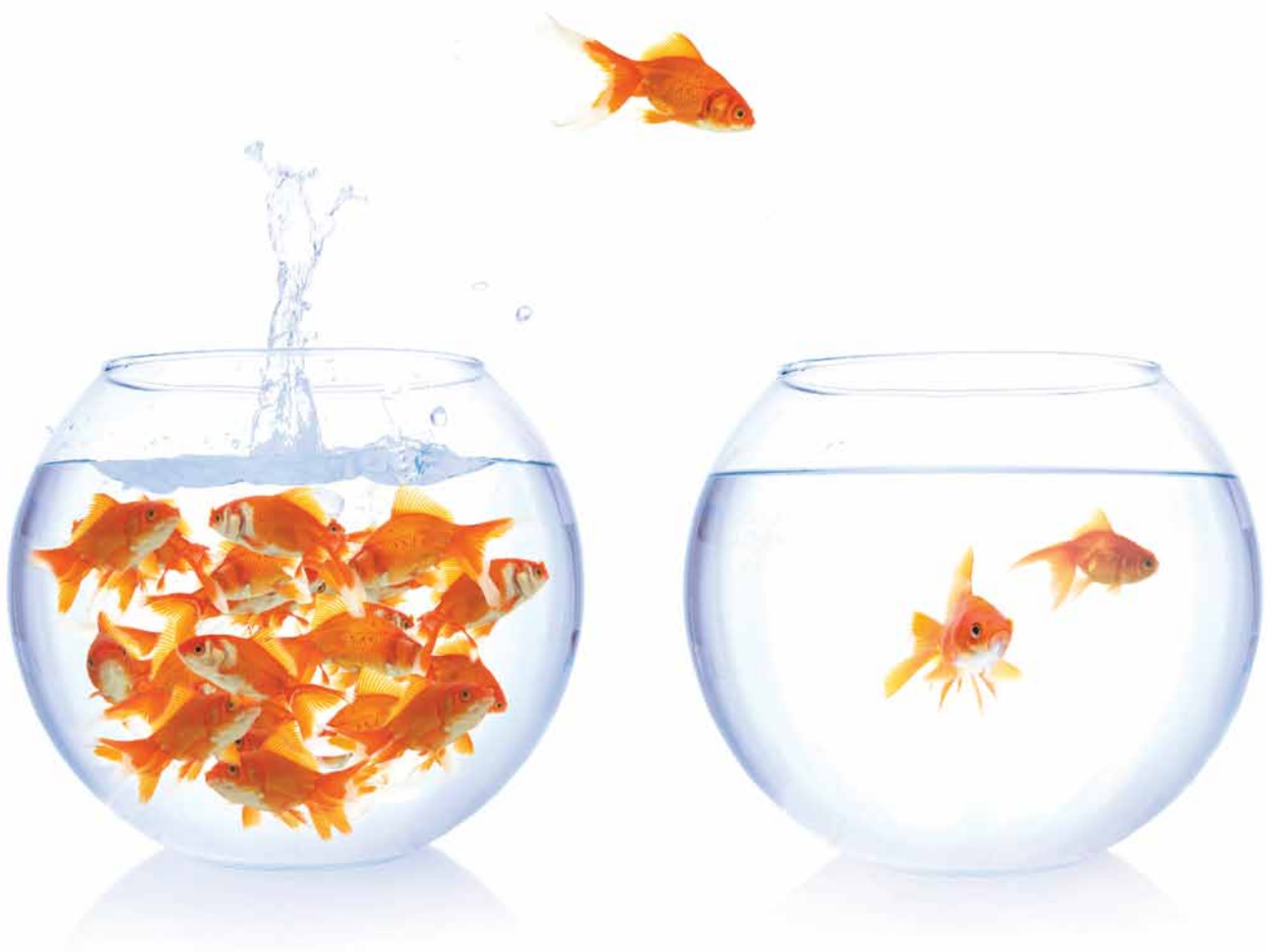


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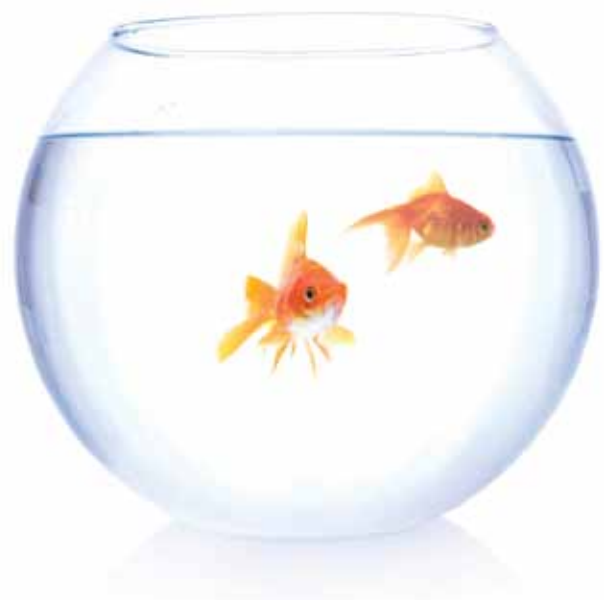
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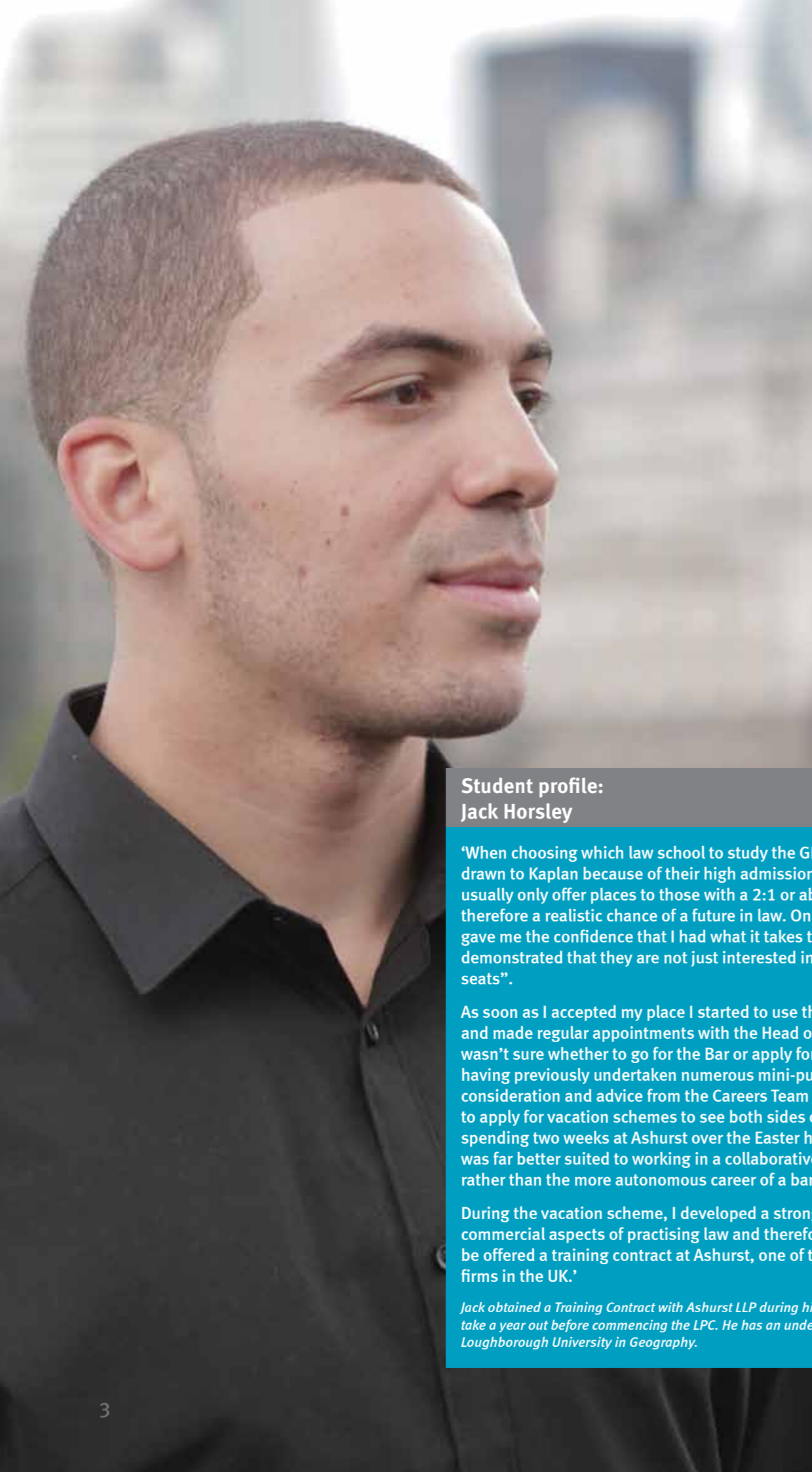
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one ABOUT US

**Student profile:
Jack Horsley**

“When choosing which law school to study the GDL, I was immediately drawn to Kaplan because of their high admissions criteria – they usually only offer places to those with a 2:1 or above and who have therefore a realistic chance of a future in law. On one hand this gave me the confidence that I had what it takes to succeed, but also demonstrated that they are not just interested in getting “bums on seats”.

As soon as I accepted my place I started to use the Careers Service and made regular appointments with the Head of Careers. At first I wasn’t sure whether to go for the Bar or apply for training contracts, having previously undertaken numerous mini-pupillages. After careful consideration and advice from the Careers Team at Kaplan, I decided to apply for vacation schemes to see both sides of the coin. After spending two weeks at Ashurst over the Easter holidays, I realised I was far better suited to working in a collaborative team environment rather than the more autonomous career of a barrister.

During the vacation scheme, I developed a strong interest in the more commercial aspects of practising law and therefore was delighted to be offered a training contract at Ashurst, one of the leading corporate firms in the UK.’

Jack obtained a Training Contract with Ashurst LLP during his GDL year and will take a year out before commencing the LPC. He has an undergraduate degree from Loughborough University in Geography.

WE MAKE SURE THAT THOSE TO WHOM WE OFFER A PLACE HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE CHANCES OF BECOMING A LAWYER. OUR SELECTION PROCESS, CAREERS SUPPORT AND TRAINING HAS ONE GOAL: TO ENSURE ALL OUR STUDENTS SUCCEED IN ACHIEVING THEIR CAREER AMBITIONS.

**THERE ARE LOTS OF LAW SCHOOLS IN LONDON;
SO WHY CHOOSE US?**

Our selection process

We make sure that those to whom we offer a place have the best possible chance of becoming a lawyer. Our strict admissions criteria (over 95% of our students have achieved a 2:1 or higher), careers support and training has one goal: to ensure our students succeed in achieving their career ambitions.

