

PURPOSE STATEMENT

QUALIFICATION TITLE: CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice

QUALIFICATION CODE: 601/3417/3

OVERVIEW

- CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice 601/3417/3 is for those wishing to gain a broad based, practical introduction to Law and Legal Practice and forms the first academic stage in the process of becoming a Chartered Legal Executive Lawyer. It requires that students achieve across key areas of Law and Legal Practice and learners are, therefore, likely to already be working in a legal capacity.
- There are no formal entry requirements but CILEx recommends that learners embarking on this programme of study for this qualification have a minimum of four GCSEs at grades C or above (including English Language/Literature) or equivalent qualifications. The qualification is aimed at those aged 16+.
- The qualification comprises ten units; including seven mandatory units which cover the key 'Foundation' subjects of: Introduction to Law and Practice, Law of Tort, Land Law, Client Care Skills, Legal Research Skills, Criminal Law, Contract Law, and three further units from identified legal pathways, which include at least two Legal Practice units, linked to studied law subjects. This is a QCF qualification, which allows flexibility in the choice of units and legal pathway taken in order to reflect the learner's main areas of interest.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

- CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice 601/3417/3 forms the first academic stage in the process of becoming a Chartered Legal Executive lawyer. Chartered Legal Executive lawyers specialise in a particular area of the law and are able to undertake the same level of work as that of a solicitor.
- In itself, the qualification recognises a certain level of achievement in law, legal practice and legal skills, which can be used to underpin a variety of paralegal roles within the Legal Services sector, eg litigation executive, employment claims executive, senior paralegal, RTA portal executive, RTA claims handler, conveyancing assistant.
- The CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice 601/3417/3 is the culmination of study at Level 3. It represents an academically wide-ranging challenge and, as such, should be studied after learners first attempt the narrower CILEx Level 3 Certificate in Law and Practice 601/3407/0.

- CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice 601/3417/3 provides progression to:
 - CILEx Level 6 Certificate in Law 601/3412/4, which is aimed at those who do not wish to go on to become full Chartered Legal Executive Lawyers but who want recognition for their skills in a specific professional area of law and practice.
 - CILEx Level 6 Diploma in Law and Practice 601/3408/2, which is the final academic stage towards becoming a Chartered Legal Executive Lawyer.
 - a degree in Law/Graduate Diploma in Law (for those who want to become a solicitor).
- The CILEx route to Chartered Legal Executive status also offers exemptions towards learners going on to become solicitors.

Achievement of a single Level 3 unit enables learners to become Affiliate members of CILEx.

Achievement of the full CILEx Level 3 Diploma in Law and Practice enables learners to become Associate members of CILEx.

See hyperlink:

http://www.cilex.org.uk/membership/membership_grades_and_fees.aspx

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on the qualification can be found at [Lawyer Qualifications](#)