

# BECOMING A BARRISTER

IBA Karachi now offering sessions for the  
Bar Transfer Test for lawyers practising in  
Pakistan to become UK Barristers

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# BAR TRANSFER TEST (BTT)



## Overview

Barristers play a vital role in the administration of justice. They must uphold the reputation of the Bar and demonstrate a high standard of professional practice to justify the trust placed in them by the public and other professionals.

Bar Transfer Test (BTT) is a specialized route to procure the license to practice in the jurisdiction of England and Wales. Thereby having the right to call oneself a Barrister.

This program can be studied at a teaching institution and becomes ideal if you are already practicing in another common law jurisdiction like Pakistan.

## BTT Eligibility Criteria

Prospective applicants should have the following credentials:

- License to practice and appear before any of the courts in Pakistan.
- Strong command of written and spoken English

The program serves as a post-graduate qualification in a specialized profession for foreign immigration applications.

## Exemption Criteria

The BSB has the discretion to grant specific exemptions on some or all the exams of Part B of the curriculum, after assessing the prior experience of the advocate.



## Modules - Professional Components

- Advocacy
- Civil Litigation and Evidence
- Criminal Litigation, Evidence, and Sentencing
- Professional Ethics
- Opinion Writing
- Legal Research
- Drafting
- Conferencing

# CURRICULUM

The BTT encompasses 10 modules which include centralized, oral, and theoretical exams. The breakdowns of the same modules have been mentioned below:

MODULE	PARTICULARS	DURATION
Civil Litigation and Evidence	This module will familiarize students on how to go about litigation matters in civil disputes using Civil Procedural Rules (CPR), following procedures step by step from the beginning of the dispute between the parties till the conclusion of the matter with the decision of the court including the cost of the parties.	7 months
Criminal Litigation and evidence	This module aims to provide core knowledge of litigation in criminal matters from committing of the crime to selection of the courts to ultimately sentencing principles that a defendant who has been found guilty will be subjected to.	7 months
Advocacy	It entails three components; Civil Advocacy, Examination in chief, and Cross-examination. The assessments will be predominantly role-playing actors who will require the lawyer to navigate through challenging scenarios.	7 months
Professional Ethics	This module is taught using the handbook of barristers used in the UK and the exam is based on 30 MCQs.	4 months
Conferencing	It involves one on one sessions with clients before their appearance in front of the court to seek necessary information pertaining to the case of the client and then providing them with realistic chances of success/failure and possible consequences.	2 months
Drafting	Students are expected to draft a legal document and this is based on the format followed by lawyers in the UK.	2 months
Opinion Writing and Legal Research	At the initial stage of the case, opinion is sought from the barrister regarding the prospects of the case on the basis of factual and legal grounds involving damages to the aggrieved party which is taught in this module. Research trail is also provided to keep track of the legal research in order to reach the potential outcome suggested in the opinion.	2 months

# Program Details



## Venue

IBA City Campus  
Saddar, Karachi

*Classes close to offices so participants can commute easily*

## Important Dates



**Application Deadline** - January 9th  
**Classes Commence** - January 13th  
**Exam Session** - August / September

*7-month program to attain the skillset and title of Barrister and membership of Lincoln's Inn in the UK*



## Classes on

**Friday & Saturday 6 pm - 9 pm**

*Weekend classes to facilitate work alongside studies*

## Fee Structure



<b>Tuition Fee</b>	Rs. 300,000
<b>Application handling fee</b>	Rs. 100,000
<b>Total Fee</b>	Rs. 400,000

*For details on fees payable to BPP University, BSB, and Inns of Court, please visit [www.ibalsf.com](http://www.ibalsf.com)*

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## What is IBA LSF?

IBA Legal Skills Forum is a project dedicated to the executive education and capacity building of lawyers within Pakistan.

The main focus of the project is to promote networking and collaboration between business and legal professionals.

## Why consider the BTT?

BTT enables applicants to become certified barristers without traveling to the UK for the duration of the program and at a significantly lower cost than the regular Bar Training Course (formerly known as BPTC/BVC) provided in the UK.

***"I insist you to strive. Work, Work and only work for satisfaction with patience, humbleness and serve thy nation"***

*-Barrister Muhammad Ali Jinnah*

# Limited Seats Available