Our careers support

We know our students individually. We have a very high ratio of specialist careers advisors to students. They will proactively assist you to perfect your CV, applications and interview technique. It is tough getting a training contract or pupillage; we take this very seriously and are determined to help you succeed.

Our training

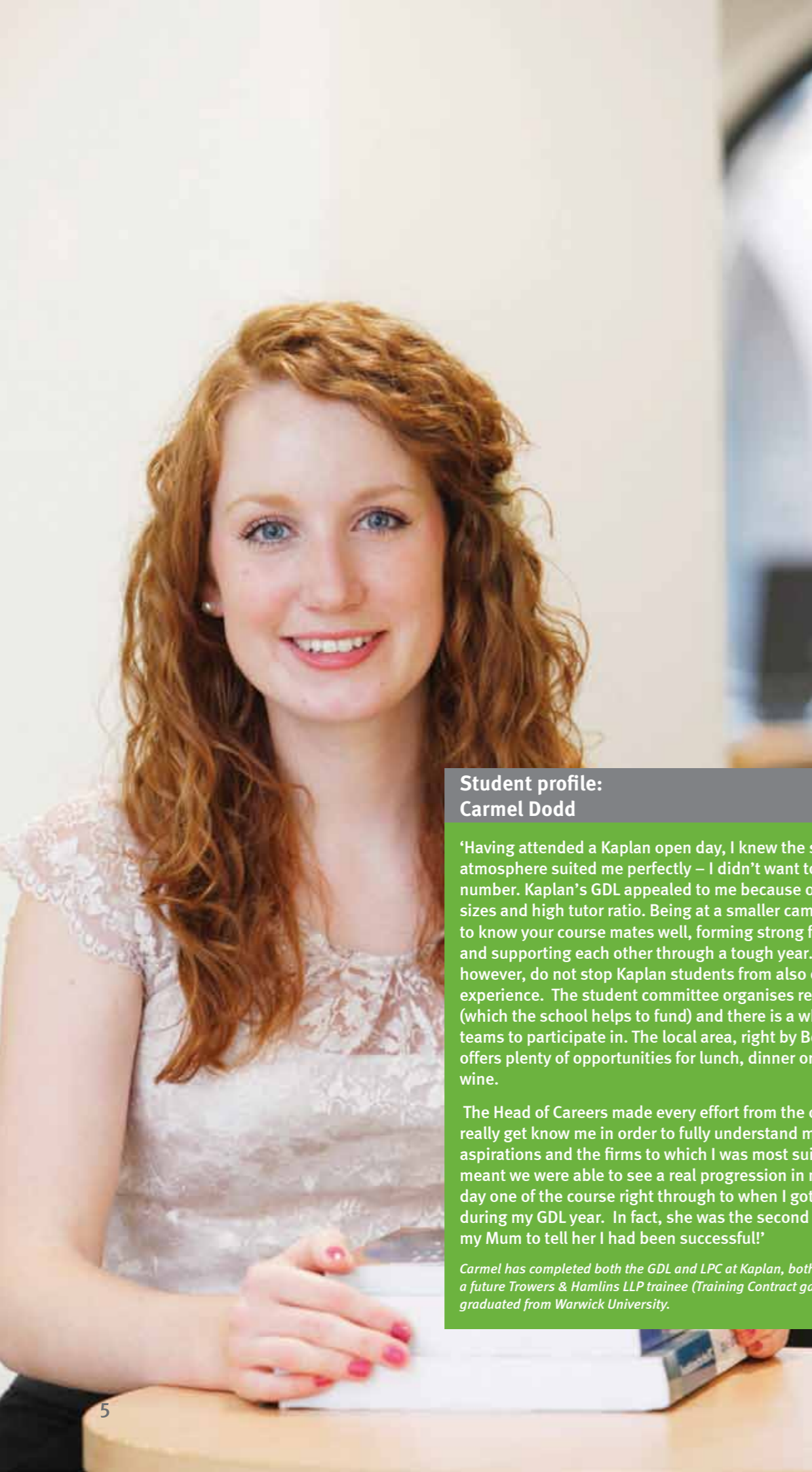
We provide leading courses at our London Bridge campus. Kaplan Law School has achieved the highest ratings from the Solicitors Regulation Authority and has also secured a number of exclusive training deals with leading law firms.

Our tutors are all qualified solicitors or barristers with a proven record in practice and legal education. They work in close collaboration with practitioners from both firms and Chambers to ensure the delivery of a consistently excellent student experience.



‘Although the course was demanding, I did find the challenge and intellectual rigour very satisfying. What made it most enjoyable was the spirit of camaraderie amongst the cohort and the relationship you develop with your tutors and other staff, who are professional yet personable and willing to help.’

Neeva Bhattacharjee, LPC Graduate July 2011, future Trowers & Hamlins LLP trainee



two OUR COURSES

Student profile: Carmel Dodd

'Having attended a Kaplan open day, I knew the small size and friendly atmosphere suited me perfectly – I didn't want to feel just like another number. Kaplan's GDL appealed to me because of their small class sizes and high tutor ratio. Being at a smaller campus means you get to know your course mates well, forming strong friendship networks and supporting each other through a tough year. The intense courses, however, do not stop Kaplan students from also enjoying the student experience. The student committee organises regular social events (which the school helps to fund) and there is a whole range of sports teams to participate in. The local area, right by Borough Market, also offers plenty of opportunities for lunch, dinner or a nice Friday glass of wine.

