Institution: Queen Mary University of London



Unit of Assessment: C20 - Law

a. Overview

The School has as its central focus the role of Law and its institutions in contemporary international society and it is divided into two organizational units: the Department of Law and the Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS). The Department of Law focuses on the culture and institutions of the rule of law in creating civil society at all levels from the local to the transnational. CCLS focuses on the constitutive role played by law in shaping global commerce, and concentrates its activities on research linked to the major domains of law in commercial life.

Each Unit has its own Head and Director of Research. A steering committee ensures co-ordination between the two Units of the School. The School uses Research Centres to shape and focus activities in each area of specialism to promote collaboration, and efficient and creative research partnerships. Research Centres hosting regular seminars and conferences create a vibrant research culture, which is further sustained by a strong PhD programme (137 PhD students currently, including those at writing up stage), and a continuing policy of active engagement with researchers in other departments and universities, as well as those in the wider legal and policy community. Members of the School help set the agenda for research in a number of key areas including commercial law, criminal justice, public and international law, and legal theory (an example being Cotterell's work on legal theory recognized by his award of a Fellowship of the British Academy). Our work also exerts an important influence on policy makers in government, in the legal profession and business worldwide, recent examples being Lastra's work on banking regulation in global financial crisis (informing the work of International Monetary Fund, European Central Bank and the Bank of England), Mulheron's work on class action and third-party funding in litigation (informing Civil Justice Council of England and Wales), Mitsilegas's work on Criminal Justice (informing the European Commission European Parliament and the Judiciary of England and Wales), Malleson's and Barmes's research on Judiciary diversity (informing the Ministry of Justice, the House of Lords and the Advisory Panel for the selection of judges to the Court of Justice of the European Union) and Millard's, Walden's and Reed's work on Cloud Computing (informing Microsoft's and European Commission's policy on legal implications of Cloud Computing).

The School is the largest school in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL), which aims to be in the national top 10 in research and teaching in all its constituent departments, building on RAE2008's result of being in the top 10 for 9 out of 13 active research areas. The Faculty has more AHRC collaborative doctoral awards than any other UK institution, and is part of research project CreativeworksLondon (http://www.creativeworkslondon.org.uk). The School has actively engaged with CreativeworksLondon; for example **Shemtov** in collaboration with the Centre for Digital Music at the School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science at QMUL has developed an interdisciplinary research project under Creativeworks London, which aims to develop viable business models (both in legal and technological terms) for Small and Medium Enterprise start ups that aim to enter the fields of music and textile designs in the context of digital technology.

The Faculty has played a major role in a number of Research Council initiatives including AHRC's Beyond Text programme and the Global Shakespeare Programme being developed through QMUL's strategic partnership with the University of Warwick. The School of Law has played a significant part in many of these initiatives (for instance **del Mar**'s work on The Arts and the Legal Academy, which formed part of the Beyond Text programme). QMUL as a whole is a leading research intensive university. It joined the Russell Group in 2012, and is ranked 114 in the 2013 THE World University Rankings.

b. Research strategy



The School's strategic plan for the period 2008-2013 was to build on and develop the aims set out in our submission to RAE 2008. Our main aim was to consolidate our position as a large leading law school, by maintaining a strong commitment to research of the highest quality across a broad spectrum of legal subjects and approaches, including doctrinal, contextual, and philosophical. We are committed to interdisciplinarity to enrich our research and intensify its impact, while maintaining a core basis in the discipline of legal research and scholarship. Our strategy for achieving this involved (1) strong *support* to *junior staff* and *graduate students*; (2) investment in *career development* for all staff; (3) *clustering research* activity into *research centres*; (4) development of *interdisciplinary collaborations* within and outside the School; and (5) our work as a School has a strong focus on *practical applications*, and we build dissemination, impact and public engagement into our activities not as an afterthought but throughout the research cycle.

More specifically, the focus of the School is on Law and its institutions in modern global society. While the Department focuses on the constitutive role of Law in creating civil society and public institutions, CCLS focuses on its role in constructing global commerce. We use research centres to coordinate activity, foster collaboration and team-working, and develop coherent portfolios of research, from inception to dissemination to new project development. The School's research infrastructure is headed by the two Directors of Research, one for the department and one for CCLS. Each director monitors the research performance of all members of staff, discussing progress on projects and advising staff on research strategies. The Directors are assisted by research committees in each unit, and by the heads of the different research clusters. The Directors co-ordinate their activities to ensure that the School as a whole maintains a coherent and efficient research strategy.

