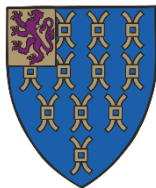


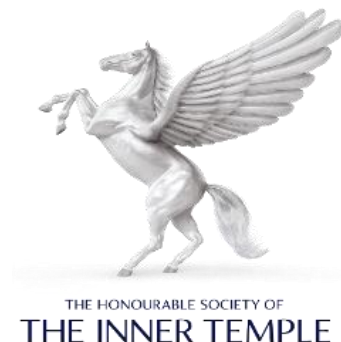
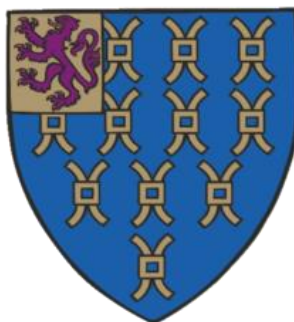
# *The Honourable Society of* **Lincoln's Inn**

## **InnSight Day** **Welcome to Lincoln's Inn**





# The Four Inns of Court



Gray's Inn

Lincoln's Inn

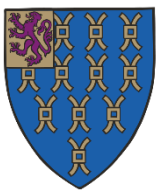
Middle Temple

Inner temple

What do the four Inns of Court do?

- They are professional associations for barristers and judges in England and Wales.
- They are the only organisations that have the power to Call those that are qualified to the Bar.
- They play a fundamental role in preparing students for Call through educational activities.
- After Call, they support their members as they progress to professional competence as barristers.
- They have supervisory and disciplinary functions.
- The Inns maintain libraries, dining facilities, gardens, accommodation and a chapel for the use of their members as they train and practice.
- They are landlords to chambers and private tenants, venues for weddings and celebrations, settings for films and television programmes, and more...





# Inside Lincoln's Inn



The Great Hall



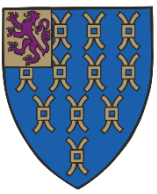
Lecture Theatre, Ashworth Centre



The Library



The Chapel



# Route to the Bar

## Qualifying Law Degree

Non-qualifying Law Degree/  
Non-Law Degree  
(apply for a GDL scholarship)

Law Conversion Course  
Graduate Diploma in Law  
1 year full time or 2 year part time

## Make Arrangements for the Bar Course

Apply for an Inn of Court Scholarship 12-16 months before the start of your course. The deadline to apply for Bar Course scholarships is always the **first Friday in November** for all four Inns. You can only apply to **one Inn** for a scholarship.

## Join an Inn of Court

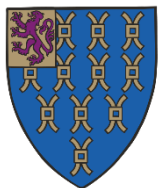
You must join an Inn a minimum of **12 weeks before the start of your Bar Course** and secure a place on the Bar Course at a Provider. You can only apply to join **one Inn**.

## The Bar Course and Inns of Court Qualifying Sessions

In addition to your studies, you must also complete 10 Qualifying Sessions at your Inn in order to be Called to the Bar.

## Call to the Bar

This is like your graduation ceremony. Only your Inn of Court may Call you to the Bar. After Call you must complete 12-18 months in Chambers (Pupillage) or at another Approved Training Organisation.



# Route to the Bar

## Where can I study the Bar Course?

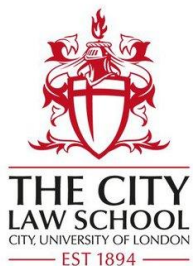
There are ten providers in nineteen locations.

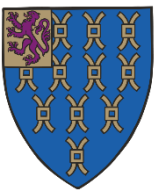
## Do I need to sit the BCAT?

Students no longer have to sit the BCAT (Bar Course Aptitude Test)

## How do I apply for the Bar Course?

Applications for the Bar Course must be made to your chosen provider directly, not via the Inn.