The Head of Careers made every effort from the outset to get to really get know me in order to fully understand my achievements, my aspirations and the firms to which I was most suited. This consistency meant we were able to see a real progression in my applications from day one of the course right through to when I got my training contract during my GDL year. In fact, she was the second person I called after my Mum to tell her I had been successful!

Carmel has completed both the GDL and LPC at Kaplan, both with Distinctions. She is a future Trowers & Hamlins LLP trainee (Training Contract gained during GDL year) and graduated from Warwick University.

ALL OF OUR COURSES HAVE BEEN DESIGNED BY PRACTITIONERS AND LEADING ACADEMICS TO HELP YOU BECOME THE BEST LAWYER YOU CAN BE. WE DELIVER THE HIGHLY ACCLAIMED COURSES IN THE HEART OF LONDON.

OUR COURSES

GDL: Graduate Diploma in Law (full time)

This one-year intensive course is designed for any non-law graduate who intends to become a solicitor or barrister in England and Wales. We place great emphasis on the high academic standards of our course. We deliver Nottingham Law School's GOL which places the academic subjects into a work-related context so students are more prepared for practice. All students who successfully complete the GDL will be guaranteed a place on the Kaplan Law School LPC. Face-to-face tuition is a priority and the course is taught through interactive small group sessions of 10 to 14 students, as well as small lecture groups.

LPC: Legal Practice Course (full time)

Kaplan Law School offers rigorous, professional standards of course delivery. Our pass rates are excellent. Our teaching model is based around smaller group sizes, with a maximum of 18, which helps accelerate student learning and understanding, as well as giving our tutors more contact time with each student.

BPTC: Bar Professional Training Course (full time)

This skills-based course is designed by Nottingham Law School to equip those intent on becoming barristers. Places are limited to 120. Teaching takes place in groups of either 6 or 12. Students work through seven 'briefs' (instructions to a barrister), learning the skills of a barrister. Group work forms a focal point of the course with students carrying out practical tasks and exercises.

For more information on each of these courses, please refer to the inserts at the back of this brochure.



'We have been very impressed with the LPC on offer at Kaplan. Our future trainees have told us that they felt well supported in a friendly, yet professional environment. Due to the smaller group sizes, future trainees were able to interact with the tutors on a one-on-one basis.'

Lynne Walters, Head of Graduate and Trainee Management at Bird & Bird LLP



three OUR EVENTS

Student profile:
Neal Pal

'When I decided to transition to a legal career, I realised it was vital to select a law school that would maximise my chances of securing a training contract. After attending open days and talking to existing students at various schools, it quickly became clear that Kaplan Law School was the all-round number one choice for the aspiring solicitor.

The teaching excellence was confirmed in my mind by not only the impressive number of LPC exclusive provider relationships that Kaplan has established in the short time since the school's founding, but also the range of the firms themselves, from specialists in insurance and shipping (including my future employer) to major US firms.

Ultimately the deciding factor in my choice of law school was the commitment, experience and availability of Kaplan's careers team. The school's Careers Head had previously worked in graduate recruitment at major City law firms and so fully understood what law firms identify in successful candidates. Further, the small intake of students ensured that the careers staff was always accessible when I wanted advice. Indeed, I was able to attend Kaplan's career events, including one in which recruiters from law firms discussed each student's CV, even before I had accepted a place on the GDL. This typifies why Kaplan is unlike other law schools – so much is geared towards helping the student gain a training contract, rather than simply complete the course.'

Neal is starting the GDL in September 2011 and secured his training contract with Clyde & Co LLP in the summer of 2011. Neal graduated from Cambridge University with a degree in History.

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WE BELIEVE THAT THE BEST WAY THAT YOU CAN TRULY GET TO KNOW US AND UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL AND OTHER PROVIDERS IS BY VISITING US AND TALKING TO OUR CURRENT STUDENTS, TUTORS AND STAFF.

OUR EVENTS

Open days

Visit Kaplan Law School for a full programme of events, including the opportunity to chat informally to our current students, our tutors and key support staff. You will take part in a mock seminar to give you a taste of our active teaching style.

Guided tours

If you would like a one-to-one guided tour at a time to suit you, please contact us. We will show you around Kaplan Law School, introduce you to current students and tutors and answer any questions you may have.

Open careers programme

We run a full and active careers programme which is open to prospective and existing students, as well as alumni. This is an excellent way for you to learn more about us as well as the profession. For further information and to sign up to an event, please see the enclosed insert at the back of this brochure.

Careers day

We hold three careers days each year. The programme includes workshops regarding application skills, presenting skills and how to make a positive impact on key recruitment personnel. It is hosted by our Head of Careers and Graduate Recruitment Managers from a variety of law firms. We also hold a mini law fair with representatives from a number of leading law firms, allowing you to demonstrate those skills developed earlier in the day. In addition you will have the opportunity for a one-to-one consultation with one of our Careers Team to gain bespoke advice relating to your career aspirations.

Summer school

Designed for both law and non-law backgrounds, our intensive two-day programme will enhance your commercial awareness and provide an insight into commercial transactions. You will practise and receive feedback on legal skills such as negotiation, research, drafting, presenting and legal writing.