CCLS houses six research institutes, each of which is led by a senior academic:

- The Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute (headed by Gibson). http://www.qmipri.org/ QMIPRI is one of the largest intellectual property research groups in the world, and has a successful programme of training in IP law for lawyers and scientists at LLM, MSc, and PhD. It publishes its own journal, the Queen Mary Journal of Intellectual Property, and hosts a range of seminars and conferences including the Herchel Smith Seminar series and a conference held jointly with the School of English and Drama on Fashioning Intellectual Property Rights: Past and Present. The Intellectual Property Institute is an independent public research organisation and charity committed to international evidence-base research in intellectual property and development.
- The Institute of International Finance Law (headed by Lastra) is one of the leading groups in international finance and the law worldwide, and has developed strong links with Queen Mary School of Economics and Finance via innovative MSc and MA programmes in Law and Finance and Law and Economics. It hosts a range of conferences and seminars, including collaborative initiatives with the Bank of England, the International Monetary Fund and the European Central Bank.
- The **Institute of Computer and Communications Law** (headed by **Walden**) is leading research in internet and e-commerce law, with innovative research including two project on the law of cloud computing (one funded by Microsoft: £463,084 for 2009-2015; and another funded by the European Commission: £264,829 for 2012-2016).
- The **School of International Arbitration** (headed by Mistelis). This School has accredited observer status at UN bodies. The operations of the School are international, and it has received funding by leading international accounting and law firms (including PWC and White & Case) to conduct five empirical studies on arbitration. It has an extensive academic programme of research, and practical education and training in arbitration, and hosts successful training and seminar programmes in London and worldwide, including an Annual Symposium of Arbitrators (co-organised with the International Chamber of Commerce Institute of World Business Law) since 1985.
- The **Insurance Law Institute** (led by **Rawlings**), established in 2012 to support high quality teaching and research in all areas of Insurance Law, and in 2013 hosted two roundtable discussions on Systemic Risk and the Future of Insurance Regulation.
- The Institute of Ethics, Regulation and Rule of Law (led by Brekoulakis and Rogers), established in 2013 to host research on commercial regulation necessary to address ethical



and rule of law issues. There are already two research projects underway: the first one examines the regulatory, ethical and procedural issues relating to third-party funding in international arbitration, and the second examines issues of transparency in the selection and appointment of arbitrators in international arbitral tribunals

The Department has four research centres which co-ordinate and promote research in particular areas:

- The Criminal Justice Centre (directed by Mitsilegas) hosts regular seminars and conferences. In 2009, it held a symposium on neoliberal penality, and in January 2010, it hosted a conference on hate speech bans. In June 2011, it hosted a conference on 'The Future of Expert Evidence', and in autumn 2011 it held an Extradition Review conference, involving all three members of the Extradition Review Panel. In May 2013, it hosted a one-day conference on 'Comparative Criminal Procedures the Case of Terrorism Investigations and Prosecutions', and in September 2013 one on Hate Crime taking place co-organised with the Law Commission. It leads the FP7-funded EFFACE project on environmental crime. It hosted the 2012 WG Hart workshop on Globalisation, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice and a conference on Globalisation and Organized Crime jointly with Renmin University, Beijing.
- The Human Rights Collegium (co-directed by Van Bueren and Stephen Bowen, of the British Institute of Human Rights) hosts seminars on issues relating to national and international human rights. In March 2013, it hosted a lecture by Albie Sachs, former Justice of the South African Constitutional Court ('Confessions of a Judicial Activist'). The Collegium is the first association between a university and a non-governmental organisation established to provide scholarly expertise, research and teaching. The British Institute of Human Rights is a leading non-governmental organisation which undertakes research and policy analysis in the field of human rights. It has established a formal research link with the department via the Human Rights Collegium.
- The Legal Theory and Legal History Research Group (co-ordinated by Del Mar) has hosted a regular series of seminars on legal theory, and hosted the 2013 annual conference of the IVR, on 'Legal Theory and Legal History a Neglected Dialogue?'. The conference was attended by over 100 delegates, and heard more than fifty presentations. From September 2013, this group has been re-organised as a more formal centre, the Centre for Law and Society in a Global Context, which on 8-9 November 2013 hosted a Modern Law Review Seminar on "Authority in a Transnational Age". The Selden Society is the United Kingdom's premier scholarly society for the study of legal history.
- The **Centre for Culture and Law** (GLOCUL), directed by **Shah**, hosts regular seminars on issues relating to pluralism and cultural diversity, including a seminar in April 2013 on 'Networks, Narratives and Community Formation among Gujarati Indians in New York'. In June 2010, Shah also hosted the RELIGARE conference at QMUL, bringing together members of an international network exploring the interface of religion, culture and law.

