and Beth Greenwood (University California, Davis School of Law, USA)	<i>Integrating Worldview Theory into Clinical Education: Teaching How to Negotiate Across Worldviews.</i> Constance Browne (Boston University School of Law, Massachusetts, USA) and Silvia Glick (Harvard Negotiation Journal, Massachusetts, USA)
10:45-11:15 6-2	<i>Professional Identity and Cultural Competency in the First-Year Curriculum.</i> JoAnne Sweeny, Heend Sheth and Kelly Meurer (University of Louisville Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, Kentucky, USA)	<i>Introducing Foreign LL.M. Students to U.S. Law: A Narrative Approach.</i> Todd M. Stafford (University of Colorado Law School, USA)	<i>The Power of "As If": Teaching the Annexation of Hawai'i</i> Williamson Chang (University of Hawai'i at Manoa, William S. Richardson School of Law, USA)
11:30-12:00 7-1	<i>Empowering Students to Empower Readers: A Systematic Approach to Creating User-Centered Documents.</i>	<i>Skills for Success: Preparing Law Students for Life After Law School.</i> Sadie Whittam, Tina McKee and Kathryn Saban (Lancaster University, England)	<i>Developing Critical Reading Skills.</i> Pavel Wonsowicz (UCLA School of Law, California, USA)

	Mark Cooney (Western Michigan University Thomas Cooley Law School, USA)		
12:00-12:30 7-2	<i>The History and Future of Global Legal Skills.</i> Mark Wojcik (University of Illinois Chicago School of Law, USA)	<i>Shared Understanding: Preparing International Students for an International Client Base.</i> Mirelle Butler and Jaclyn Celebrezze (University of Washington School of Law, USA)	<i>Advancing Legal Advocacy: Enhancing the Skills of Iraqi Lawyers to Protect Survivors of Gender-Based Violence.</i> Sherizaan Minwalla (Taboo, LLC, USA)
12:30-13:45	Lunch – World Kitchen, Newton Building		
13:45-14:15 8-1	<i>Diversifying the Classroom for Diverse Learners.</i> Sabrina Lopez (University of Florida Levin College of Law, USA).	<i>Policy Clinics: Why and How?</i> Liz Curran (Nottingham Trent University, England); Rachel A. Dunn (Leeds Beckett University, England); Siobhan McConnell (Northumbria University, England)	<i>The Rule of Law, Economic Development, and Global Legal Skills.</i> Nadia E. Nedzel (Southern University Law Center, Louisiana, USA)
14:15-14:45 8-2	<i>Training Mindful, Emotionally Intelligent Lawyers.</i> Elizabeth Knowles (Northeastern University School of Law, Massachusetts, USA)	<i>Voz de las Victorimas: A Framework Model to Expand Practical Legal Training in Latin America.</i> Evelyn H. Cruz (Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, USA)	<i>Teaching Common Law Legal Analysis to Students from Civil Law Countries.</i> Jeffrey Proske and Michael T. Colatrella (University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, California, USA)
15:00-15:45 9-1 *Newton LT6 will run from 15:00-16:00	<i>Synthesis Through Art – A Simulated Class.</i> Lurene Contento (Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois, USA)	<i>International Collaboration of Law School Faculty and Administrators to Develop Practice-Ready Global Leaders.</i> Margaret Hughes Vath and Leila Lawlor (Georgia State University College of Law, USA) and Alexis Martinez (Georgia Institute of Technology, USA)	<i>From Classroom to Courtroom: A Focus on Clinical Legal Education in a University Teaching Law Firm.</i> Katie Smith (Nottingham Trent University, England)
			<i>What if Miley Cyrus Twerked on the Table of Da Vinci's Last Supper? Teaching Legal Writing from a Copyright Perspective Can be Done Globally.</i> Nancy Costello (Michigan State University College of Law, USA)

15:45-16:15	Networking Break – LT4		
16:15-16:45 10-1	<i>Encouraging Cross-Cultural Student Learning: Speaking and Listening as a Lawyer.</i> Robin Juni (George Washington University Law School, Washington D.C., USA)	<i>Current Challenges in Legal Education: How Can LL.M. Course Design Respond to New Technologies, Stimulate Motivation, and Create Conditions for Self-Study?</i> David Sehnálek (Masaryk University, Czechia)	<i>Teaching Common Law Legal Methods and Analysis to Global Students in Abu Dhabi.</i> Charles Calleros (Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, USA)
16:50-17:50	<i>Closing Plenary and Award Ceremony – LT4</i> Mark E. Wojcik (University of Illinois Chicago School of Law, USA) Kimberly Holst (Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, USA) Lurene Contento (Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois, USA) Matthew J. Homewood (Nottingham Trent University, England) David W. Austin (California Western School of Law, USA) Claudia Cascione (University of Bari Department of Law, Italy)		

A brief guide to the legal professions and legal education in the UK

The United Kingdom consists of Great Britain (England, Scotland, and Wales) and Northern Ireland. Other connected territories (e.g., the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands) also have their own jurisdictions and legal education but are not included in this note.

