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OVERVIEW

DIFC Academy presents the 7th edition of Certificate in DIFC Courts Procedures module as part of the DIFC Laws Certificate programme specifically designed to meet the needs of today's civil law lawyers, DIFC Courts practitioners, Emirati advocates, In-house counsels and other professionals seeking to gain better understanding of and developing their familiarity with DIFC Courts procedures. It comprises of 11 topics that will be taught in collaboration with leading common law practitioners in the DIFC.

DIFC Laws & Courts Procedure

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Developed and delivered by
DIFC Legal Practitioners

Who Should Attend:

This certificate is ideal for Emirati and expatriate lawyers, legal advisors and consultants, in addition to civil and common law practitioners who seek better understanding of the procedures of the DIFC Courts.

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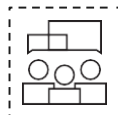
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Mode of Delivery:

The course will be delivered through a blend of online, hybrid and in-person* sessions.

*The in-person sessions will be broadcasted live through MS Teams.



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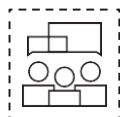


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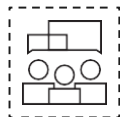


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DIFC LAWS SESSIONS



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Zargona Fazal

Partner
Hadeef & Partners



SCHEDULE

WEEK 1

Tuesday
6 May 2025
5:00 – 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (1 of 11)

Introduction to the DIFC Courts

Ayesha Bin Kalban
Registrar, DIFC Courts

Wednesday
7 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (2 of 11)

Commencing a Claim

Patrick Dillon-Malone
Partner, Clyde & Co.

WEEK 2

Tuesday
13 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (3 of 11)

Disputing Jurisdiction

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Wednesday
14 May 2025
5:00 – 6:30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (4 of 11)

Early Disposal of Claims

Patrick Dillon-Malone
Partner, Clyde & Co



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SCHEDULE:

WEEK 3

Tuesday
20 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (5 of 11)

Case Management

Zarghona Fazal
Partner, Hadeef & Partners

Wednesday
21 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (6 of 11)

Evidence

Bushra Ahmed
Partners, KBH

WEEK 4

Monday
26 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (7 of 11)

Interim Remedies

Philip Punwar
Partner, Outer Temple Chambers

Tuesday
27 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (8 of 11)

Preparations for Trial

Gregor Hogan
Barrister, Serle Court



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SCHEDULE:

Wednesday
28 May 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (9 of 11)

Costs

Zoe O'Sullivan KC
Barrister; Serle Court

WEEK 5

Tuesday
10 June 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (10 of 11)

Appeals

Rupert Reed KC and Gregor Hogan
Barristers; Serle Court

Wednesday
11 June 2025
5:00 - 6.30 PM

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Unit 2.1 DIFC Laws and Procedures (11 of 11)

Enforcement

Zoe O'Sullivan KC and Max Marenbon
Barristers; Serle Court

WEEK 6

Wednesday
18 June 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.2 DIFC Insolvency Law

Ben Jones
Partner, Simmons & Simmons LLP



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SCHEDULE:

Monday 23 Jun 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.3 DIFC Contract Law

Philip Punwar
Barrister, Outer Temple Chambers

WEEK 7

Tuesday
1 Jul 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.4 DIFC Data Protection Law

Lori Baker
VP- Legal and Director of Data Protection,
DIFC Authority

Wednesday
2 Jul 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.5 DIFC Employment Law

Thenji Moyo
Legal Director & Head of Employment,
Gateley UK LLP

WEEK 9

Tuesday 8 Jul 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.6 DIFC Trust and Foundations Law

David Russell, KC
Barrister, Outer Temple Chambers



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SCHEDULE:

Wednesday
9 Jul 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.7 DIFC Arbitration Law

Sarah Malik
Founder and CEO, SOL International

WEEK 10

Tuesday, 15 Jul 2025
5:00 - 7.00 PM

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Unit 2.8 DIFC Companies Law

Daniel Partovi
Partner, Jones Day

AWARDING CEREMONY

Wednesday
26 November 2025
9.00 AM - 12.00 NN

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Participants are required to meet the minimum requirement of 65% attendance of the course components they have enrolled in, to be eligible for receiving the Certificate of Completion at this awarding ceremony

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