Socials and societies

We have a variety of socials throughout the year, organised both by us and the student body. In the past year this has included an autumn boat cruise, Christmas party, summer barbecue and the Annual Law School Ball in June.

There are a number of societies at Kaplan Law School, including the Debating and Mooting Society and various sports clubs such as badminton, tennis and football. Along with Nottingham Law School, we host a ski trip in the Easter holidays.

For further information about any of our events please contact our admissions team:

020 7367 6455

admissions@kaplanlawschool.org.uk

'Kaplan's summer school provided real insight into the skills required of a trainee. Activities focused on key areas such as interview, negotiation and presentation skills. As a GDL candidate in the process of applying for training contracts, attending the school was an invaluable experience.'

Adrian Kirwan, University of Cambridge graduate

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**Student profile:
Neeva Bhattacharjee**

'Kaplan's exceptional Careers Service really sets the school apart from others. As well as personal advice, students at Kaplan are given many opportunities to meet graduate recruiters: over the course of the year I attended several workshops delivered by law firms including some which helped prepare me for assessment days. The Careers Service is also innovative; I attended a very useful workshop entitled "Communicating with Confidence and Impact".

I have now obtained a training contract with Trowers & Hamlins; a firm that I really wanted to work for. I had applied to the firm before starting the GDL and didn't even get through the initial application stage, yet with guidance from the Careers Service I got through to the end of the recruitment process successfully'.

Neeva has completed both the GDL and LPC at Kaplan, gaining Distinctions in both. She gained a Training Contract with Trowers & Hamlins LLP during her GDL year.

KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL'S CAREERS SERVICE IS AVAILABLE TO YOU FROM THE DAY YOU ACCEPT YOUR PLACE WITH US, UNTIL ONE YEAR AFTER YOUR COURSE ENDS. OUR AIM IS TO BE PROACTIVE IN HELPING YOU GET THE TRAINING CONTRACT OR PUPILLAGE THAT YOU WANT.

OUR CAREERS SERVICE

Our Head of Careers worked as a Graduate Recruitment & Development Manager in two leading City firms and maintains strong links with the profession. Our Bar Careers Advisor worked for many years as a specialist legal careers advisor in a top university.

Between them, our team have reviewed many thousands of applications and interviews and have supervised assessment centres. They really do know what law firms and chambers are looking for and how you can make your application stand out... for the right reasons!

The Careers Service is very hands-on and reflects Kaplan Law School's inclusive culture. Rather than giving remote, generic advice, we will sit down with you and gain a real understanding of your background and achievements and discuss how these can be presented in the most positive way in any application. Practical advice is given, enabling you to formulate your own career plan and strategy.

We provide you with individual guidance throughout the year. Some students make weekly or fortnightly appointments – it is up to you how often you take advantage of this invaluable service!

Once you get through to that all-important interview or assessment centre, we provide training on interview skills and techniques, as well as workshops in other key areas, such as negotiation skills and group exercises. We also run mock interviews which are specific to the firm or chambers to which you have applied. We do not offer generic mock interviews or careers advice; we tailor our guidance to your unique requirements.



We e-mail students with job vacancies, updates on the profession and opportunities to meet qualified professionals (Open Days, Law Fairs, etc).

Other than bespoke advice, the Careers Service has a full Programme of Events each year. Details can be found in the insert at the back of the brochure or by contacting our **Admissions Team** on **020 7367 6455**.

Kaplan Careers Clinic

This unique free resource is open to all undergraduates/graduates who are considering a career in law. By joining the scheme, you will receive helpful information to enable you to make the decision as to whether this is the profession for you, as well as bespoke advice from a Kaplan Careers Advisor regarding the next steps to take in pursuit of a career in law.

Other benefits include:

- One on one CV/training contract application review sessions with our Careers Team;
- Mock interviews and feedback sessions;
- Invitations to exclusive Kaplan events with leading law firms where you will have the opportunity to network with Graduate Recruiters from leading law firms;
- Opportunities to attend workshops such as 'How to Network' and 'Commercial Awareness';
- The chance to participate in the Kaplan Legal Advice Clinic to gain pro bono experience;
- Regular updates about the legal sector and current job opportunities; and many more!

To join the scheme or ask any questions please email m.wall@kaplanlawschool.org.uk. Please note that due to high demand, we are not able to offer memberships to students who are already studying or have completed the LPC at another institution.



five PROFESSIONAL LINKS

**Student profile:
Rebekah Gogarty**

'Having secured my training contract at Bird & Bird, I enjoyed being able to get to know all of the other future trainees from my intake and we formed a strong bond quickly. Although nearly all classes are mixed I did get the chance to work with the other Bird & Bird students on the Bridge To Practice programme which Kaplan run, a series of short modules timetabled when the workload on the LPC is lighter, some of which take place at the firm and all designed to get you ready for day one of your training contract.

Having completed the Bridge To Practice, I now feel a more prepared for when I start training. Simple things such as knowing where the library is, what is normal attire for the firm and who some of my colleagues are will certainly make me feel more confident. Having a strong firm presence at the law school has been valuable to keeping up to date with goings on at the firm; they often popped in informally in the common room area to chat to us or organised social functions at the office or nearby bar throughout the year.'

Rebekah completed the Kaplan Law School LPC with a Commendation in July 2011 and will begin her training contract with Bird & Bird LLP in September 2012. Rebekah has an undergraduate degree in Modern Foreign Languages (French and Spanish) from Durham University.