Individual laws may apply to all of the four home nations, or only to some of them. For most purposes England and Wales is a single common law jurisdiction, but as some areas of law (including education) are devolved to the Welsh Parliament, there is some divergence between the two. In Northern Ireland, again a common law jurisdiction, there are some special arrangements that operate between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Scotland is a hybrid civil law and common law jurisdiction.

Whilst there are many similarities in the legal education structures across the country (undergraduate law degrees, postgraduate vocational courses, mandatory continuing professional development/continuing legal education schemes) it should also be noted that the undergraduate law degree is not designed as preparation (only) for a legal profession and that non-degree routes into legal professions are also common. LLM and MLaw programmes and postgraduate research by way of PhD or professional doctorate are also available (but do not generally provide any exemption from professional qualifications). A number of voluntary regulation schemes for example, paralegals also exist.

England

An English law degree (LLB), normally of three years duration, will include seven “foundation” subjects: Contract, Constitutional and Administrative Law, Criminal Law, Equity and Trusts, EU Law, Land Law, Tort. Online, part-time and distance learning courses are available, as are combined degrees in law with another subject or the law of another jurisdiction, and sandwich degrees in which a year is spent in study abroad or in placement. None of the regulated legal professions, however, absolutely requires its members to hold a law degree. A one year conversion course for graduates of other disciplines also satisfies entry requirements for many of the professions.

The practice of law in England and Wales is heavily deregulated. Under the Legal Services Act 2007 there are only six “reserved activities” (including litigation and advocacy) that are confined to regulated legal practitioners. There are eight regulated legal professions (and some other professions, such as accountants, have rights to carry out some legal activities) and with the exception of notarial activities, no one profession has a monopoly. Several of these professions license “alternative business structures” which permit non-lawyer ownership (Nottingham Law School’s teaching law firm is an alternative business structure). In alphabetical order the professions are:

- **Barristers.** Although some are employed as general counsel inhouse, the majority are self-employed court advocates. The normal qualification route is that following a law degree or conversion course (which contains subjects approved by the Bar Standards Board), they complete a vocational bar training course (of up to a year). At this point they are “called to the

Bar” but cannot practise independently until they have completed a year’s work experience (“pupillage”) and other training provided by the profession.

- **Chartered Legal Executives (CILEx).** Originally a paralegal profession, they now have independent status, often, but not exclusively, practising in civil or criminal litigation, property or family work. They have a number of membership levels and entry can be directly from school. Courses are normally studied in parallel with working in legal services, although there are advanced entry routes for those with law degrees or the barrister and solicitor vocational qualifications. To achieve Chartered status, a legal executive must submit a portfolio demonstrating achievement of the competence statement and have completed 2300 hours of work experience. A government sponsored apprenticeship route to Chartered status is also available.
- **Costs Lawyers.** A small number of specialist lawyers deal with disputed legal bills, principally in the context of the “English rule” that in civil litigation the loser pays the winner’s legal costs. The qualification can be commenced at 18 and is studied part time often in parallel with the required two years of work experience.
- **Licensed Conveyancers.** Licensed conveyancers specialise in property or probate work. To qualify they must pass two diplomas (one at first year undergraduate level and the other at final year undergraduate level) and complete 1200 hours of work experience.
- **Notaries.** There is a small number of notaries who, as in civil law countries, verify documents for international use. Most are also qualified as solicitors and exemptions are available for law degrees and barrister and solicitor qualifications. Notaries must have studied a number of the LLB subjects, but also Roman law, private international law and notarial practice. The Notarial Practice Course is a two year distance learning course. Post qualification, new notaries must be supervised by another notary for two years.
- **Patent Attorneys.** Patent attorneys often have science qualifications, including PhDs. They are required to take two sets of specialist examinations (Foundation certificate and final diploma). Many also qualify as a European Patent Attorney, which requires separate qualifications and two years of supervised work experience.
- **Solicitors.** Solicitors are the largest profession, numerically. They are in transition from a model similar to that of barristers of an LLB/conversion course/CILEx qualification, followed by vocational course (the Legal Practice Course) and two years of work experience. The new model has two routes.
 - The majority are required to hold a degree or equivalent (in any subject) and to pass two examinations (SQE), the first largely on knowledge and the second largely on skills including live interviewing and advocacy assessments. They may take these before, during or after two years of qualifying work experience that must allow them to develop at least two of the competences in the professional competence statement. Candidates may choose how they prepare for the examinations and a variety of courses are available, including those offered by Nottingham Law School and by some US bar preparation providers.
 - An alternative is the government-sponsored (paid) apprenticeship route which may take up to 7 or 8 years if started from school, and incorporates formal training (sometimes, as at Nottingham Law School, as a law degree) and the required work experience. Apprentices are required to take the second SQE examination at the end of their work experience.
- **Trade Mark Attorneys.** Trade mark attorneys are usually graduates, albeit not necessarily in law (a non-graduate route for those with practice experience is also available). Study is normally in parallel with work in the field and involves the completion of a postgraduate certificate in trade mark or intellectual property law, followed by a vocational course at Nottingham Law School. Entrants also require 2-4 years of work experience.

