



## E.MA director

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Prof. Thérèse Murphy

**Fields of competence:** international human rights law, with particular expertise in health, the life sciences and associated technologies, criminology, and gender and sexuality.

## Other academics involved in E.MA 2016/2017

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In addition to the academics named in the list of second semester courses set out below, we can offer supervision from a range of other academics, as listed on the next page. Some of these may also be teaching on the second semester courses.

## The university and the city

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Queen's University Belfast was founded in 1845. It currently has about 24,000 students, of whom 2,400 are international students.

The Law School is one of the largest in the University, with approximately 1,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students. The School has traditionally been very strong in three research areas: human rights, criminology and criminal justice, and governance. It has expertise in many other fields too (see: [www.law.qub.ac.uk](http://www.law.qub.ac.uk)). In the 2008 and 2014 assessments of research quality in the UK, the Law School at Queen's ranked amongst the best in the country. In September 2016 the Law School moved into a brand new building, with excellent facilities.

Belfast is a city of around 300,000 inhabitants with a rich industrial and cultural history. It has good museums, great parks, a lively night-life and easy access to the coastline, mountains and countryside. Living costs are amongst the lowest in the UK.

Belfast has two airports, and Dublin is two hours away by public transport.

## Second semester courses

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**Courses available for E.MA students:** The courses that will be offered in the second semester of 2016/2017 (usually by 2-hour seminars once a week) are:

- Counter-terrorism and Human Rights (Prof Brice Dickson) 9 ECTS
- Human Rights and Migration (Prof Jean Allain) 9 ECTS
- The Protection of Human Rights in Europe, Africa and the Americas (Prof Chris McCrudden) 9 ECTS
- Equality and Discrimination (Dr Ronagh McQuigg) 9 ECTS
- Theoretical Criminology (Dr Graham Ellison)
- Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice (Prof Phil Scraton) 9 ECTS
- Justice in Transition (Dr Luke Moffett) 9 ECTS
- Approaches to Legal Research (Dr Alex Schwartz) 4.5 ECTS

**Deadline for enrolment in the courses:** Whenever we get the names of students coming to Belfast in January 2017, those names will be forwarded to our International Office, which can assist students in finding accommodation, etc.

**Examination procedures:** Presentation of an essay (usually 5,000 words max) in the primary course + a mini-essay in a second course.

### Websites:

[www.qub.ac.uk](http://www.qub.ac.uk)

<http://www.law.qub.ac.uk>

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# Thesis

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**The School of Law at Queen's University Belfast is able to offer supervision of theses within the following broad areas (and this is not an exhaustive list):**

- Business and human rights ([Dr Ciara Hackett](#); [Dr Ciarán O'Kelly](#))
- Corporate crime ([Dr Kevin Brown](#))
- Critical approaches to rights ([Dr Mohsen al Attar](#); [Dr Kathryn McNeilly](#))
- Environmental rights ([Dr Peter Doran](#))
- Equality and non-discrimination ([Prof Christopher McCrudden](#); [Dr Ronagh McQuigg](#))
- European human rights law ([Prof Brice Dickson](#); [Prof Colin Harvey](#))
- Food security; the right to food ([Prof Jean Allain](#))
- Human rights in Africa or in the Americas ([Prof Jean Allain](#); [Prof Brice Dickson](#))
- Human trafficking; slavery ([Prof Jean Allain](#))
- International criminal law ([Dr Luke Moffett](#))
- International humanitarian law; conflict regulation ([Prof Jean Allain](#); [Dr Luke Moffett](#))
- International migration or refugee law ([Prof Jean Allain](#); [Prof Colin Harvey](#))
- Policing and human rights ([Prof Brice Dickson](#); [Dr Graham Ellison](#))
- Religious freedom ([Prof Christopher McCrudden](#))
- Sexuality and human rights ([Prof Thérèse Murphy](#))
- Sustainable development and the green economy ([Dr Peter Doran](#))
- The right to science; bioethics and human rights ([Dr Mark Flear](#); [Prof Thérèse Murphy](#))
- Terrorism and human rights ([Prof Brice Dickson](#))
- The United Nations and human rights ([Prof Brice Dickson](#); [Dr Luke Moffett](#))
- Women's rights ([Dr Kathryn McNeilly](#); [Dr Ronagh McQuigg](#); [Prof Thérèse Murphy](#))

**Number of copies to hand in at the hosting university:** 1 electronic copy (+ 1 electronic and 1 hard copy to the E.MA Secretariat)

## Library

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<http://www.qub.ac.uk/directorates/InformationServices/TheLibrary/>

The McClay Library is a state of the art building. It has probably the most extensive collection of law books, law reports and journals in Ireland, and its electronic resources are excellent. It is open for students from 8.00am to 10.00pm on weekdays (with the ground floor open to 2.00am during term-time) and for shorter periods on Saturdays and Sundays.

## Contacts with NGOs and/or IGOs

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The School of Law at QUB has many contacts with international, regional and domestic human rights bodies, including IGOs and NGOs. Northern Ireland itself is very rich in voluntary and community organisations operating in the human rights, equality and social justice fields. Being a territory which is still emerging out of conflict (though it is now a very safe place to live: the rate of crime is one of the lowest in Europe), it is a good part of the world in which to study issues associated with transitional justice. Northern Ireland has its own legislature (the Northern Ireland Assembly) and its own court system, but the content of the law is very similar to that in England and Wales. Civil society organisations are very active on human rights, equality and justice issues in Northern Ireland. Inevitably there are also close ties with organisations in the Republic of Ireland.

## Administration and logistics

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**Information concerning visa arrangements:**

<http://www.qub.ac.uk/sites/NewStudents/Postgraduate-International/ImmigrationVisaprocedures/>

**IT and logistics:**

<http://www.qub.ac.uk/directorates/InformationServices/>