

## UNIT 4: Aspects of Family Law:- Cornerstones – Catholic – Inclusive – Broad – Knowledge Rich

Calendar	Big Question/Theme	Small Questions	Assessment Opportunities and Criteria. Teacher Feedback point (TFP)
Spring 1	A Explore the legal rules governing the formation of marriages, civil partnerships and cohabitation	<p><b>A1 Marriage</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of marriage.</li> <li>• Formation of a valid marriage.</li> <li>• The legal requirements of marriage.</li> <li>• Polygamy.</li> <li>• Bigamy.</li> <li>• The rights of transsexuals.</li> <li>• Preliminary formalities.</li> <li>• The legal consequences of marriage.</li> </ul> <p><b>A1 Civil partnership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of a civil partnership.</li> <li>• The differences between marriage and civil partnership.</li> <li>• Formation of a civil partnership.</li> <li>• The legal requirements of a civil partnership.</li> <li>• Preliminary formalities.</li> <li>• The legal consequences of a civil partnership.</li> </ul> <p><b>A2 Cohabitation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of cohabitation.</li> <li>• Cohabitation agreement.</li> <li>• Homesharing.</li> <li>• The legal consequences of cohabitation.</li> </ul> <p><b>A3 Legal rights and obligations of marriage/civil partnership and cohabitation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial obligations.</li> <li>• Property rights during the relationship.</li> <li>• Property rights when the relationship has broken down.</li> <li>• The parental responsibilities of children and orders.</li> </ul>	<p>P1</p> <p>P1</p> <p>P1</p> <p>P2 TFP</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The effect of the relationship when a person has to give evidence against the person.</li> <li>• The impact on one party when the other dies without a will.</li> <li>• The impact on the relationship based on tax obligations.</li> </ul> <p><b>Applying to knowledge to given case studies (Pearson assignment brief)</b></p>	<p>M1 TFP</p>
Spring 1	B Examine the various methods for dissolving a relationship	<p><b>B1 Nullity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of nullity.</li> <li>• Void and voidable marriages.</li> <li>• Consequences of a void marriage.</li> <li>• Grounds for a voidable marriage.</li> <li>• Grounds for a voidable civil partnership.</li> <li>• The procedure for obtaining a decree of nullity.</li> <li>• Bars of annulment.</li> </ul> <p><b>B2 Divorce and dissolution</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One year bar.</li> <li>• Definition of divorce and dissolution.</li> <li>• Irretrievable breakdown.</li> <li>• No fault divorce.</li> <li>• Previous grounds used for divorce or dissolution of a marriage.</li> <li>• Reconciliation.</li> <li>• Joint and sole applications.</li> <li>• Cost of divorce or dissolution.</li> <li>• Undefended and defended divorce.</li> <li>• The decree of presumption of death.</li> </ul> <p><b>B3 Judicial separation</b></p> <p><b>Applying to knowledge to given case studies (Pearson assignment brief).</b></p>	<p>P3</p> <p>P3</p> <p>P3</p> <p>M2 TFP</p>



	<p>resolve disputes over children</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of parenthood.</li> <li>• Key elements of parental responsibility.</li> <li>• Automatic parental responsibility.</li> <li>• Acquired parental responsibility.</li> <li>• Losing parental responsibility</li> <li>• The effects of losing parental responsibility.</li> <li>• The difference between being a parent and having parental responsibility.</li> <li>• The laws of surrogacy.</li> <li>• Assisted reproduction.</li> </ul> <p><b>D2 Children's rights</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of a right.</li> <li>• The development of children's rights.</li> <li>• The right to protection.</li> <li>• The right to autonomy.</li> <li>• The right to be heard.</li> <li>• Alternations made to court proceedings to accommodate children.</li> </ul> <p><b>D3 Disputes over children</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residence orders.</li> <li>• Contact orders – direct / indirect contact and overnight and visiting arrangements.</li> <li>• Specific issue order.</li> <li>• Prohibited steps order.</li> <li>• The welfare principle.</li> <li>• The no delay principle.</li> <li>• The order principle.</li> </ul> <p><b>Applying to knowledge to given case studies (Pearson assignment brief)</b></p> <p><b>Evaluating the current law distributing money and property.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is the law effective.</li> <li>• How is the law ineffective.</li> </ul>	<p>P5</p> <p>P5</p> <p>M4 TFP</p> <p>D3 TFP</p>
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Summer 1			TFP – coursework marking