

LAW

A highly diverse but competitive career choice

Are YOU...?

- ✓ organised, accurate and methodical?
- ✓ a great communicator?
- ✓ comfortable working independently and within a team?
- ✓ able to remain calm under pressure?
- ✓ a logical thinker?
- ✓ a trustworthy professional?

Do YOU like...?

- ✓ working to deadlines?
- ✓ speaking in public?
- ✓ problem solving?
- ✓ reading?

...then this **COULD BE YOU!**

Learn another **LANGUAGE**
to improve your communication
and research skills

How?

Think about:

- ✓ Gaining work experience e.g. in a local Magistrates' Court or Solicitor's office
- ✓ Getting excellent GCSEs and achieving 3 high-grade A Levels – a lot of courses currently ask for at least 3 A's
- ✓ Studying for a degree in Law followed by specialist training to become a Solicitor or Barrister etc.
- ✓ Reading widely including legal journals
- ✓ Studying Law with a Foreign Language - this will help you to develop another skill and will teach you about the law abroad
- ✓ Having interests outside of Law – firms want well-rounded individuals who can relate to clients

Think Languages:

"It goes down so well when clients and offices are communicating in their first language rather than English always having to be the common denominator. Languages show someone has communication skills."

- Matthew Gough, Partner at Eversheds LLP
Law Firm

Want to know more?

Check these out:

Advice –

- The Law Society www.lawsociety.org.uk
- Government Legal Service www.gls.gov.uk
- The Law Centres Networks www.lawcentres.org.uk

Advice on the next step –

- www.ucas.com
- www.careerswales.com

Advice on languages –

- www.ciltcymru.org.uk
- www.routesintolanguages.ac.uk/cymru
- www.studyinglanguages.ac.uk
- www.languageswork.org.uk
- www.whystudylanguages.ac.uk
- www.europa.eu/languages
- *Check out the European Commission's website for opportunities to work and study abroad:*
http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/languages_en.htm