

Hugh Wooding Law School FAQs

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Please note that
this is a compilation
of answers from a
student at HWLS
and is NOT
intended to serve
as official
information from
the school.

1.

Do we have to be in school
everyday? How many
absences are allowed?

Ideally you should be in school everyday. All classes are physical.

You are allowed 6 absences per course.

Please note that your teachers will check the registers, and if you exceed your quota, you may not be able to write your exams.



2.

How often do we get
assignments/ exams?

Every two weeks.

6 individual assignments:

- 4 from October to December - every two weeks
- 2 during Christmas

3 group assignments from January to March



3.

At the end of the year, is the
final grade course work +
final, or just final?

3 courses are final only:

- Evidence and Forensic Medicine
- Landlord and Tenant
- Law of Remedies

3 courses are course work + final:

- Legal Drafting and Interpretation
- Criminal Practice and Procedure
- Civil Practice and Procedure



4.

How many classes do we have in Year 1?

Year-Long Courses:

- Remedies
- Landlord
- Evidence
- Criminal
- Civil
- Legal Drafting

Term 1:

- Family

Term 2:

- Medicine
- Legislative Interpretation



5.

Is it true that we get assigned to a group, and we have to stay with that group for the entire 2 years?

Yes. You will also be assigned to subgroups. However, if you do not like your group, you can request to switch via senior tutor.

Please note that in the interest of sharing resources, it may be beneficial for friends to remain in separate groups.



6.

What happens if we fail?

If you fail 1 or 2 courses, you may write the supplemental exam/s.

If you fail 3 courses, you have to redo the year at the cost of \$100,000.00



7.

Do we have to wear
formal shoes everyday,
too?

Yes. In the interest of comfort, girls tend to wear flats.



8.

How long is a typical class? How long is a typical day?

A typical class lasts 2 hours.

A typical day depends on the class into which you are placed. Some groups have classes from the afternoon into the night, some have in the morning, and some have a mix.



9.

Do we still have access to
VLex, Lexis, etc.?

Yes, you will still have access to all of your
resources.



10.

Do we need a pass/
special permission to park
in the HWLS carpark?

Yes, you will get passes at open day. You need a pass to be able to park in the parking lot.



11.

Is there anything else we should know?

The printers and computers in the library do not work as efficiently as those in UWI. Food options are generally limited, and somewhat overpriced (but they do taste good). The wi-fi is unreliable. The shuttle service is also unreliable.

However, the area is home to many schools, so walking to and from UWI/ nearby food places is generally safe.



Good Luck!