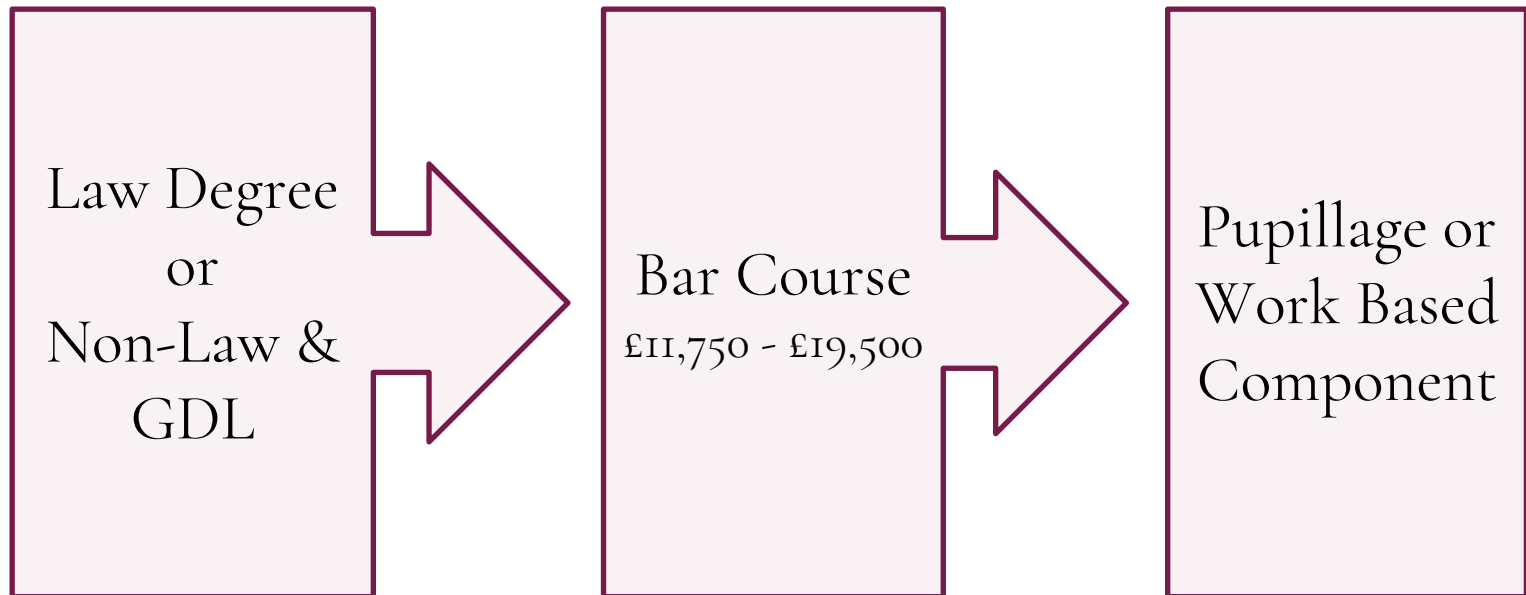


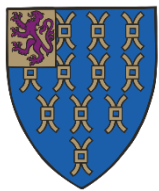


# The Bar Course

## Three-step pathway

Academic (degree) followed by vocational (Bar Course), followed by pupillage or work-based component.