In addition, **Reed** has established a cross-QMUL **Centre for Law and Science**, bringing together researchers with interests in law, regulation and technology from medicine, cognitive science, computing, economics, business and the School of Law. This is a major new strategic initiative for research collaboration and funding to support a population of PhD and post-doctoral researchersfor 2013 onwards.

Other staff members also participate in interdisciplinary centres within the College - notably the *Centre for Global Security and Development*, the *Centre for the Study of Migration*, the *Centre for the Study of the History of Political Thought* and the *Centre for the Study of the History of the Emotions*. Within the School, much valuable work has been done by staff collaborating, such as the work done jointly by **Schiff** and **Nobles** on systems theory, by **Malleson** and **Barmes** on issues of equality and diversity and by **Mistelis** and **Brekoulakis** in arbitration, and **Brekoulakis** and **Rogers** on Ethics and Regulation. A number of interdisciplinary links with other departments in the College have been developed. **Vinokur** and **Olivares-Caminal** were appointed jointly by CCLS and the School of Economics have been established, laying a teaching foundation for future research collaboration. **Barmes** and **Malleson** have developed an AHRC funded interdisciplinary



network with the Centre for Research into Equality and Diversity in QMUL's School of Business and Management and the School of Geography, and set up inter-institutional collaborations through the Equal Justice Initiative (discussed below). **Hörnle** has developed a funded PhD research project on law and psychology examining children's exposure to online gambling against the background of regulation of under-aged gambling (co-supervised by **Hörnle** (QMUL Law) and Griffiths (Nottingham Psychology), and another PhD research project on online profiling and privacy, co-supervised by **Hörnle** and a member of QMUL Business Department.

The School actively seeks to stimulate and exchange new ideas and promote debate in important areas of law linked to its strategic areas of research areas. We organize specialized research workshops and seminars for scholars and practitioners (including Mitsilegas and Alldridge's WG Hart Workshop on Globalization, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice and Rawlings and Georgosouli's seminar series New Voices in Commercial Law), conferences with major international organizations (including Lastra's conference on the WTO with the World Trade Organization and Mistelis and Brekoulakis's event on Sports Law and Arbitration with the Court of Arbitration for Sports), major international conferences (including Fitzmaurice's conference on the Permanent Court and International Law and del Mar's organization of the annual meeting of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy), and public lectures. The School hosts the annual Butterworth's Lecture by eminent lawyers including Hon. Mrs Justice Dobbs, Shami Chakrabarti, Rabinder Singh QC, Sir Ross Cranston, and the Attorney General, Dominic Grieve QC. All of these build on the regular seminar series which meet fortnightly during term, at which staff members, research students and invited speakers present work in progress. Recent invited speakers at such seminars have included speakers from overseas, such as Prof Harry Arthurs, Prof Sheldon Halpern and Prof Stanley Paulson.

The School also regularly hosts a number of visiting academics from abroad, particularly encouraging visiting scholars whose interests have resonance with the broad-based and interdisciplinary culture of the School. In the last three years, visitors have included Prof Udo Schüklenk from the Department of Philosophy of Queen's University, Ontario (a specialist in bioethics), Sir David Baragwanath, former justice of the Court of Appeal of New Zealand (now an international court judge), Prof Michihiro Kaino of Kyoto (a legal philosopher and specialist of the thought of Jeremy Bentham), and Prof Adrian Howe of RMIT University (Melbourne), a specialist of gender and the law. In addition, **Heinze** has invited and hosted visits from Helene Cixous and Julia Kristeva, who both gave lectures and seminars to staff and students.. CCLS hosts a large number of distinguished visiting professors, including formerly members of the judiciary: Lord Hoffmann, Lord Lawrence Collins, Sir Bernard Rix, HH Humphrey Lloyd; and distinguished practitioners in international law firms: Audley Sheppard (Clifford Chance LLP), Dr Laurence Shore (Herbert Smith Freehills LLP), Donald Donovan (Debevoise & Plimpton LLP).