LEADING LAW FIRMS HAVE FORMED EXCLUSIVE PARTNERSHIPS WITH KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL AS THEY BELIEVE WE PROVIDE THE BEST TRAINING AND OVERALL EXPERIENCE FOR THEIR FUTURE TRAINEES. THE BAR AND JUDICIARY ARE INVOLVED AT THE VERY HEART OF OUR TEACHING PROGRAMME.

OUR PARTNER LAW FIRMS AND LINKS TO THE BAR

Law firms

We work with firms to deliver practical modules that are tailored to the needs of their trainees. We facilitate the transition from student to confident lawyer, making you ready for the first day of your training contract. We do this by introducing you to the firm, its people and culture.

At the time of going to press, the firms that choose to send their trainees to us are:

- Bates Wells & Braithwaite LLP
- Bird & Bird LLP
- Farrer & Co LLP
- Field Fisher Waterhouse LLP
- Holman Fenwick Willan LLP
- Ince & Co
- Manches LLP
- Mayer Brown International LLP
- Mills & Reeve LLP
- Nabarro LLP
- Penningtons Solicitors LLP
- PwC Legal
- Shearman & Sterling (London) LLP
- Trowers & Hamlins LLP

Links to the Bar

Over 60 barristers, QCs and judges volunteer to help with the BPTC at Kaplan Law School. They design teaching materials, give guest lectures, judge moots and attend social events. These excellent links to the Bar ensure that our teaching materials are up-to-date and that you have every opportunity to meet and mix with the profession.

Bridge To Practice

We have introduced The Bridge to Practice (B2P) Programme for our client-sponsored students. The B2P is an overarching umbrella programme which has been designed to complement and enhance your learning on the LPC. We have worked closely with our client firms and also consulted with trainees about what they felt we could introduce into the LPC to help students adjust in the early months of a training contract. The result is a range of simulated practice modules, which engage you in realistic and real-time tasks in small 'law firm' teams (usually in groups of four) and enable you to take your learning on the LPC to a higher level. Feedback is given on completion of the tasks by tutors acting as law firm supervisors.

'Farrer & Co is a firm driven by a commitment to recruit and develop its people to be experts in their fields. To achieve this, we need to work with a law school that understands the importance of our goal and is able to deliver excellence in everything it offers.'

We have always been impressed by the focus on quality and flexibility that comes through in all of our work with Kaplan. We enjoy working with a training partner who is as fresh in their thinking as Kaplan, who always have one eye to the future of legal training and one to the profession as a whole.

We see our relationship with Kaplan as an essential part of enabling our trainees to provide the quality of service that our clients expect from day one.'

David Ball, Head of Learning and Development, Farrer & Co





six PRO BONO

Student profile: Michael Smart

'After signing up to Kaplan's Pro Bono Programme, I became the co-ordinator for the Thames Magistrates' Court programme. This is quite an amazing activity where we, as students, are able to represent people in court on council tax matters. We actually get to represent people before a district judge and try to keep them out of prison!

I also took part in Amicus at the beginning of the year with some other Kaplan students. We got sent off for two weekends of training (which Kaplan paid for) that allowed us to become caseworkers. It is a great opportunity to get involved in a charity that allows students to assist with preventing executions on death row in the US and one I would recommend. Both experiences were extremely valuable in developing me as a person, whilst also bolstering my CV.'

Michael completed both the GDL and LPC at Kaplan, gaining a Commendation and Distinction respectively. He secured a Training Contract with Nabarro during his GDL year. He studied Politics at Loughborough University.

THE PRO BONO ACTIVITIES OFFERED AT KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL ENHANCE YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE AND ASSIST STUDENTS IN DEVELOPING THE PRACTICAL LEGAL SKILLS WHICH YOU WILL REQUIRE ONCE YOU BEGIN YOUR PROFESSIONAL CAREER.

OUR PRO BONO PROGRAMME

Kaplan Legal Advice Centre

The cornerstone of the Pro Bono Programme at Kaplan Law School is the Kaplan Legal Advice Centre. Students who volunteer at the Advice Centre have the opportunity to provide legal advice to members of the public, many of whom would not otherwise have access to legal representation. You will have the opportunity to develop highly valuable transferable skills including legal drafting, file management and client management whilst working under the supervision of a qualified solicitor.

Other pro bono activities available to you are listed on this page. These programmes are highly popular as they provide you with valuable networking opportunities with leading law firms. We ensure that as many students as possible have the opportunity to get involved in pro bono work.

Thames Magistrates' Court

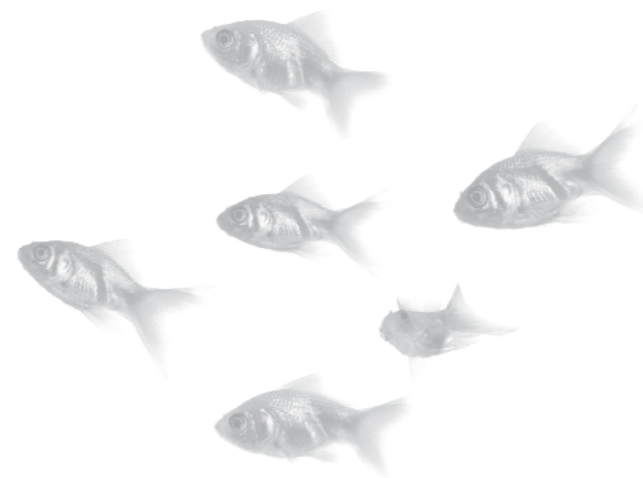
Our students have the opportunity to train as McKenzie Friends and represent people in a Magistrates' Court on council tax cases. After initial training, our students interview clients to assess their situation, negotiate with the relevant council to resolve the issue, and if necessary, represent the client in court.

