



# LAGOS STATE UNIVERSITY, OJO

## DIPLOMA IN LAW (DIL)

### GENERAL BASIC REQUIREMENTS:

- i. Aspiring candidates must have at least four (4) credit passes at SSCE/GCE/NECO or its equivalent including English.
- ii. Mature candidates of not less than thirty-five (35) years of age with at least a pass in English Language or Mathematics with ten (10) years working experience at managerial level may be considered.

**DURATION:** Two (2) Academic Sessions

### REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD OF THE DIPLOMA IN LAW

#### Objectives:

In formulating the curriculum for the Diploma in Law (Evening and weekends) Programme, the political, social, economic and cultural factors prevalent in the Nigerian society were considered and carefully integrated. The curriculum introduces the student to the study of Law and equips him/her with tools for research and legal methods. Each participant in the programme is expected to acquire a broad knowledge of the law (an essential element in every human endeavour) which will enable him/her make reasonable decisions regarding his/her political, economic and social well-being, and which will make him a successful citizen of Nigeria.

The curriculum is also geared towards providing a solid foundation for further study of Law at a higher level, if the participant so desires. However, the Diploma in Law (evening & weekends) Programme is both a feeder programme and a terminal one. And, successful completion of the programme may aid participant to gain admission into any Nigeria's Universities for a Bachelor of Laws (LL. B) Degree.

#### FIRST SEMESTER DIPLOMA YEAR I

S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNIT	STATUS
1	DIL 011	Legal Methods	4	C
2	DIL 013	Law Of Contract I	4	C
3	DIL 015	Criminal Law I	4	C
4	DIL 017	Constitutional Law I	4	C
5	DIL 019	Introduction to Islamic Law I	4	C

#### SECOND SEMESTER DIPLOMA YEAR I

S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNIT	STATUS
1	DIL 010	Nigerian Legal System	4	C
2	DIL 012	Law Of Contract II	4	C
3	DIL 014	Criminal Law II	4	C
4	DIL 016	Constitutional Law II	4	C
5	DIL 018	Introduction to Islamic Law II	4	C

**FIRST SEMESTER  
DIPLOMA YEAR II**

S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNIT	STATUS
1	DIL 023	Law of Torts I	4	C
2	DIL 025	Revenue Law I	4	C
3	DIL 027	Commercial Law I	4	C
4	DIL 029	Land Law I	4	C
5	DIL 031	Civil Procedure	4	C

**SECOND SEMESTER  
DIPLOMA YEAR II**

S/N	COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNIT	STATUS
1	DIL 024	Law of Torts II	4	C
2	DIL 026	Revenue Law II	4	C
3	DIL 028	Commercial Law II	4	C
4	DIL 030	Land Law II	4	C
5	DIL 032	Civil Litigation II	4	C

**DIPLOMA YEAR IN SYNOPSIS OF LAW COURSES:**

**(a) DIL 011 LEGAL METHOD**

The course will examine the following:

1. The nature and functions of law in the society.
2. The History and emergence of early law such as Egyptian Law, Mesopotamian Law, Chinese Law, Hindu Law, Hebrew and Greek Law;
3. Traditional Law in selected African Societies
4. The use of library, and
5. The Legal profession in Nigeria.

**(b) DIL 010 NIGERIAN LEGAL SYSTEM**

The main objective of this course is to introduce students to the study of the sources of Nigerian Law generally and to acquaint him with the machinery for the administration of justice in Nigeria. Hence the course will reflect on the sources of Nigerian Legal System, internal conflicts and judicial personnel, legal education and advice, the organisation of Legal education and Legal Profession in Nigeria.