Other notable events organized by the School in the period include: the annual Corporate Law lecture series (led by **Dignam**). **Matthews** organised a conference with the Academy of European Law (ERA) on the Unitary Patent System in Paris in November 2012, and the annual workshop of the European Intellectual Property Teachers' Network (EIPTN) (2008-2012); **Fitzmaurice** has organised regular conferences on international law at QMUL, including on 'Governing by Conference of the Parties' and on 'Structural Challenges Facing International Organisations – Reassessing the League of Nations'. **Olivares-Caminal** organised a conference on the 'EU Sovereign Debt Crisis: Where From—Where To?' in London in June 2012 and the 'Third Banking Law Symposium: Financial Crisis Management and the Use of Government Guarantees' at the OECD in Paris in October 2011.The aim of all these events is to facilitate high quality, impactful research, deepen networks linking academic, business and policy worlds, and address issues of specific current concern. The Centres within the School and CCLS are the major vehicle for these initiatives.

Looking ahead, we have identified a number of strategic priorities for the next five years.

 Firstly, we will continue to give strong administrative and management support to assist staff in generating research income from both governmental and non-governmental sources, to identify key funding partners and develop their knowledge exchange and transfer, and public



engagement and impact, strategies.

- Secondly, we will expand and develop our programme of research collaborations, both with
 researchers in other institutions and in other disciplines. In particular, we will develop the
 College's strategic partnership with Warwick University focusing on areas of common research
 interest such as Human Rights and Criminal Justice with the aim of developing collaborative
 grant applications and workshops.
- Thirdly, we will expand and develop our already extensive programme of research conferences, workshops and seminars, with the aim of consolidating the School's position as a major centre for intellectual life in Law in London, focusing on the areas in which the School has leading research centres with worldwide reputation (which are described at greater length below).
- Fourthly, we will ensure timely completion of PhDs, and, building on this, increase the number of PhD students. We will make increasing use of the MA(Res) as a way of assuring the quality of students admitted to the PhD programme and supporting the early training of research students, including training in interdisciplinary methods. We will also make increased use of the integrated interdisciplinary training provided by the ESRC Doctoral Training Centre at QMUL (awarded together with Goldsmiths). Fifthly, we will continue to develop our in-house publication policy, both by developing the QMUL Law Working Papers series on SSRN and by supporting in-house journals, such as the Queen Mary Journal of Intellectual Property. We will move to Green Open Access as our publishing norm.

c. People, including

i. Staffing strategy and staff development

The School's staffing strategy aims to appoint and retain the highest quality researchers on permanent contracts, building on first, our *areas of strength* and second, on our *demographic and international diversity*:

- 1. The pattern of recruitment has been to enrich our research in areas of particular strength, including commercial law (Rawlings, Georgosouli, Goldby, Loverdou), intellectual property (Dimita, Shemtov), banking and finance (Olivares-Caminal, Russo), arbitration law (Scherer, Gallagher, DeGirolamo), EU law (Mendez, Gragl, Dimopoulos), public law (Morris), human rights (Hohmann, Moreno-Lax), jurisprudence (Del Mar, Lindroos-Hovinheimo), international law (Allen), criminal law (Hufnagel), medical law (Fletcher), law and ethics (Rogers), and company law (Choudhury, Perera).
- 2. The body of academic staff in the School has a broad demographic and international spread. 59% of the academic staff in the School are male; 41% female. 71% of the professors are men and 29% are women; three men and three women are Readers. The cosmopolitan nature of the School is reflected in the fact that 53% of staff members originate from outside the UK; and 8% are from minority ethnic communities. 95% of the staff submitted from the School have permanent contracts. Dimita, Scherer, Perera, Del Mar, Hohmann, Gragl, Loverdou, DeGirolamo, Gallagher, Shemtov and Mendez were each given their first permanent academic job by the School during this period of assessment. We have also been able to attract senior academics from leading institutions worldwide, including Rawlings, Rogers, Guild, Ormerod and Millard. The School has a large number (22%) of mid-career staff who have been appointed or promoted to chairs, and who will form a backbone of leadership for research in the School in the next twenty years. There is also a large body of experienced scholars below professorial level who will build the profile of the School in years to come (8% Readers, 24% Senior Lecturers).

A number of structures exist both at College and School level to ensure that all staff have the best possible support for their development and career progression. The College supports the RCUK Concordat to support the Career Development of Researchers, and monitors each department to ensure they align with the expectations contained within it. The College also has a robust system of probation, to provide support for new staff and identify any training needs they may have. New academic staff have a probation period of three years, with assessments and feedback given to the probationer at the end of every year. There is a rigorous but supportive appraisal and mentoring



systems for all staff. While all academic staff are expected to teach not more than 7 hours/week (averaged over the teaching year), early career staff are expected to teach not more than 4 hours/week until they have completed probation, in order to assist them in establishing their research careers.