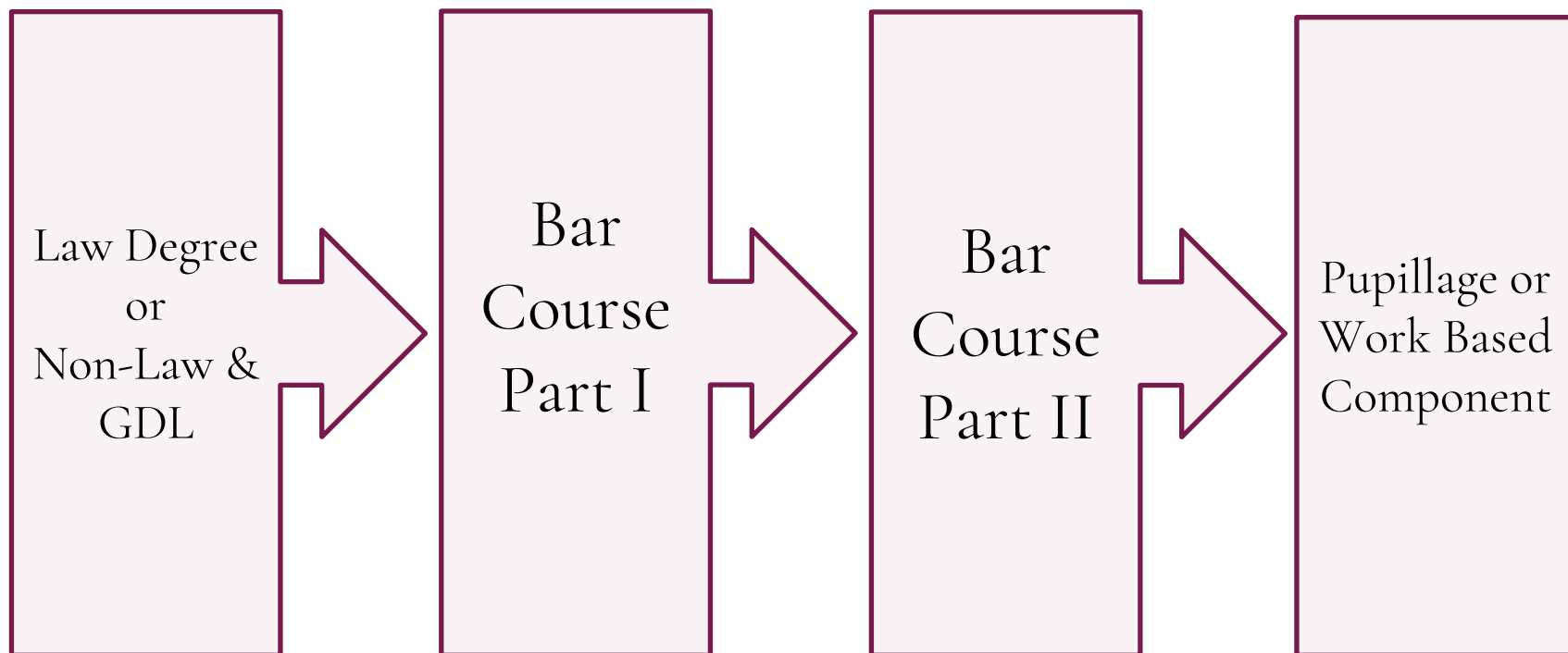




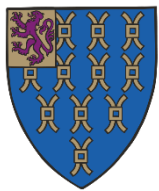
# The Bar Course

## Four-step pathway

Academic (degree) component, followed by vocational component (Bar Course) in two parts, followed by pupillage or work-based component.







# The Bar Course



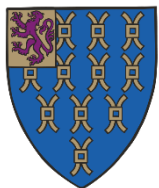
## Integrated Degree and Bar Course pathway

Combined academic (degree) and vocational (Bar Course) components followed by pupillage or work-based component.

## Apprenticeship pathway (future)

Combined academic (degree), vocational (Bar Course) and pupillage or work-based components.





# Scholarships and Prizes

The deadline for to apply for Bar Course scholarships is **the first Friday in November**.  
The deadline to apply for GDL scholarships is **the first Friday in May**.

All of Lincoln's Inn's scholarships are awarded on merit.

The value of each award is calculated on a means test based on applicants' financial means.  
You can apply for a scholarship before you join an Inn but can only apply to one.

## Bar Course Scholarships

Budget: £1,545,000

Around 100 awarded each year.

Top award: Lord Mansfield Scholarship.

## Additional scholar benefits

Free admission to the Inn.

Reduced Qualifying Session rates.

Free Call to the Bar.

## GDL Scholarships

Budget: £178,200

Up to 32 awarded each year

All award values means tested.

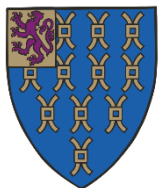
## Accommodation Awards

14 on site rooms available.

London Bar Course students only.

Register interest when applying.

Rent is taken directly from scholarship fund.



# Scholarships and Prizes

What are we looking for?

## **Intellect**

The level of intellect evidenced by an assessment of the candidate's potential for analytical and critical thinking, judgment, perceptiveness and problem-solving, as well as their academic results (including a realistic assessment of degree level in the case of candidates still studying for one).

## **Motivation**

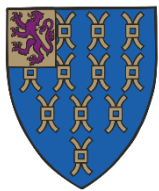
The degree of motivation for a career at the Bar evidenced by the candidate's investigation of the profession and development of associated skills and experience, leading to a realistic ambition towards practice at the Bar and any identified areas of practice.