- (c) **DIL 013      LAW OF CONTRACT I**  
The course will focus attention on the principles and rules relating to valid contract. The course will cover topics like formation of contract e.g. offer, acceptance, consideration etc., misrepresentation and illegality.
- (d) **DIL 012      LAW OF CONTRACT II**  
The course will focus on the general principles governing construction of contract terms, privity of contract, discharge of contract and remedies/damages.
- (e) **DIL 015      CRIMINAL LAW I**  
This course examines the nature and sources of criminal law, classification of offences, history of criminal law in Nigeria, general principles of criminal Law in Nigeria, general principles of criminal responsibility, preliminary offences, parties to an offence and general defenses.
- (f) **DIL 014      CRIMINAL LAW II**  
This course will focus attention on offences against property, offences against the person, offences against the state and offences against corruption.
- (g) **DIL 017      CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I**  
This course will examine definition and sources of constitutional Law, classification of the constitution, the concept of separation of powers, Rules of Law, Federalism and supremacy of the constitution. The course will also examine the constitutional history of Nigeria, the Legislature, the Executive and the Judiciary as organs of the Nigerian Constitution.
- (h) **DIL 016      CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II**  
The individual and the state- Citizenship, types of citizens, mode of acquisition, renunciation and forfeiture theories of citizenship and nationality; fundamental objectives and directive principles of state policy and question of justiciability. Fundamental rights and civil liberties – theories of rights, specific guarantees under the constitution, chapter 4 of the 1999 constitution, concept of fundamental rights and the limits of the state. Remedies for violation of Constitutional Rights – Grounds for judicial intervention, methods of review *habeas corpus*, injunction, declaration, etc.
- (i) **DIL 019      INTRODUCTION TO ISLAMIC LAW I**  
This course will focus on the status of Islamic law within the Nigerian Legal System, source of Islamic Law of personal obligation, property and trust.
- (j) **DIL 018      INTRODUCTION TO ISLAMIC LAW II**  
This course will focus on the status of Islamic law within the Nigerian Legal System, source of Islamic Law of personal obligation, property and trust.
- (k) **DIL 023      LAW OF TORT I**  
This course introduces general rules relating to civil wrongs. The course will Embrace general principles of tortious liability, trespass to land, and trespass to chattels, defenses to intentional torts, conversion and detinue.
- (l) **DIL 024      LAW OF TORT II**  
This course focuses on the tort of Negligence, Nuisance and defamation, strict liability tort, the tort of passing off and vicarious liability will also be examined.
- (m) **DIL 026      REVENUE LAW I**

The course deals with nature of Tax Law, the evolution of Tax system in Nigeria and the source of the Law of Taxation in Nigeria. The course considers the allocation of powers to impose tax. It deals with the law governing the assessment and collection of tax.

(n) **DIL 025 REVENUE LAW II**

Different types of tax and duties imposed by the government, taxing powers of government.

(o) **DIL 027 COMMERCIAL LAW I**

This course will examine the general principles of the law of agency. It will focus attention on types of agents, creation of agency contract, types of agency and the legal implication, rights and liabilities of Agents and principal, termination of contract of agency and the nature and scope of Hire purchase agreement will also be examined.

(p) **DIL 028 COMMERCIAL LAW II**

This course will focus attention on the nature of sale of goods contract and will examine contract and will examine contract of sale of goods, implied terms, conditions and warranties and the legal implications, the issue of title to goods, acceptance and delivery of goods, transfer of property and passing of risk.

(q) **DIL 029 LAND LAW I**

This course will examine generally the concept of property, classification of rights in land and the different types of ownership in Nigeria. Attention will be given to the customary tenancy and customary pledge. Attempt will be made to examine in outline the provisions of the Land Use Act. 1978 as it affects the tenure system.

(r) **DIL 030 LAND LAW II**

This course will examine the doctrine of Estate and its operation under the new dispensation (i.e, the Land Use Act, 1978). It will also focus on leases and tenancies, mortgages and registration. General principles governing the buying and selling of Land will be examined in outline.

(s) **DIL 031 CIVIL PROCEURE**

This course will examine the source of civil procedure in Nigeria, types of person, parties to a civil suit, types of parties, commencement of action in magistrate and high court of Lagos State. Preliminary consideration, interlocutory applications, pleadings, trials, judgment, execution of monetary judgment and appeal.

(t) **DIL 032 CRIMINAL LITIGATION**

This course will examine introduction to criminal litigation, searches and arrest, pre-trial investigation, bail, constitutional safeguards, institution of criminal proceedings in Lagos State and Abuja. Examination of witnesses, judgment, sentencing and appeal.



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