Throughout this assessment period, the School has had a Staff Advisory Committee, which advises on all matters relating to academic staff career progression. This committee surveys the career progression of all academic staff, and seeks to identify cases where the extent of the contributions and achievements of an individual may not have been sufficiently recognised. The Directors of Research conduct biannual meetings with all staff members to advise on career development, taking full account of the Public Sector Equality Duty. In addition, we have a robust mentoring programme, where each junior staff (Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and Reader) is mentored by two members at professorial level. Through these processes colleagues have mentored through to successful major research grant applications. For example, **Shemtov's** Digital Economy/EPRSC funding bid of £1,257,271 (submitted in June 2013 and currently under review) was the result of mentoring discussion with his mentor and the Director of Research who brought him in contact with collaborators from Cass Business School and Nottingham University for that interdisciplinary bid. **Shah's** EC FP7 grant of £223,000 RELIGARE on religious diversity and the law in the European Union was the fruition of mentoring across the REF period from first grant to large-scale EC funding.

Under the College's sabbatical policy, staff may apply for one term of study leave after six terms of service, or one year of leave after six years of service. Twenty four members of staff have had sabbatical leave since September 2008, nine for a full year, eight for two terms, and the rest for a single term. Under the School's sabbatical policy, requests for sabbatical leave must be linked with specific plans for a research project, and as a result, many of the outputs included in our REF submission have been produced during the sabbatical leave.

Finally, the School has a clear policy on research ethics. The policy aims to ensure that all studies are carried out with honesty, integrity and due care for the rights of participants and researchers. The processes and procedures implementing this policy have been established and are monitored by the Queen Mary Ethics of Research Committee (http://www.arcs.qmul.ac.uk/academic_board/research_ethics_committee/)

ii. Research students

Over the last five years, the School has prioritized the development of a strong research culture among its graduate community through a number of initiatives, seeking to foster a sense of collegiality within its graduate community, and between that community and the academic members of staff. New workspaces and common rooms have been provided for research students at Lincoln's Inn Fields. These are in addition to the dedicated postgraduate centre which is available for all research graduates to use at Mile End. Furthermore, research students have full access to the staff common room and are invited to participate in the School's staff meetings and all research seminar series. Research students are also invited to join the School's various research groupings, and to participate in their activities. PhD students are mentored through to publication and post-doctoral appointment, and in a number of cases have published with senior colleagues (for instance, PhD student Kuan Hon has co-authored several articles on cloud computing with senior staff, i.e. Reed, Walden and Millard in the cloud computing group) and/or have been appointed to academic posts in the School (e.g. Shemtov, Gari, Brekoulakis). Several of our recent PhD students have gone on to major academic appointments in UK and worldwide, including Braithwaite (LSE), Kotsovili (Brunel), McDonagh (Cardiff), Brayson (Sussex), O'Floinn (Southampton), Viens (Southampton), Merkouris (Groningen), Bloom (UNU Barcelona), **Turner** (Kingston) and **Razzaque** (UWE).

The School has a robust PhD admissions policy with a dedicated admissions officer employed by the School. The College has implemented a strict policy that students are expected to complete their PhD research within four years, and potential supervisors consider closely whether an



applicant is likely to be able to complete the proposed project in that time. We also run a successful MA by Research programme; students who complete this with Distinction can continue directly into the PhD programme.