Northern Ireland

In order to qualify as a solicitor, an applicant's law degree must include Constitutional Law; Tort; Contract; Criminal Law; Equity; European Law; Land Law and Evidence and be obtained from one of a list of universities in England, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland and English law degrees offered by some Scottish universities. The law of evidence can, however, be separately assessed if necessary. The Bar expects a "qualifying law degree".

Some legal activities are reserved to members of the legal professions: certain types of property and probate transactions and documents, and those relating to "legal proceedings". Barristers and some solicitors have rights of audience in the courts. In alphabetical order the professions are:

- **Barristers.** Applicants must hold a "qualifying law degree" (that is, an LLB that is approved by the professional body) and then complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies vocational course (full time or part-time and subject to an entrance examination). As in England they are then called to the Bar and complete a year's pupillage.
- **Notaries.** Notaries must be practising solicitors with at least six years' experience.
- **Patent and Trade Mark attorneys.** The qualifications described for England are UK wide (see above).
- **Solicitors.** Applicants must either have an approved law degree (or a non-law degree plus a conversion course) or be eligible as a mature non-graduate with suitable experience. Entry to the vocational Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Legal Studies is by way of examination. Because the vocational course is delivered in blocks intercalated with the two year period of work experience, applicants must be able to demonstrate they have secured their work experience before they begin the course.

Scotland

Scottish undergraduate degrees in all disciplines are normally four years in length. As in England, part-time and online courses exist, and some universities offer joint degrees in English and Scots Law. The Law Society of Scotland does not prescribe a list of required subjects, but students who wish to become solicitors must ensure that their undergraduate law degree is obtained at one of ten accredited universities and enables them to demonstrate the Society's foundational programme outcomes. A list of required subjects (including Evidence and Roman law) is, however, required by the Faculty of Advocates.

The Legal Services (Scotland) Act 2010 is, in many respects, similar to the Legal Services Act 2007 of England and Wales. Its definition of "legal services" is, however, much wider than the six reserved activities of the other jurisdiction. Only advocates, some solicitors and commercial attorneys have rights of audience in the courts. Following a consultation in 2021, the Regulation of Legal Services (Scotland) Bill was introduced into the Scottish Parliament in April 2023 and will, amongst other matters, permit additional legal professions to become regulated. At present, however the regulated legal professions are:

- **Advocates.** A Scottish advocate is the equivalent of a barrister. Potential advocates have to have an approved degree in Scots law. They then follow the route for solicitors (Diploma in Professional Legal Practice and two years of work experience). Finally, they complete nine

months of unpaid work experience with an advocate (“devilling”) and additional training in advocacy, and complete assessments set by the Faculty of Advocates.