## **Personal characteristics**

Personal characteristics such as reliability in all its forms, including independence of mind and honesty; leadership; teamwork; and (if appropriate) the ability to overcome adversity.

## **Communication**

Oral and written persuasiveness, including listening skills, reaction to an audience, and attention to detail.



# Scholarships and Prizes

## General Information

- Applicants can only apply to one Inn of Court for a scholarship.
- You **do not** need to be a member of an Inn to apply (but **will need to join** to receive your scholarship money).
- You will need to supply at least two references with your application.
- Part-time students can apply for either year of their course (but can only receive one scholarship).
- International students are eligible to apply however they will need to intend to practise at the Bar of England and Wales.
- GDL Scholars **are not** guaranteed a Bar Course scholarship at Lincoln's Inn.



# Qualifying Sessions

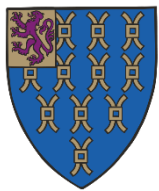
Students currently have to complete ten qualifying sessions, including one from each of the different categories.

## Qualifying Session Categories

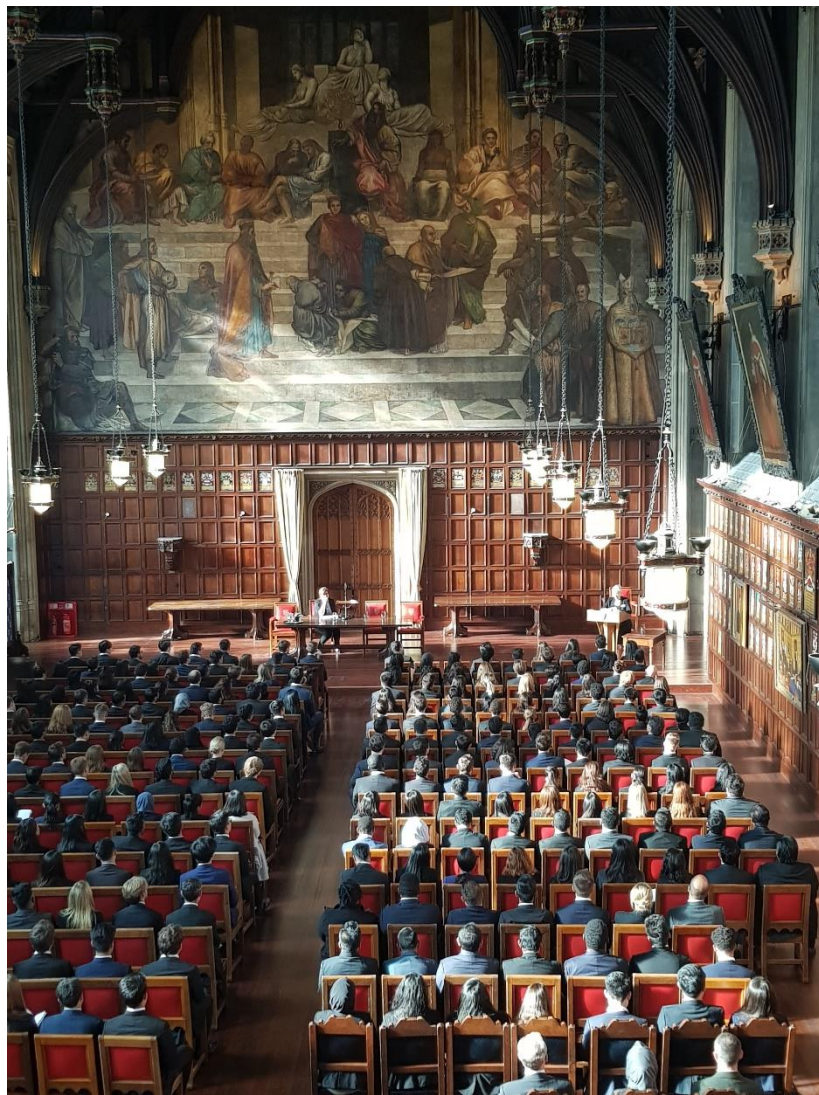
- Ethics, Standards and Values
- Advocacy Skills
- Legal Knowledge, Justice and the Rule of Law
- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion
- Preparation for Pupillage, Career Development and Wellbeing







# Types of Qualifying Sessions



Lectures

Advocacy Workshops

Ethics Workshops

Advocacy & Ethics Days

Legal Research Training

Debate Dinners

Residential Weekends





# Additional Support

## Pupillage Grants

**Budget:** up to £65,000

Given to assist pupils during their pupillage year. Grants are only available to those who have a combined chambers award/guaranteed earnings of under £25,000 for the year.