Great care is taken to ensure the best training for our research students. The School's comprehensive approach to research students is part of a QMUL-wide cohesive approach to postgraduate training, support and cohort-building via its newly developed cross-disciplinary QMUL Doctoral College: http://www.learninginstitute.gmul.ac.uk/doctoralcollege/ During this period, the College has also been awarded funding for an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre, which is jointly run with Goldsmiths College and it is open to all PhD students, giving a firm foundation in a variety of research methods from across the humanities and social sciences disciplines, and exposure to the different ways disciplines approach joint research questions. Students are given intensive training in research techniques in their second term, through a two-week course hosted at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies which is paid for by the School (it costs £400 per student). All students also attend a compulsory weekly research methods seminar in their first year and fortnightly advanced methods seminars in their second and third years. There is also a doctoral research seminar series, with weekly seminar meetings in which research students present papers and get feedback on their work from an audience of fellow students and academic staff. Research students at the School organize an annual PhD conference which include speakers both from the QMUL student community and other HEIs. It attracts over 100 participants each year and around 40 papers are presented. The School offers funds of £500 for PhD students who need help to pay for travel and accommodation costs to attend conferences. In addition, the College Postgraduate Research support fund provides students grants of between £400 and £2000 for conference attendance and fieldwork. The School also supports student led initiatives. For example, it funds coffee. Junches and provides administrative support and room space for 'writing retreats' organized by the students. These are held about six times a year and are very well attended. It also pays for the cost of food and drinks for social events each term outside the college so that students can meet informally and strengthen their PhD community. The School has also successfully bid for college level funding for PhD studentships in areas of strength (such as the law of migration) which it is keen to develop further. Recruitment to these studentships is on the basis of an open competition. The School also supports excellent postgraduate researchers by offering a limited number of Graduate Teaching Assistantships every year. GTAs undertake 4 hours of teaching per week within the department from their second year, and are given a maintenance grant at Research Council rates as well as a waiver of tuition fees at the Home rate.

The progress of PhD students is closely monitored during their periods of study. Mechanisms are in place to ensure that the School is aware at the earliest opportunity of any problems arising in the student's progress. Equal opportunities for research students are monitored and the College's disabilities procedures are adhered to rigorously, with additional support (such as specific IT requirements) provided as necessary. The School has two Directors of Graduate Studies responsible for all graduate research, and a Deputy Director responsible for admissions. In addition the School has a shared Deputy Director responsible for research training. The Directors of GS are accountable to the Director of QMUL Doctoral College who is accountable to the Vice Principal for Research. This structure provides strong governance for graduate research as a whole within the College, Sector and School.

d. Income, infrastructure and facilities

Our success in research activity involves an integrated approach: winning competitive research funding from sources across the range, including Research Council, EU and Government bodies, charity and industry (which demonstrates the quality of our research, our track record, and the effective governance of our research); making use of research centres and clusters to support collaboration and internal peer review; active dissemination of our research to users; pump-priming investment in individuals' research and strong research support administration (in addition to the College's Joint Research Management Office, the School has a full-time research support administrator to identify calls and assist in preparing bids).



Income

In the period 2008-13, the School generated £4,587,279, in research grant income. Of this, approx. 40% came from EU government bodies, 30% from UK based charities and 30% from industry. We have been successful in winning prestigious funding from major EU and Research Council funders. We have been awarded three FP7 grants by the European Commission: Shah (RELIGARE on religious and legal pluralism, £223,000), Mitsilegas and Fitzmaurice (the EFFACE project on environmental crime, £102,500) Ashcroft (EVERREST, on gene therapy and bioethics £163,618), Additionally, McConville obtained EU PEACE III funding for a project on the Irish Peace Process (£864,000). From the UK Research Councils, we have won funding including Malleson (who obtained AHRC funding for her project on the Politics of Judicial Independence, £54,789), Dine (who obtained two AHRC grants for her project on Fairtrade Movement and to assess EU compliance of Human Rights, £300,272 and £261,614), Suthersanen (whose 'Who owns the orphan' project was funded by the AHRC Beyond Text scheme, £120,744) Matthews (whose work on NGOs and Intellectual Property is funded by ESRC) and Millard (whose A4 Cloud Project is funded by the European Commission, £498,539). In the same period, Reed held a Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship and Walker and del Mar both hold Leverhulme Fellowships. Ashcroft holds funding from the Wellcome Trust (the Centre for the Study of Incentives in Health, £113,000) and the UK Clinical Research Collaboration (the UK Centre for Tobacco and Alcohol Studies). We have also successfully attracted commercial funding: Millard and Walden (whose Cloud Computing Project is supported by Microsoft £463,084), Gibson (TELES PRI GmbH, for her patent project, £327,759), Gari (for a project on Free Trade Zones sponsored by the Inter-American Development Bank), Mistelis and Brekoulakis (whose empirical research on arbitration was funded by PricewaterhouseCoopers and White & Case, £218,000). We have also attracted competitive funding for three Modern Law Review seminars (Mitsilegas, del Mar and Fitzmaurice). Many of these projects involve collaborative interdisciplinary research (for instance Ashcroft's collaborations with medicine, psychology and economics, McConville's collaborations with history and politics, and del Mar's collaboration with English and drama). Current collaborative research involves partnerships with academic and policy-making institutions worldwide, including all EU member states, Australia, China, the US and Singapore.

