

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

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Dual and interdisciplinary degree programs are available to full-time students only.

Master of Science in Social Administration and Law (MSSA/JD)

The dual-degree program established by the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences and the university's School of Law makes it possible for selected full-time students to pursue an integrated program of studies to receive the Master of Science in Social Administration (MSSA) and Juris Doctor (JD) degrees within four years rather than the normal five years. Applicants for the dual-degree program must apply to and meet the admission requirements of both professional schools and are encouraged to apply for admission to both programs simultaneously. Dual-degree students must receive the MSSA and JD degrees simultaneously to be granted credit for specific courses taken in the other program.

Master of Science in Social Administration and Business (MSSA/MBA)

The Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences and the Weatherhead School of Management offer a dual-degree program leading to the Master of Science in Social Administration (MSSA) with the Master of Science in Business Administration (MBA). The program is designed for candidates who wish to prepare for advanced social work practice in a variety of direct practice and community and social development settings, while developing the skills to assume management responsibility within those settings. Candidates must apply separately to each program.

MSSA/MBA students may begin the dual-degree in either Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences or Weatherhead School of Management. Students will continue to register in the school at which they began the program, regardless of the school they are attending. There are 102 credit hours in the dual MSSA/MBA Program (51 credit hours at MSASS, 51 credit hours at Weatherhead), compared with 124 credit hours if both degrees were completed separately. By integrating the course work, completing some course work over the summer, and reducing the elective requirements in each program, dual-degree students may complete the MSSA/MBA in three years, instead of the four years required if both degrees were to be completed separately.

Dual-degree students must receive the MSSA and MBA degrees simultaneously to be granted credit for specific courses taken in the other program.

Master of Science in Social Administration and Bioethics (MSSA/MA)

A dual degree established by the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences and the Department of Bioethics (<http://www.case.edu/med/bioethics>) in the university's School of Medicine makes it possible for selected students to pursue an integrated program of studies to earn the Master of Science in Social Administration (MSSA) and the Master of Arts (MA) in Bioethics. In a full-time format both degrees may be earned in two years plus one summer semester.

As the number and complexity of ethical dilemmas continue to increase, there is a growing need for social workers knowledgeable of the principles and practices fundamental to bioethics. Graduates of this program may help counsel clients and care providers as well pursuing careers related to policy and practice.

Applicants must apply separately and meet the admission requirement of the both professional programs and are encouraged to apply simultaneously to both schools. Dual-degree students must receive the MSSA and MA degrees simultaneously to be granted credit for specific courses taken in the other program.

Master of Science in Social Administration and Public Health (MSSA/MPH)

The "Side by Side" Dual Degree Program leads to both the Masters of Science in Social Administration (MSSA) and the Masters in Public Health (MPH). The MSSA/MPH program will prepare graduates with flexibility for professional leadership in a broad range of health and social services within communities and organizations. Areas of study will include prevention, program planning, development and evaluation.

The impetus for this dual program arises from a growing societal recognition that issues once thought to represent individual-level interventions, such as family violence, substance use, and mental illness, are multi-level problems demanding multi-level interventions for their amelioration. The MSSA/MPH Degree Program will equip students with a broader set of skills and perspectives to address such issues.

This degree option is open to full-time students only due to the sequencing of courses. Applicants must apply separately and meet the admission requirement of the both professional programs and are encouraged to apply simultaneously to both schools. This dual degree can be completed in 36 months. Dual-degree students must receive the MSSA and MPH degrees simultaneously to be granted credit for specific courses taken in the other program.

Master of Science in Social Administration and Master of Nonprofit Organization (MSSA/MNO)

The dual degree in social work and non-profit organization offered by the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences prepares students for leadership and management positions in human service organizations. Students may pursue either the Community Practice in Social Change concentration or the Direct Practice concentration. Further, this dual degree will place graduates into nonprofit management, administration, leadership, and research positions, which promises a great potential to influence the well-being of vulnerable groups and improve lives on a greater scale. MSSA/MNO dual degree students may apply for graduation in the term in which all requirements for the degree have been completed. It is not required that the MSSA and MNO be awarded simultaneously.

Master of Nonprofit Organization and Law (MNO/JD)

Being part of a world-class research university means you can combine your nonprofit management education with a Juris Doctor (JD) from Case Western Reserve University's School of Law (<http://law.case.edu>). The MNO/JD program is 109 credit hours (JD 88 hours and MNO 39 hours, with 18 hours that double-count) and can be completed in four years. You must apply separately to and be admitted in each of the programs. Alumni with MNO/JD degrees are employed worldwide by leading organizations, including the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the National Center for Transgender Equality.