## European & International Scholarships

**Nicholas Bratza:** £5,100 to spend 3 months with the Research Division at ECtHR

**Peter Duffy:** £5,100 to spend 3 months with the UK Division at the ECtHR

**Johan Steyn:** £10,200 to spend 6 months at the ICC

**JP Warner:** £5,100 to spend 3 months at the CJEU, Luxembourg

**EFTA:** Paid internship (€2,500 a month) at the EFTA Court

**Paul Heim Education Award:** Funding available to assist with a short course of study on human rights law

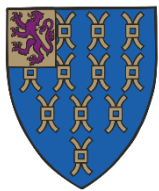
**Overseas Placement Fund:** Partial funding to assist with international placements

## Prizes

**Buchanan Award:** £100 to students who achieve 85% or higher on the Bar Course

**Student of the Year Award:** Wig and Gown awarded to top scoring student on Bar Course

**Competition prizes:** Various prizes for student competition winners



# Student Activities

Alongside Qualifying Sessions, the Inn also offers a variety of other student services and support:



## Competitions:

- Eric Crowther Shield
- Sir Louis Gluckstein Advocacy Competition
- Inter-Provider Mooting Competition
- Debating Shield
- Law Journal Prize

## Student Support:

- Mentoring Scheme
- Marshalling Scheme
- Pupillage Application Advice Sessions
- Mock Interview Scheme

## European Court Visits:

- European Court of Human Rights (Strasbourg)
- The Court of Justice of the European Union (Luxembourg)
- International Criminal Court (The Hague)



## Lincoln's Inn Students' Association (LISA)





# Opportunities for Non-Members

## Lincoln's Inn

### Neuberger Prize

A prize for academically exceptional students studying at non-Russell Group Universities.

### Mini-Pupillage Grant Scheme

Financial support to students wishing to undertake mini-pupillages from socially mobile backgrounds.

## Gray's Inn

### University Advocacy Days

Opportunity to meet and listen to what leading barristers say are the key elements of good advocacy.

## Inner Temple

### PASS (Pegasus Access and Support scheme)

Provides mini-pupillages and development of advocacy skills.

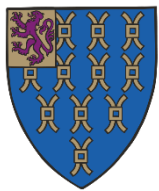
## Middle Temple

### Access to the Bar Award

Provides one week of marshalling and a one week mini-pupillage for undergraduates from disadvantaged backgrounds.







# Advice for Students

## Gaining Experience:

- Mini-pupillages – Some can be done pre-GDL, others during the GDL.
- Ask to shadow barristers in Chambers.

## Utilising Societies

- Open to both law and non-law students.
- Societies create avenues to access barristers, and opportunities for mooting and debating.
- Societies form links with Chambers, The Inns of Court and more.

## Realise your transferable skills

- Public speaking, advocacy, debating, written skills.

## Keep up to date with legal matters

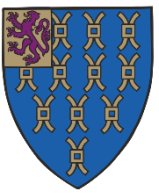
- Books such as The Path to Pupillage, The Secret Barrister, Under the Wig, In Black and White, People Like Us, Spider Woman etc.
- Websites such as Legal Cheek, Inns of Court websites.

## Check out other organisations

- There are lots of other law related organisations that can help you on your career path.
- Look into the Specialist Bar Association; some offer mentorship programmes, career advice sessions and competition opportunities.

## Utilise social media

- Build up an online network of Chambers, Inns, Barristers etc on sites such as Twitter and LinkedIn. Key tool to find news on events and opportunities.



# Membership

We hope that if you choose to join Lincoln's Inn you will become active members and get involved in the life of the Inn as much as possible.