Infrastructure and facilities

Enjoying a very healthy financial position, underpinned by a variety of very successful teaching programmes (e.g. our LL.M. and PhD programmes currently have 650 and 137 registered students respectively, and are possibly the largest programmes in the UK), both the School and the College have greatly invested in providing strong infrastructural and institutional research support.

One of the strategic investments in the last 6 years was the lease and refurbishment of the premises at Lincoln's Inn Fields to create a prime location, at the heart of the legal community, to conduct and disseminate research and to provide the infrastructure and support for all members of staff to fulfill their potential to the maximum. Originally, a big part of the School, in addition to its premises at the Mile End campus, moved in the basement, ground, first and second floor of 67-69 Lincoln's Inn Fields, spending £1,413,000 for refurbishment and subsequent modifications, and additional furniture. In 2011 the School further expanded on the third and fourth floor spending in excess of £2,000,000, while in 2014 the School will further expand and occupy the whole building of 67-69 Lincoln's Inn Fields.

The state-of-the-art premises at Lincoln's Inn Fields have been designed with the aim to enhance research synergies within our Research Centres: each Research Centre has exclusively allocated space, typically with a specialist library and a presentation room where members of each Centre meet and hold regular research seminars (e.g. the School of International Arbitration occupies half of the fourth floor, whereas the Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute occupies half of the third floor).

Infrastructure for our research students has also been our main priority. There is designated space for our research students both at our Lincoln's Fields Inn and Mile End campuses, with several hot-



desks, 60 lockers and 28 PC's (18 at Lincoln's Inn Fields and 10 at Mile End). In addition, we permanently rent 4 carrels (for £1,700 annually) at the library of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies for the exclusive use of our PhD students. We also have designated space and PC's for our visiting scholars both at the Lincoln's Inn Fields and the Mile End campus (12 desks and PC's in total).

The School has a clear policy to provide strong financial support for our Research Centres as well as individual members of staff. For example, for 2012-13 the School spent in excess of £80,000 for conferences and seminars organised by our Research Centres and £8,500 for our PhD conference and research seminar series. To facilitate the research of individual staff members, each member of the School is allocated a research budget of £3000 annually, which can be used for the full range of academic activities, including to pay for conference attendance both domestically and internationally, and to pay for research assistance. In addition, staff may apply to the Head of Department or the Director of CCLS for additional funds for particular projects. This is not only used for individuals' research expenses, but strategically to prime bids for external research funding.

A big part of our research investment is associated with library and electronic databases costs, where we *annually* spend in excess of £50,000 for electronic databases, in excess of £130,000 on books and in excess of £50,000 on journals. All members and research students have access to three libraries: the library in our Mile End campus, the library in our Lincoln's Inn Fields campus and at the library of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies at Russell Square. In addition, CCLS houses the extensive Herchel Smith Intellectual Property Archive, which comprises 10,000 volumes and is maintained by a chartered librarian.

Finally, our academic staff are supported by 29 administrative staff, which includes a dedicated IT unit and two dedicated administrators for PhD students. We also employ two dedicated research grant administrators: one is a research support administrator (assisted by a senior academic member) responsible to identify calls and assist in preparing bids and another is responsible to deal with grant costings and pre-award authorisations, recruitment of research assistants and management of the research grant finances.

e. Collaboration or contribution to the discipline or research base

1. Collaborations with other researchers outside the submitted unit, including interdisciplinary collaborations and collaborations with third sector partners

Several members of the School are leading members of international networks and societies: for instance, **Del Mar** is the President of the UK branch of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (IVR; since 2004, **McConville** has had a strategic partnership with Trinity College Dublin in his work on Irish Political Prisoners and the Irish Peace Process; **Mitsilegas** is a Co-ordinator of the European Criminal Law Academic Network (ECLAN) which brings together academics from the 28 EU member states and beyond and also a member of the Expert Group on EU Criminal Polocy (advising the Justice Commissioner and Commission Vice-President Viviane Reding); **Westkamp** was a member of the European Max Planck Group on Conflict of Laws in Intellectual Property (2008-11). **Malleson** and **Barmes** participated in the creation of the AHRC-funded PEDEC research network (Promoting Equality and Diversity through Economic Crisis); **Barmes** is on the steering committee of the Equality and Diversity Research Network, a multidisciplinary network established in 2010 to bring together academics, policy makers and NGO researchers to in the UK.