- **Commercial attorneys.** Recent legislation permits members of certain construction professions (architects, quantity surveyors and engineers) who hold at least an undergraduate law degree as well as construction professional qualifications to acquire rights to conduct litigation and advocacy in construction matters in the Scottish courts. They are also required to demonstrate experience of (or training in) a number of practical legal skills such as advocacy, legal research and client interviewing.
- **Patent and Trade Mark attorneys.** The qualifications described for England are UK wide (see above).
- **Solicitors.** Aspiring solicitors may have an approved law degree (normally four years in length), or a degree in another discipline with a two-year conversion course or enter as non-graduates with three years’ work experience in the field. They then complete a one-year vocational Diploma in Professional Legal Practice and a two-year period of work experience. Solicitors who have been in practice for at least three years may apply to become “writers to the signet”. The Law Society of Scotland also accredits specialists such as **notaries**, conveyancing and executry practitioners, regulated paralegals and legal technologists.

[Our thanks to Thorsten Lauterbach of Robert Gordon University]

Wales

The position in Wales is identical to that in England with two key exceptions:

- Because education is a devolved area of law, the Welsh authorities are responsible for apprenticeships and at present there is not a solicitor apprenticeship (but there are apprenticeships in other areas of legal practice)
- Courses and qualifications may be available in the Welsh language.

Nottingham Trent University

Nottingham Trent University was recently named The Times and The Sunday Times Modern University of the Year 2023, as well as the WhatUni Student Choice Awards University of the Year 2023. NTU is the sixth largest university in the UK and is commended for its commitment to delivering an unrivalled student experience, excellent graduate prospects and world-leading research. In the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2021, 100% of NTU's research submitted to the Law Unit of Assessment was assessed to be world-leading or internationally excellent in terms of research impact, excellently demonstrating how our research benefits society and makes a real difference to people's lives and their communities. NTU is also one of the most sustainable universities in the world. NTU is spread over 5 campuses; the 15th Annual Global Legal Skills Conference will take place on our City Campus.

Map of City Campus



Whilst with us you can enjoy many of our facilities.

We recommend you use MazeMap when navigating our campus. It can show the fastest route to your destination and also includes indoor and outdoor maps. There is no need to sign up or create an account. MazeMap can be accessed at the following link.

<https://use.mazemap.com/#v=1&config=NTU¢er=-1.155193,52.958001&zoom=17.6&sharepoitype=point&sharepoi=-1.16320%2C52.92915&zlevel=1&campusid=640>

Wi-Fi

Wi-Fi will be available across the City Campus. Eduroam will be available to those who currently use this. Alternatively, there is an ntu-guest Wi-Fi attendees can use. To access this please connect to ntu-guest. Once connected a new page should open up. Please press 'click here to register for guest access' underneath the 'Sign On' button. If a web page does not open up, please type '1.1.1' into your browser URL. Please then fill out the required information and select register. You should then be connected to the internet.

Boots Library (Building 3) (Oath.Trails.Slim)

We have arranged for all attendees to have access to the Boots Library. If you would like to use these facilities, please just provide your name at the front desk, and explain that you are an attendee at the GLS conference and you will be given access.

The library offers extensive resources, a wide range of study spaces, and award-winning customer services. While in the library you will be able to access the NTU guest Wi-Fi and Eduroam. Whilst here you are welcome to visit the rooftop garden, which offers a landscaped outdoor study space with plants, seating made from sustainable materials and excellent Wi-Fi coverage. And what's more, the views over Nottingham are stunning. To access this just head to the 4th floor.

The library is open 08:30-19:00 Monday to Friday and 10:00-19:00 on Saturday. Please note access is not possible on Sunday.

Printshop (Building 1) (Skips.Scam.Tasty)

Located in the Chaucer Building, the Printshop offers professional printing, copying, binding, and scanning. There is a cost to use this service. Complimentary copying/printing etc is not available.

Opening times are 08:30am-4:50pm. If you need to discuss your printing needs with them, they are reachable on +44 (0)115 8482545 or just drop in.

Speaker Preparation Room (Building 11) (Lance.Actor.Epic)

The conference will be mainly based in Newton Lecture Theatres 1, 3, 4, and 6.

We have however, booked a small room which attendees will have access to throughout the conference. This will provide presenters an opportunity to test the computer facilities and provide a quiet space if needed. This room is Newton 23A which can be found on floor 2.

Nottingham

A green city with a legendary past, a vibrant culture and a bright future. A creative destination of rebels and pioneers, and the home of Robin Hood. Nottingham is one of the UK's top destinations.

Getting here

Train Travel

Nottingham train station is just a short walk away from the city centre. When you arrive our City Campus is best reached by tram. Once you get into Nottingham station follow the signs to the tram platform. Then purchase a 'short hop' ticket prior to boarding the tram. You can hop onto either the Hucknall or Phoenix Park tram to the Nottingham Trent University stop.