## **Membership is for life.**

Other benefits included in becoming a member of Lincoln's Inn include:

### **Members' Lunch**

Our members lunch is served in the Great Hall from 12:30 – 2:30pm, Monday to Friday. Students are welcome to attend. Smart casual clothes may be worn but generally the dress code is suits.

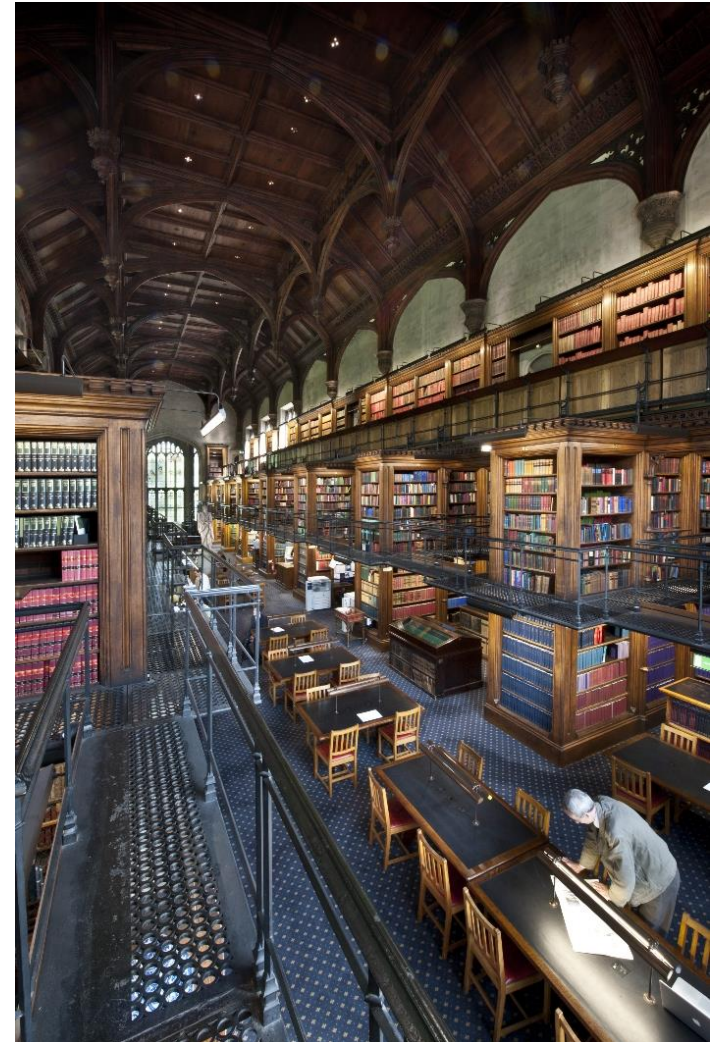
### **MCR Restaurant and Bar**

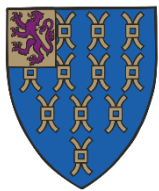
The MCR is a licensed bar and brasserie, serving morning coffee, afternoon tea, cocktails and light meals. Normal opening hours are 10:30 am – 10:30pm Monday to Friday. Walks ins are welcome but reservations are advised.

### **The Library**

Normal opening hours are 9:00am – 7:00pm (Monday to Friday).

The Inns take it in turns to open their libraries on Saturdays from 10:00am – 5:00pm.