Nabarro LLP Legal Advice Clinic at St. Luke's

Our students are given the opportunity to be involved in the triage and client management of Nabarro's Legal Advice Clinic. Each week our students contact the clients attending the Clinic and help them to ensure that they have all the materials necessary. They also take more detailed notes of the problem that the client is facing in order to aid the solicitors and allow the clinic to run more efficiently.

Streetlaw/Legal Literacy

We are linked with Morpeth School, a secondary school in Tower Hamlets. Following a training session, students are able to volunteer to attend these legal awareness sessions. The students of Morpeth School are very receptive to our students and are very curious about why they chose to study law and what it entails. In groups the Morpeth students all discuss areas of law relevant to them and try to develop a school charter for rules they would like to see modified or introduced.





seven SCHOLARSHIPS AND FEES

Student profile: Lucas Griffith Wilkin

'Funding the GDL and LPC can be a real cause for concern but when I saw Kaplan offered such an extensive scholarship programme (eleven for each course), I was impressed! Having already completed the GDL at another provider I knew that funding the LPC would be tough, so I was extremely pleased when I was awarded one of the Kaplan LPC Scholarships. It's not just the financial benefit though as it has helped boost my confidence; knowing that I have already succeeded through this rigorous process makes me believe I stand a good chance at succeeding in the legal profession.'

I took a year off after finishing the GDL to gain valuable work experience and got to know Kaplan through their careers programme which is open to external students. The events were not only informative but facilitated introductions to Graduate Recruiters and Partners at the various law firms who came in to present, most usually during an informal drink afterwards. It was at these events that I met the Kaplan Careers Manager who offered to sit down with me and go through some past applications I had made. She took the time to show me where I was going wrong and make suggested improvements. I am now looking forward to starting the LPC and hopefully obtaining a training contract in the year ahead.'

Lucas has an undergraduate degree in Classics from Exeter University and is due to start the Kaplan Law School LPC in September 2011.

WE OFFER A WIDE VARIETY OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO THOSE WE BELIEVE ARE PARTICULARLY STRONG CANDIDATES.

OUR SCHOLARSHIPS AND COURSE FEES

All GDL, LPC (who are not sponsored by a firm) and BPTC applicants who are shortlisted to attend at BPTC Selection Event will be invited to apply for a Kaplan Law School Scholarship.

GDL Pro Bono Scholarship

- Number available: one
- Fee reduction: 50%

Awarded to the person who can demonstrate a proven track record in organising and leading effective pro bono or other voluntary (either legal or non-legal) activity.

GDL Scholarship

- Number available: ten
- Fee reduction: £1500

Awarded to those who demonstrate a particularly strong potential for succeeding in the legal profession.

LPC Pro Bono Scholarship

- Number available: one
- Fee reduction: 50%

Awarded to the person who can demonstrate a proven track record in organising and leading effective pro bono or other voluntary (either legal or non-legal) activity.

LPC Scholarship

- Number available: ten
- Fee reduction: £2000

Awarded to those who demonstrate a particularly strong potential for succeeding in the legal profession.

BPTC Master/Mistress of Moots Scholarship

- Number available: one
- Fee reduction: 50%

Awarded to the person who can demonstrate a proven track record in organising and leading to success student activity in mooting, debating or advocacy.

BPTC Advocacy Scholarship

- Number available: ten
- Fee reduction: £2000

Awarded to those with a proven track record as an advocate by way of debating, mooting, public speaking, speaking at work and so on.

Course fees

Full details of course fees are contained in the insert at the back of this prospectus and can be obtained from our website or by phoning our Admissions Team (phone number and website address are at the bottom of the page).

Funding your course

We appreciate that everyone deals with their finances differently and we therefore offer you a number of ways to pay your course fees; none of which incur additional charges:

- upfront – full course fees can be paid on or before enrolment day by cash, cheque, credit/debit card or bank transfer
- three instalments – three equal payments can be made on the first day of each term by cash, cheque or bank transfer
- by nine direct debits

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WE'RE LOCATED AT LONDON BRIDGE ON THE RIVER THAMES – DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM THE CITY OF LONDON

OUR LOCATION AND CAMPUS

Where are we?

We are situated at the heart of the South Bank on the River Thames. This is a great area with so much to offer, such as Borough Market, Tate Modern and the Globe Theatre, as well as London Bridge's vibrant nightlife.

Transport links

The nearby transport links are excellent. Kaplan Law School is only a couple of minutes' walk from London Bridge mainline and underground stations, as well as a major bus terminal. We are also just a ten minute walk away from the City of London.

Our facilities

Our state of the art lecture theatre is purpose-built to hold 98 students, ensuring the tutor can engage well with all throughout the session. It houses all modern technological facilities, with all lectures filmed and released for revision purposes.

Our Professional Resource Centre includes a superb IT suite with a high ratio of computers to students, giving you access to a variety of online resources such as professional research facilities, as well as our student intranet where you can find course materials and other useful information. Printing and copying facilities are provided free of charge.

The Professional Resource Centre contains all of the practitioner texts and journals that you will need and would be available to you in practice. In addition to this, all text books and course materials are provided to you at the beginning of the course and are included in the course fees.