Air Travel

East Midlands Airport

If you are flying into East Midlands Airport, it is possible to get the [Skylink bus service](#) from the airport directly into the City Centre. The nearest stop to NTU is the Friar Lane just off the central market square. From here it is less than a 10-minute walk to NTU. Alternatively, you can catch the tram, please purchase a 'short hop' ticket prior to getting on the tram.

Birmingham Airport

It is possible to get a train from Birmingham International Station to Nottingham station. Please note however that you will have to change trains. You can expect the journey to take around 2 hours.

Manchester Airport

From Manchester Airport it is possible to get a train to Nottingham. This requires one change at Manchester Piccadilly and takes just over 2 hours.

London Airports

All London airports are well serviced by public transport. Just get the tube, train or bus from the airport into central London and head to London St Pancras International. From here you can get a direct train to Nottingham. This journey only takes about 90 minutes.

By Car

We are pleased to offer a voucher that entitles attendees to a 45% discount at the Q car park on Talbot Street.

<https://www.q-park.co.uk/en-gb/cities/nottingham/talbot-street/>

Please note however, that we are unable to reserve parking or guarantee a space.

Alternatively, we recommend using the city's park and ride services and continuing your journey by tram. We recommend you use one of the following sites and board any tram serving Toton Lane or Clifton South.

- The Forest (NG7 6AQ) (Moral.Rare.Wider)
- Phoenix Park (NG8 6AS) (Former.Films.Thank)
- Toton Lane (NG9 7JA) (Apples.Impact.Sizes)

Parking at these sites is free. Just make sure you purchase a tram ticket prior to boarding (use of the car parks without using the tram service may result in fines being issued).

Nottingham - Recommendations

Places to go for food

Delilah Fine Foods (Slime.Renew.Sums)

12 Victoria Street, Nottingham, NG1 2EX.

<https://delilahfinefoods.co.uk/>

Traditional and award-winning delicatessen offering the finest food and freshest local produce.

White Rabbit Teahouse (Onions.Rise.Pilots)

3 Bridlesmith Walk, Nottingham, NG1 2HB

<https://www.whiterabbitteahouse.com/home>

The White Rabbit Teahouse serves up homemade cakes, scones, and light lunches throughout the day. Ideal for a relaxed lunch spot or an afternoon tea experience.

Annie's Burger Shack (Kick.Zebra.Hotel)

5 Broadway, The Lace Market, Nottingham, NG1 1PR

<https://anniesburgershack.com/restaurants/nottingham>

Award-winning burgers in the heart of the historic Lace Market area of Nottingham. All burgers are available meaty, vegetarian, and vegan. Advanced booking recommended.

George's Great British Kitchen (Adjusted.Sock.Gifted)

Queen Street, Nottingham, NG1 2BL

<https://www.georgesgreatbritishkitchen.co.uk/>

Traditional British dishes including the classic fish and chips.

The Angel Microbrewery (Half.Burns.Chemistry)

7 Stoney Street, The Lace Market, Nottingham, NG1 1LG

<https://theangelmicrobrewery.co.uk/>

A landmark and unique pub serving seasonal organic and ethically sourced food within its own microbrewery.

Places to go for a drink

Canalhouse (Outfit.Music.Lands)

48-52 Canal Street, Nottingham, NG1 7EH

<https://www.castlerockbrewery.co.uk/pubs/canalhouse/>

Award-winning craft beer pub, featuring a canal that extends through the centre of the building. The Canalhouse is an iconic Nottingham pub, housed in a grade II listed former canal museum.

Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem (Boots.Haven.Duty)

1 Brewhouse Yard, Nottingham, NG1 6AD

<https://www.greeneking-pubs.co.uk/pubs/nottinghamshire/ye-olde-trip-to-jerusalem/>

As England's oldest inn, the pub is nestled beneath the cliff on which Nottingham's historic castle stands and was once a well-known pit stop for crusader knights. It is said that King Richard the Lionheart and his men are likely to have gathered at this historic royal dwelling before journeying to Jerusalem in 1189AD.

Hockley Arts Club (Pile.Zooms.Mason)

20A Carlton Street, Nottingham, NG1 1NN

<http://thehockleyartsclub.com/>

The Hockley Arts Club is a Nottingham staple. Situated in the heart of Hockley in a grade II² listed building. It offers great cocktails and a vibrant atmosphere.

