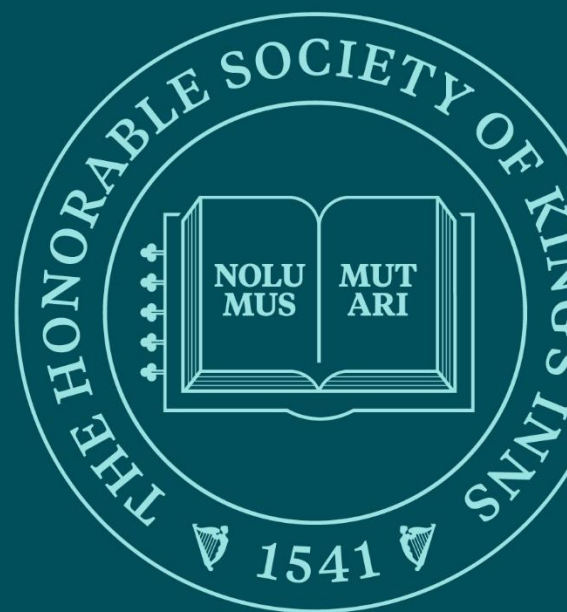


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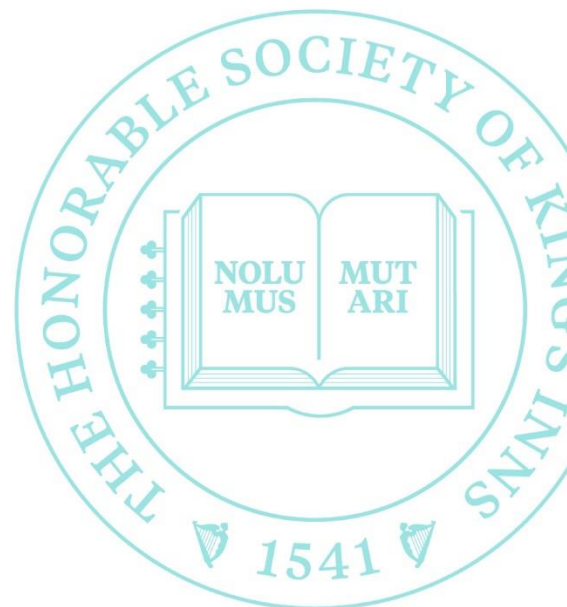


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## Syllabus 2025.

### 1. Contract Formation

- Offer
- Acceptance
- Termination of an Offer
- Consideration
- Certainty
- Formal and Evidentiary Requirements
- Intention to Create Legal Relations
- Capacity to Contract

### 2. Contents of a Contract

- Express Terms
- Implied Terms “(in general, without considering specialised types of contract)”
- Conditions and Warranties
- Exemption Clauses

### 3. Discharge of a Contract

- Breach of Contract
- Performance
- Agreement (Waiver, Variation and Rescission)
- Frustration

### 4. Invalid Contracts

- Mistake
- Misrepresentation
- Duress
- Undue Influence
- Unconscionable Bargain

### 5. Illegal Contracts

- Contracts prohibited by statute
- Contracts illegal at common law
- Consequences of illegality: “Contracts prohibited by statute” “(general principles)”
- Contracts void at common law

## 6. Remedies

- Damages
- Rescission
- Rectification
- Specific Performance
- Restitutionary Relief
- Privity of Contract

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## Reading List 2025.

### Recommended textbooks

Clark, R. *Contract Law in Ireland* (9<sup>th</sup> ed, Round Hall, 2022)

McDermott, P. *Contract Law* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed, Butterworths/LexisNexis, 2017)

### Supplementary books

Byrne and Binchy (eds), *Annual Review of Irish Law* (yearly) - sections on 'Contract'

Clark, R and Clarke, B. *Contract Cases and Materials* 4<sup>th</sup>ed 2008, Gill & MacMillan)

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## Examination Format 2025.

Candidates must answer Question 1 and any two of the remaining questions.

Question 1 carries 50 marks. All other questions carry 25 marks each.

There are a total of 5 questions on the paper.

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