

BPP University Social Impact team's Streetlaw project: free legal education for young people

Why would Streetlaw benefit my school / youth group?

1. Streetlaw is a **free legal education project** which **empowers individuals** by making them **aware of their legal rights and responsibilities** as citizens in a democratic society. It also aims to **raise young people's aspirations** to consider a career in law.
2. Our **fun and interactive** workshops help **demystify complex areas of law** relevant to people's lives, through activities such as role plays, group discussion and quizzes.
3. Streetlaw's **secondary school / 6th form college / youth group** branch is designed to **complement Citizenship and PHSE teaching** (including relationship and sex education) and support your school in **promoting SMSC and British Values** as part of national curriculum and Ofsted requirements. It also helps schools meet the **Gatsby Benchmarks** in relation to providing meaningful careers guidance (particularly benchmarks 2, 5 and 7).



Why are BPP students best placed to deliver Streetlaw?

1. Workshops are delivered by **trained postgraduate law students** in the final stage of academic and vocational training prior to entry into the legal profession.
2. BPP student volunteers are **committed to the "pro bono" ethos** - to use their legal skills to enhance access to justice for their local communities.
3. The Streetlaw project is **overseen by staff members who are qualified lawyers**. Staff members responsible for Streetlaw have obtained **"Gold" status as UK Parliament Teacher Ambassadors**, demonstrating the project's ability to develop schoolchildren's understanding of democracy. They are also members of the **PHSE Association**



and have attended **Sex Education Forum training**, ensuring their expertise in the delivery of effective, relevant SRE in schools.

4. BPP's Streetlaw project is **award winning, recognised on a national level** at the annual LawWorks and Attorney General Student Awards for its positive impact in communities (most recently **2021 Runners Up in the Best Team of Students** category).

How does Streetlaw work?

- Streetlaw workshops are **available for delivery** by a group of trained student volunteers either:
 - in person at your venue; or**
 - online** with either:
 - individual access to devices (e.g. computer; smartphone); or
 - group access to a shared device (utilising a venue staff member as facilitator).
- Workshops **usually last 45 – 90 minutes** to fit into your timetable.
- All we require from you is that a **member of your staff is present** during the workshop.
- **Face to face delivery** is only available in locations commutable from city centres where BPP University Law Schools are based: **Birmingham; Manchester; Leeds; London (Holborn & Waterloo)**
- Online workshops for all other clients are delivered via **Microsoft Teams** meetings. There is no requirement to download specific software onto your device to participate.
- To facilitate requests (provided clients have access to technology) we may also recommend online provision for locally based clients due to e.g. volume or timing of workshops requested.
- You can view a demo of how our online sessions work here: <https://bit.ly/3SWTQjE>



What Streetlaw workshops are available?

A synopsis of any topic is available upon request.

Consumer Rights 2015: buying goods and services	Employment law: what would you change?	Initiations/Hazing Practices in Clubs	Sexting and Revenge Porn*
Criminal trial taster (examining the evidence) (1.5 hours) [KS4 & 5]	Employment law: my basic rights	Knife Crime	Social Media Use and its impact on your employment
Crossing the line – when behaviour in sport become a crime	Female Genital Mutilation	Murder	Start Your Own Campaign (full day)* [KS3]
Criminal justice system (roles in court and questioning witnesses)	Forced Marriage	Legal Right to Protest	Stop and Search
Drafting skills for future lawyers: no children in the streets!	How a Law is Made in the UK	Routes into the Legal Profession talk	Supreme Court [KS4 & 5]
Drugs: possession and supply laws	Human Rights	Secondary Liability (aka Joint Enterprise)	Your online behaviour and the law (criminal and civil offences re: social media/internet use)
Equality Act 2010: stopping discrimination	Human Trafficking	Sexual consent*	

*indicates only available for in-person delivery due to nature of topic, format or length

A quick word about the remit of the Streetlaw service

Streetlaw workshops aim to empower individuals with general knowledge about their rights. Knowledge is a powerful tool. Student volunteers are not permitted (and do not have the professional qualifications yet) to give specific legal advice to audience members about their personal circumstances. They are able to signpost audience members to potential sources of help.

Ready to book a workshop, or have more questions?

Please contact us at streetlawteam@bpp.com to discuss your requirements in more detail (e.g. your preferred delivery mode, time, topic and any audience needs).

“We have been very grateful for the support of Streetlaw this year with our GCSE Citizenship classes. Many of our pupils aspire to study and work in law and the opportunity for them to meet, first hand, people with similar aspirations is invaluable. They were able to see that there are many paths that lead to careers in law and that people from a variety of backgrounds and interests can be involved and successful.”

Ms Tasker, Head of Citizenship, Abraham Moss School