Cosy Club (Short.Nurses.Grain)

16-18 Victoria Street, Nottingham, NG1 2EX

<https://cosyclub.co.uk/>

The Cosy Club sits proudly over 3 levels, original features and design elements have been retained to create a striking venue for drinking, dining, lounging and more.

Pitcher and Piano (Void.Tanks.Tricky)

The Unitarian Church, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN

<https://www.pitcherandpiano.com/bars/nottingham>

Housed in a striking grade II listed former church, Pitcher and Piano is in the heart of the Lace Market (close to the National Justice Museum). Beautifully restored, the church setting provides a stunning backdrop to dining and drinking.

² Grade II listed buildings are particularly important buildings of more than special interest.

Neon Raptor (Looks.Pads.Hooks)

Unit 14, Avenue A, Sneinton Market, Nottingham, NG1 1DT

<https://neonraptorbrewingco.com/pages/the-rap-tap>

Brewery and taproom, serving fresh beer in the heart of Sneinton Market.

Junkyard (Decay.Also.Warm)

12 Bridlesmith Walk, Nottingham, NG1 2FZ

<https://junkbars.com/#MENU>

Friendly neighbourhood craft beer bar. Serving Nottingham's best coffee and world class craft beer.

Malt Cross (Pushed.Pool.Melt)

16 St James's Street, Nottingham, NG1 6FG

<https://maltcross.com/>

The Malt Cross is a grade II listed Victorian music hall in the heart of Nottingham city centre. It is the only Victorian music hall in the country that operates as its original design intended, providing great food, drink and live music.

200 Degrees Coffee Shop (Anyone.Soon.Reform)

7-9 Milton Street, Nottingham, NG1 3EP

<https://200degs.com/pages/location-milton-street>

Independent chain of coffee shops offering great coffee and cakes. This is the nearest shop to our campus but there are others to enjoy in the Market Square and close to the train station.

Places to go for a spot of shopping

Handmade Shop (Mice.Jobs.Libraries)

8 Kings Walk, Nottingham, NG1 2AE

<https://www.handmadenottingham.com/>

Independently owned and run shop, championing UK designers. This is a great spot to pick up quirky gifts and Nottingham related souvenirs. Please note the Handmade Shop is closed on Mondays.

Nottingham Tourism and Travel Centre (Pounds.Aside.Police)

1-4 Smithy Row, Nottingham, NG1 2BY

<https://www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk/things-to-do/shopping/nottingham-tourism-and-travel-centre-p473481>

The award-winning Nottingham Tourism Centre is centrally located and offers a range of great gifts and souvenirs.

Sneinton Market Avenues (Linen.Sentences.Duck)

Sneinton Market Avenues, Nottingham, NG1 1DW

<https://www.sneintonmarketavenues.com/>

Nottingham's home for creative and independent businesses. From vintage clothes to pubs, from award winning chocolate to jewellers and colourful cafes – this is one of Nottingham's most exciting places to be.

Places to visit

If you are staying around in Nottingham for a few extra days, we have recommended some must see sights.

Nottingham Castle ([Tips](#).[Trend](#).[Scan](#))

Lenton Road, Nottingham, NG1 6EL

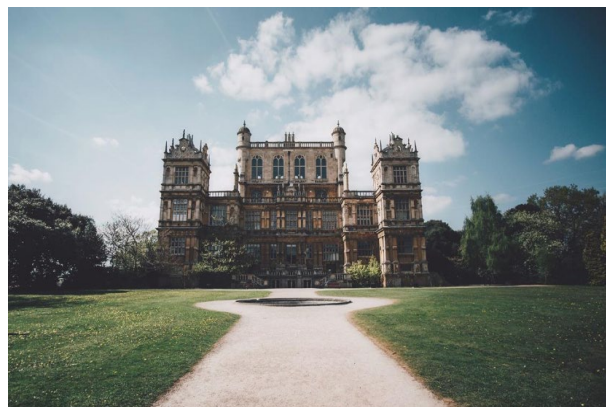
Discover Nottingham Castle's Museum and galleries with fine art, lace, information about Robin Hood, Nottingham Castle's history and more.
Within walking distance of the city centre.