Staff have actively engaged with researchers in other disciplines and outside the university sector to both conduct research and disseminate findings: **Van Bueren** has been a member of the Equalities and Human Rights Commission since 2009; **Matthews** is a member of the UK Intellectual Property Office's Expert Advisory Group on Trade and Development; **Mulheron** has been a member of the Civil Justice Council of England and Wales since 2009; **Matleson** was a member of the Law Society's Reference Group on Constitutional Affairs in 2009; **Rawlings** is on



the committee of the British Insurance Law Association. In addition, **Okowa** was shortlisted for appointment to the Supreme Court of Kenya in 2011, while **Dabbah** was shortlisted for the post of Head of the Israel Competition Authority. **Dignam** has been an International Collaborator on the Vanderbilt Sloan Project, which commenced in 2008. This is a four-year study examining the role of American corporations as an avenue by which U.S. culture, values, business and legal norms/practices, and technology are being spread throughout the world. **Gibson** has been appointed by the European Commission DG-Research-Appointment to its Expert Committee on Knowledge Transfer, and in 2013 she co-authored a report on The Impact of Lookalikes for the Intellectual Property Office. Since 2004, **McConville** has had a strategic partnership with Trinity College Dublin in his work on Irish Political Prisoners and the Irish Peace Process. **Ashcroft** is a Trustee and Governor of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy, a member of the ethics of research and public involvement committee of the Medical Research Council and a member of Tobacco Advisory Group of the Royal College of Physicians.

2. Editorships

In line with our research strategy to promote research around units of research we have members that are leading journals (and book series) in special areas/fields.

Staff members contribute to journal editorship. Guild is co-editor of European Journal of Migration and Law and of the Martinus Nijhoff book series Asylum Law and Policy in Europe. She also serves on the editorial board of International Political Sociology. Hörnle is managing editor of the International Journal of Law and Information Technology; Mendez has been current survey editor of Public Law since 2010. Barmes is joint recent cases editor of the Industrial Law Journal. Dignam is European editor of the Company and Securities Law Journal and Drahos is the General Editor of the Ashgate Series on Globalization and Law and Fletcher is Co-ordinating Editor of Feminist Legal Studies. Staff members are on the editorial boards of many leading journals, including: Journal of Law and Society (Alldridge, Cotterrell); International Journal of Law in Context (Cotterrell); Journal of Comparative Law (Cotterrell); International Journal of Human Rights (Heinze), International Journal of Law and Information Technology (Millard); Public Law (Mendez); Cultures et Conflits (Mitsilegas), New Journal of European Criminal Law (Mitsilegas) and Crossings: Journal of Migration and Culture (Mitsilegas); Journal of Banking Law and Regulation (Olivares-Caminal); Medical Law Review (Ashcroft); Industrial Law Journal (Barmes); Journal of International Economic Law (Lastra); Journal of Financial Economic Policy (Lastra); Journal of Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Law (Shah); International Community Law Review (Okowa); Journal of Media Law (Griffiths); Oxford Journal of Law and Information Technology (Reed); Arbitration International (Mistelis); Journal of International Dispute Settlement (Mistelis).

In addition, **Shah** is the series editor of Ashgate's book series *Cultural Diversity and Law* **and Mistelis** is the series editor the OUP Arbitration Book Series. Okowa and Fitzmaurice edit the *Queen Mary Studies in International Law* series. **Mitsilegas** is on the editorial advisory board of Palgrave MacMillan's *Transnational Crime, Crime Control and Security* book series and **Ashcroft** is on the editorial board of Cambridge University Press's book series on Medical Law and Ethics.

3. Fellowships

Staff within the School have held a number of prestigious research fellowships during the assessment period. **Cotterrell** has been a Fellow of the British Academy since 2005. **Van Bueren** and **Ormerod** were appointed QC (*honoris causa*) in 2013. **Ormerod** has been seconded to the Law Commission. **Leal-Arcas** is Senior Research Fellow at the World Trade Institute, Bern. **Okowa** and **Drahos** have held Hauser Global Visiting Professorships at New York University School of Law. **Shah** is an associate research fellow at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. **Ashcroft** is a Fellow of the Society of Biologists. **Malleson** was elected academic bencher of the Middle Temple in 2009. **Del Mar** also elected Academic Fellow of the Inner Temple. **Rogers** is the Rapporteur of the US Restatement (Third) on Arbitration.