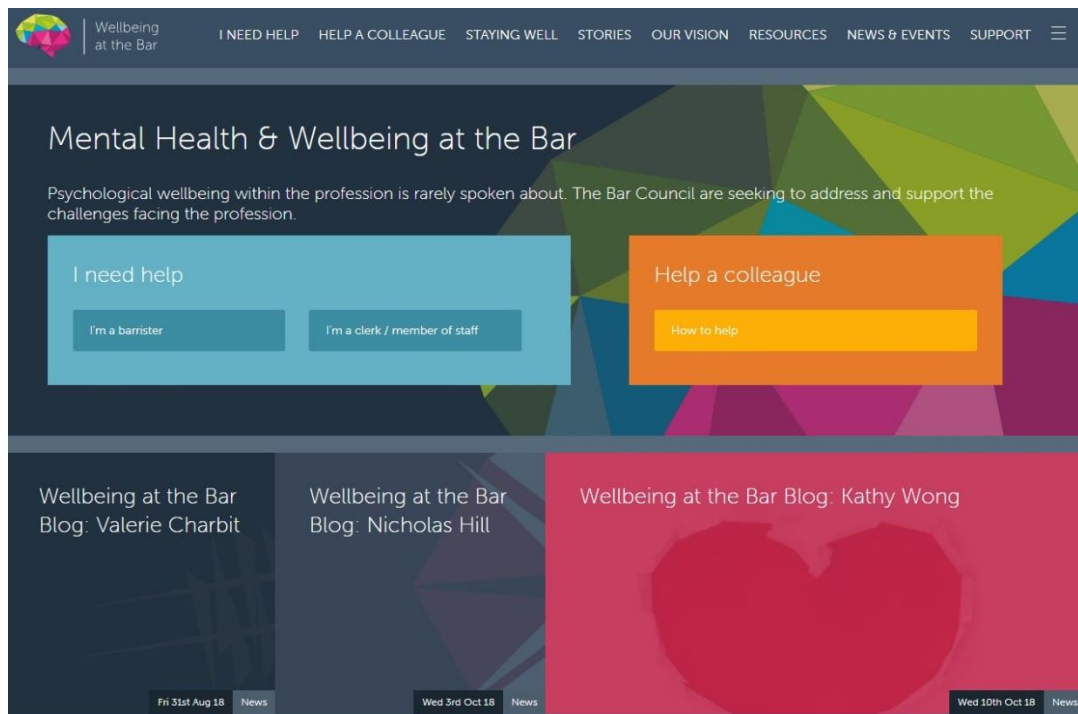
# Wellbeing at the Bar

## Bar Council Support:

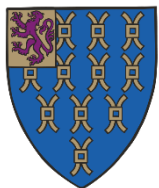
- Provides barristers and chambers' personnel with the information and skills they need in order to stay well during their career at the Bar.
- Supports members of the profession through difficulties that affect a barrister's professional life.
- Provides assistance to those responsible for or who are supporting those in difficulty or crisis.

Providing support to Students, Pupils, Barristers, Clerks and Staff across the sector.

[www.wellbeingatthebar.org.uk](http://www.wellbeingatthebar.org.uk)







# Any Questions?

## Social Media



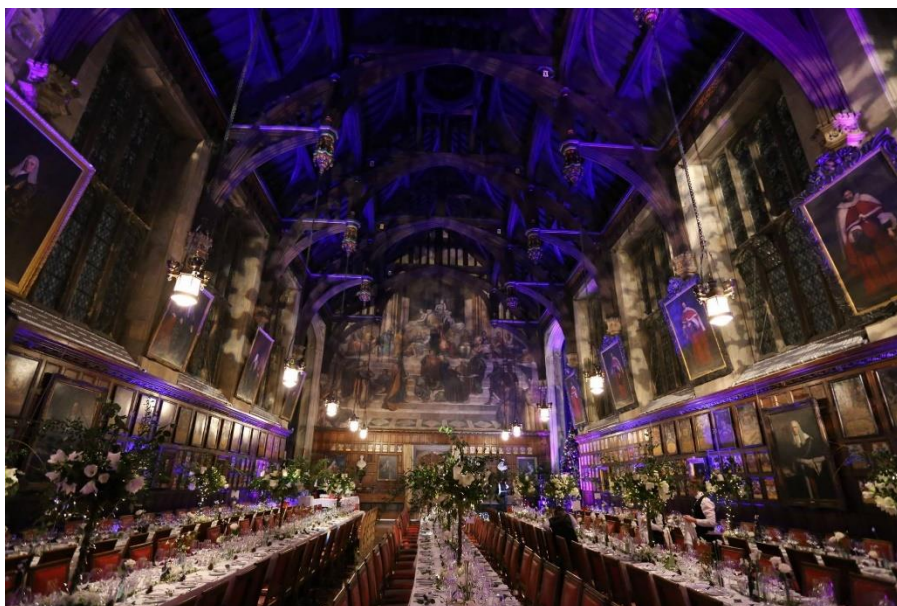
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