Wollaton Hall and Park ([Acting](#).[Appear](#).[Plates](#))

Wollaton Hall, Nottingham, NG8 2AE

Wollaton Hall is one of the country's finest grade II listed Elizabethan buildings with the largest dedicated Natural History Museum in Nottinghamshire. Herds of deer and a range of wildlife roam 500 acres of parkland at Wollaton, which is home to all kinds of habitats including grasslands, wetland, and woodland



Reachable by car or bus (service 30) from the city centre (20 minutes).

Newstead Abbey ([Soda](#).[Unpacked](#).[Online](#))

Newstead Abbey, Nottinghamshire, NG15 8NA

A beautiful historic house set in a glorious landscape of gardens and parklands within the heart of Nottinghamshire. Founded as a monastic house in the late 12th century, Newstead was home to the poet Lord Byron. The gardens and parklands cover more than 300 acres with paths that meander past lakes, ponds and waterfalls.



Reachable by bus or car from the city centre.

**Southwell Minster and
Archbishop's Palace**
(Songbook.Epic.Milder)

The Minster, Church Street,
Southwell, NG25 OHD

Southwell Minster, the Anglican
Cathedral of Nottinghamshire, is of
rich historical and architectural
interest.



Reachable by bus (service 26) or car from the city centre.

Nottingham Contemporary
(Legs.Thinks.Once)

Weekday Cross, Nottingham, NG1 2GB

Nottingham Contemporary is one of the
largest galleries of contemporary art in
the UK. The gallery hosts regular
changing exhibitions of international art.
Nottingham Contemporary is set in an
iconic building, designed by the award-
winning architects Caruso St John, in
the heart of the city centre (near the
National Justice Museum).



Within walking distance of the city centre (or by tram)

The Robin Hood Statue

([Caller.Abode.Hill](#))

Robin Hood's Lawn, Castle Place,
Nottingham, NG1 6EL

The modern statue of the outlaw Robin Hood can be found on a small green space known as Robin Hood's lawn in what used to be the moat of medieval Nottingham Castle.

Within walking distance of the city centre.

**Sherwood Forest**

([Special.Mows.Unites](#))

Sherwood Forest NNR, Edwinstowe,
Nottinghamshire, NG21 9RN

Sherwood Forest, the home to the enduring legend of Robin Hood, comprises of 375 hectares of forest home to hundreds of species of birds, insects, mammals, and plants. It is also home to the Major Oak, estimated to be around 1,000 years old.

**Other things to do in Nottingham**

We recommend you check out What's on in Nottingham for other things to do during your trip.

[Whats On in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire - Visit Nottinghamshire \(visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk\)](https://www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk/)

If you would like to do your own self-guided walking tour of Nottingham, we recommend you use this resource

[Nottingham Trail 2022 compressed.pdf \(visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk\)](#)

Nottingham Courts

Nottingham Crown Court (**Tapes.Fries.Quit**)

60 Canal Street, Nottingham, NG1 7EL

Opening times Monday to Friday 08:30am to 5pm.

Nottingham Magistrates' Court (**Harsh.Above.Riding**)

Nottingham Justice Centre, Carrington Street, Nottingham NG2 1EE

Opening times Monday to Thursday 9am to 5:30pm (9am-4:30pm on Friday)

Councillor Shuguftah Quddoos, The Sheriff of Nottingham

Shuguftah Quddoos was born in Manchester to Pakistani parents and came to Nottingham as a student, where she studied Public Administration as her undergraduate degree. Having completed this, she then spent 18 months living and working in Northern Pakistan.

She returned to Nottingham, where she began working for the charity Women's Aid, and Shelter housing advice service for the next seven years. During this time, she met and married her husband. They have two children. She has always been a keen community activist, seeking to bring people together in her diverse ward. She has been Chair of the Sherwood Rise Residents' Association and currently is chair of Faiths In Action, a local interfaith group. Shuguftah set up her own business, Embrace Equality, in 2010 whereas a Trainer/Facilitator she delivers training and workshops to organisations seeking to be more inclusive.

Shuguftah is delighted to be the first South Asian woman to be Sheriff.

Conference Materials

We would greatly appreciate people uploading their presentations after the conference for all attendees to view.

To facilitate this, we have created a google drive which can be accessed at the following link or through scanning the QR code.

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1IRHyghasgxX-hivR3KjmaHirGXsrpwrY?usp=drive_link



Face Masks and Covid Testing.

Face masks will be made available during registration for any attendees who wishes to wear them.

Covid tests will not be available. These can be purchased at the Boots pharmacy in the Victoria Centre which is a short walk away from the campus.

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