

JDD 2023 FD COURSES

FINAL DIPLOMA COURSES FOR PEB 2023

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Dates for our 2023 courses

We are holding our Final Diploma (FD) courses for the 2023 Patent Examination Board (PEB) exams between 15 May and 8 August. The intention is to allow attendees ample time to build on and consolidate their learning during the courses, ahead of the exams in October 2023. Course dates are set out overleaf.

Changes this year

Most of this year's FD courses will be held in person in Milton Keynes, but we have some FD1 and FD4 courses that will be delivered remotely using Zoom.

We have retained the team of tutors from last year.

For FD1, we have a variety of options: 2-day in person courses; a 1.5 day Zoom course; and 2-day Zoom courses split into two 1-day parts.

For FD4, we have 2-day in person courses and 2-5 day 'split courses' (one of which is via Zoom), with an introductory day in mid-May/June, 1.5 days in late July and a 2-hour Zoom session in September. These courses are geared towards FD4 first-time sitters.

For FD4 resitters we have a 1.5 day in person course and a 2-day split (via Zoom) course.

All courses are supported by an online Moodle forum.

"The tutors were really great ... very helpful advice specifically directed to passing the exam, which is greatly appreciated".
- FD1 (Goodall & Lee)



FD3 course with Peter Gray and Mark Yeadon

FD1 courses

23F	Advanced IP Law & Practice	Scott Goodall & Ali Lee	27-28 June (1.5 days)	£640+vat (Zoom)
23G			10-11 July	£800+vat
23H			24-25 July (2 days)	(In person)
23I	Advanced IP Law & Practice	Gareth Scaddan & Sophie Slater	6-7 July (2 days)	£640+vat (Zoom)
23J		Gareth Scaddan & Dan Mercer	20-21 July (2 days)	£740+vat (In person)
23K	Advanced IP Law & Practice	Andy Caulfield	7 July [Pt 1]	£600+vat
23L			28 July [Pt 2]	(Zoom-based)
			14 July [Pt 1]	
			4 August [Pt 2]	
			(2 days)	

The in person course fee includes 1 night's accommodation at the training venue in Milton Keynes, along with meals. If this is not required, the course fee is reduced by £100+vat. Fees for the Lee/Goodall & Caulfield courses include tutors' review of a script post-course.

Course features

Each course includes discussion of key parts of the law relevant to FD1.

Handout sheets are provided on exam technique, formalities deadlines, designs and groundless threats.

During the course, there is practice of short and longer-form exam questions, with tutor feedback.

For the Goodall/Lee and Caulfield courses, you will be asked to answer a recent past paper after the course and for the Scaddan courses look at specific areas of the law ahead of the course.

Before and after the courses, you will be connected with other course members through an online Moodle resources and discussion forum.

“Scott and Ali were excellent, providing individualized feedback while keeping the whole group engaged.”
-FD1 (Lee/Goodall)

“Great tutors— uncomplicated and articulate advice”.
-FD1 (Scaddan/Slater)

“I like the split nature of the course - it helps things sink in”.
-FD1 (Caulfield)



FD1course with Scott Goodall and Ali Lee

FD2 & FD3 courses

23M	Drafting of	Julian Potter &	12-13 July	£700+vat
FD2	Specifications	TBC	(1.5 days)	(In person)
23W			13-14 July	£700+vat
23N	Amendment of	Peter Gray &	13-14 July	£700+vat
FD3	Specifications	Mark Yeadon	(1.5 days)	(In person)
23X			12-13 July	£700+vat

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Course features

Each course includes practice of a past paper which you are asked to submit an answer to ahead of (or, in some cases, after) the course. You will receive feedback on your answer at or after the course.

Handout slides are provided, covering how to approach the paper and exam technique.

During the FD2 course, there are practice exercises on drafting (using past paper questions), with real-time feedback from the tutors on your attempts.

During the FD3 course, you will break into groups and will analyse and answer recent past papers.

Before and after the courses, you will be connected with other course members through an online Moodle resources and discussion forum.

“Feel much more confident about writing Claim 1 - great push towards good exam technique”.
-FD2 (Potter)

“Really engaging tutors - great explanations, strategy really helped”.
-FD3 (Gray & Yeadon)



FD2 course with Julian Potter & Alistair McKinnon

FD4 courses

23O	I&V split course	Chris Mercer & Henrietta Rooney	15 May + 17-18 July (2.5 days)	£900+vat (In person)
23P			16 May + 18-19 July (2.5 days)	£900+vat (In person)
23Q			7 June + 13-14 July (2.5 days)	£700+vat (Zoom course)
23R	FD4 Resitter	Chris Mercer	26 May + 4 August (2 days)	£660/£600+vat (Zoom course)
23S	Infringement & Validity	Andy Leppard & William Richards	26-27 June (2 days)	£740+vat (In person)
23T	Infringement & Validity	Tim Allsop & Sarah Boxall	10-11 July (2 days)	£800+vat (In person)
23U			17-18 July (2 days)	£800+vat (In person)
23V	FD4 Resitter	Tim Allsop & Sarah Boxall	7-8 August (1.5 days)	£700/£640+vat (In person)

The in-person course fee includes 1 night's accommodation at the training venue in Milton Keynes, along with meals. + JDD resitter rate

Course features

Each course includes a presentation and handout on how to approach the FD4 paper and includes practice and feedback on past papers.

- The 2.5 day ‘split’ Mercer/Rooney course has 1 day of introduction and initial practice in mid-May or early June, then 1.5 days in late July focusing on key parts of the paper, a Zoom session in Sept. and post-course feedback on 2 past papers.
- The Leppard/Richards and Allsop/Boxall 2-day courses provide real-time tutor advice and feedback on papers you do individually during the course plus after for A/B.
- The resitter course includes feedback on your 2022 script and a paper you do after the course.

“Very useful - I feel much more confident approaching this exam”.

- FD4 (Mercer & Rooney)

“Very pleased - great insight into the exam and was so useful to have exam technique outlines.”

-FD4 (Leppard & Richards)

“Really enjoyed the course - methods/approaches particularly useful.”

-FD4 (Allsop & Boxall)



FD4 course with Andy Leppard & William Richards