With views of the Thames and City skyline, our student common room is a great place to relax or work informally. Students can also take advantage of a discounted membership of the nearby Fitness First sports club, just a five minute walk away.



'Kaplan is right next to Borough Market and by the river so there are plenty of places to go for lunch or drinks after college. Also it's only three minutes to London Bridge train/tube station.'

Joe Newton, LPC Graduate July 2010, future Mayer Brown International LLP trainee

nine YOUR FUTURE

Student profile: Danielle Epstein

'I'm looking forward to keeping in touch with my Kaplan peers via the alumni network, which meets at least a couple of times a year at events such as the Christmas party or wine-tasting event, and also at my graduation service that will take place at Southwark Cathedral. The last award conferrer was Sir Michael Parkinson who is Dean of Nottingham Trent University, so I'm very much hoping he will return for my ceremony!

Not only did Kaplan help me with my pursuit of a training contract which I was successful in obtaining during my GDL/LPC year, but the Head of Careers also helped me look for a relevant position to fill the year between the end of my LPC and beginning of my training contract. Not only did I want to do something that would continue to use those practice skills built on the LPC, but after two years of being a student, I am also looking forward to earning some money!

Danielle completed the Kaplan Law School LPC with a Commendation in July 2011 and has an undergraduate degree from Leeds University. She obtained a Training Contract with Seddons during her LPC year.

QUALIFYING WITH KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL PROVIDES THE OPPORTUNITY FOR FURTHER ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS.

YOUR FUTURE WITH KAPLAN LAW SCHOOL

Graduate LLB – Bachelor of Law

If you have a non-law degree and are entering the LPC or BPTC via the GDL route, Nottingham Trent University will award you with a Graduate LLB once you complete your LPC or the BPTC with Kaplan Law School. You do not have to have studied your GDL with Kaplan Law School and no additional study modules are involved.

We believe that the award of this extra LLB degree will enhance your appeal to future employers. We will give you the details of the degree, and the opportunity to enrol for it, within your first few weeks of your LPC here at Kaplan Law School.

Completed the LPC? Secured a training contract? Like Kaplan? What happens next?

You may be interested to learn that our sister company, KAPLAN ALTIOR, is one of the most experienced providers of the SRA's Professional Skills Course in England and Wales.

The Professional Skills Course is the compulsory course which trainees are required to complete during their training contract before they can apply for admission to the Roll.

Kaplan Altior's course is practical, relevant and engaging and available at venues throughout England and Wales. They offer standard and City / commercial versions of the course and run it both at public venues and in house for client firms.

Kaplan Altior also provides the Trainee Litigation Programme for trainees who experience difficulty in satisfying the contentious seat requirement of their training contract, as well as other SRA compulsory schemes such as Management Course stage 1 and stage 2 and Higher Rights of Audience Training and Assessment.

Please mention that you are a past KLS student when you speak to our colleagues at Kaplan Altior as this may entitle you to a loyalty discount.

For further information please email altior@kaplan.co.uk. For enquiries about in house options, please contact Barbara Anderson at Kaplan Altior on 029 2045 1000 or email her at babs.anderson@kaplan.co.uk



'Studying for my GDL at Kaplan has given me more than just a qualification – it has helped me plan for and secure my future career in law. My tutors, with whom I have plenty of contact time, have ensured the shift from undergraduate Classics to Law has been manageable. Also, Kaplan has not only helped me target my applications to a career in law through my studies and Pro Bono work, but has made me feel prepared for life as a commercial solicitor, and, ultimately helped me succeed in securing that prized training contract'

Carmel Dodd, LPC student 2011, future Trowers & Hamblins LLP trainee (Training Contract gained during GDL year)

Lorraine Harris

'I am what many would refer to as a "mature student" and I chose to come to the Bar over twenty years later than most students. I had previously spent a number of years working my way up through the police staff ranks in the Crime Scene Investigation Department, and then, while studying for my law degree part time, I worked in a Funeral Directors; both experiences fuelled my interest in Criminal and Coroner's Law. I was aware that my background was not the norm when compared to most applicants for pupillage and, being mature I was realistic about the potential pitfalls for someone wishing to become a barrister.

I chose Kaplan because I felt they would offer me the most assistance in my achieving my goal. I particularly liked the ethos of the law school. It was evident to me that they were seeking out those students who they felt had the potential succeed. From the very first day the tutors ensured that the students built on that potential.

I liked the fact that Kaplan recognise that barristers must have the ability to interact with a range of people, as such all teaching is face to face, there are no computerised lessons.

The course itself is well structured, working on realistic briefs in both criminal and civil law, to learn the relevant processes. The class sizes were no larger than 12, with advocacy classes no larger than 6. I never left a lesson feeling that I had been overlooked or had not been given an opportunity to receive feedback.

When it came to applying for pupillage I received help from the careers advisor about my curriculum vitae and applications, as well as practical help from the tutors with regard to what chambers expect from candidates.

In addition you are studying with fellow students who have already obtained pupillage and willing to offer assistance and words of advice. I applied for one non-olpas chambers, which I was particularly keen on, and was absolutely delighted when I succeeded in securing pupillage.

I firmly believe that Kaplan doesn't just help you obtain the professional qualification needed for pupillage, they also prepare you for interviews and give you the foundation skills to succeed in obtaining pupillage and ultimately tenancy.'