



Essential Housing Law for Student Advisors – Updated for the Renters’ Rights Act 2025

Tuesday 24 February 2026

Day 1

9.30am	Introduction University of London Housing Services
9.35am	Pre-Tenancy Matters and Contracts including Renters’ Rights Act changes to Tenancies Robin Stewart, Anthony Gold Solicitors <i>Types of letting agreements, letting agents, holding deposits, tenant fees, contract checking, unfair contract terms, Landlord and Tenant obligations Renters Rights Act 2025 changes: Rental bidding/ rent in advance’ new periodic tenancies, discrimination</i>
11.00am	Comfort break
11.15am	Escaping Tenancies and Notices to Quit/Joint Tenancies under the Renters’ Rights Act 2025 Sarah Cummins, Anthony Gold Solicitors <i>Break clauses, surrender, assignment, problem with sharers, consumer and contractual remedies Renters’ Rights Act – notice to quit and joint tenancies</i>
12:05pm	Disrepair and Renters’ Rights Act 2025 changes on the Horizon Eleanor Solomon, Anthony Gold Solicitors <i>s.11 repairs, Homes (Fitness for Human Habitation) Act 2018, remedies, changes on the horizon (RRA)</i>
1.05pm	Q and A
1.20pm	Lunch Break
2.15pm	Housing Scams Nicholas Coomber, University of London <i>Discussing common housing scams effecting students, how to differentiate scams from genuine property adverts, and what students can do if they are scammed, and what protections the RRA might bring.</i>
3:00pm	Renters’ Rights Act 2025 - What else is new and when it is expected? Giles Peaker, Anthony Gold Solicitors <i>PRS Database, PRS Ombudsman, Rent increases, Pets, guarantors, Changes to PEA and consequences of landlord’s breach and tenants’ remedies.</i>
4.00pm	End of Day 1

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Day 2



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| 9.35am | Welcome
University of London Housing Services |
| 9.40am | HMOs, Licensing and Rent Repayment Orders
Nicholas Coomber, University of London

<i>Identifying an HMO, Licensing, remedies and RROs, Tribunal Procedures, Renters' Rights Act 2025 changes and increased enforcement powers.</i> |
| 11.00am | Comfort break |
| 11.15am | Advising Students about Court Claims and Litigation
Robin Stewart, Anthony Gold Solicitors

<i>Giving advice to students about how to bring or defend a claim for money, introduction to claims in the courts about deposits, enforcing a court order, and complying with rules about providing regulated legal services.</i> |
| 12.30pm | Lunch break |
| 1.30pm | Advising students when their landlord wants to end a tenancy & recovering possession. Includes transitional arrangements following the Renters' Rights Act 2025
Nikki Basin, Anthony Gold Solicitors

<i>Notice served by landlords (section 8 and section 21 notices), claims for possession through the courts, and how to advise students. Renters' Rights Act changes and transition arrangements</i> |
| 2.30pm | Tenancy Deposit Adjudication
Sandy Bastin, Tenancy Deposit Scheme (TDS)

<i>Tenancy Deposit Adjudication</i> |
| 3:30pm | Q & A |
| 4:00pm | End of Day 2 |