

AT A GLANCE

Key information

DATES

19–20 June 2026

11–12 September 2026

SCHEDULE

09:00–17:00 each day

FORMAT

In person

DURATION AND FEE

2 days

GBP 1,995 (no VAT charged)

ACADEMIC LEAD

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EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

Finance and Accounting for Legal Professionals

Build financial confidence for stronger legal decision-making.

Develop the financial and accounting knowledge needed to engage with commercial information more confidently, whether you are advising on transactions, assessing risk, supporting disputes, or guiding clients through complex decisions.

Practical and accessible

No prior financial training required

A focused programme for lawyers, in-house counsel, and legal managers seeking sharper financial judgement in legal and commercial contexts.

WHO IT IS FOR

Designed for legal professionals

- Lawyers in private practice
- In-house counsel
- Legal managers and executives
- Professionals involved in transactions, disputes, compliance, investigations, or strategic decision-making

WHY JOIN

Legal professionals are increasingly expected to engage with financial information and business performance. This programme helps you interpret that information with greater confidence and credibility.

OUTCOME

Read financial statements with confidence

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Spot financial risks and red flags

Strengthen commercial judgement and contribute more effectively to deals and disputes.

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

What you will learn

- Read and interpret core financial statements with greater confidence
- Understand the difference between profit and cash flow and why it matters
- Identify the key drivers of business performance and financial success
- Spot financial risks and red flags more effectively
- Engage more confidently in financial discussions with clients, regulators, and stakeholders
- Bring stronger commercial and financial awareness to legal advice

HOW YOU WILL LEARN

The programme combines expert teaching with practical exercises, case studies, discussion, and group-based learning, creating a highly interactive experience focused on real legal and commercial applications.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Two focused parts

PART 1

Understanding financial statements
Develop a practical understanding of the main financial statements, key accounting terminology, and the difference between profit and cash flow. Explore how judgement and accounting choices influence reported performance.

PART 2

Interpreting financial information
Learn how to analyse financial data, identify the drivers of business performance, and apply financial insight across different industries and business contexts.

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BENEFITS

Value for participants and organisations

FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

- Assess business health through financial reporting
- Support due diligence and negotiations with greater confidence
- Understand how accounting choices and judgement can affect legal and regulatory issues
- Evaluate the financial implications of commercial decisions
- Provide more commercially informed, strategically valuable advice

FOR LAW FIRMS AND LEGAL DEPARTMENTS

- Engage more effectively with finance colleagues, investors, and advisers
- Contribute more confidently to transactions and financial negotiations
- Better understand the commercial context behind legal issues
- Deliver more rounded advice on governance, risk, compliance, and business strategy