COMPLIANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT, MCRM

Degree: Master of Compliance and Risk Management (MCRM)

Program Overview

The Law School's programs in compliance and risk management join only a few other concentrated graduate courses of study in the country focusing on governance, risk management and compliance (GRC). The master program is the only such program in Ohio.

The master degree programs in compliance and risk management will provide lawyers and non-lawyers with the knowledge and analytical skills needed to work in an organization's compliance and/or risk management department competently, effectively, and ethically.

Learn more about GRC and the unique aspects of the programs.

Program Requirements

As the regulatory state has expanded, compliance and risk management has become a major new field of expertise with its own methods of critical thinking, risk assessment, and managerial sociology, allowing lawyers and business executives to protect stakeholders by anticipating and reducing enterprise risks. The Case Western Reserve University School of Law Master of Compliance and Risk Management is a concentrated course of study that will give working professionals the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the regulatory environment competently, effectively, and ethically. Students will acquire essential legal skills such as how to read and interpret statutes, regulations, and case law, how to identify, assess, and address legal risks and opportunities, and how to design and implement compliance and risk management programs.

The Master of Compliance and Risk Management (M-CRM) should attract working professionals interested in jobs in the field of regulatory compliance and risk management. It will allow us to build an infrastructure of foundational courses for specialty certificates or Master’s level executive degrees in a series of highly regulated areas, such as healthcare, financial compliance and regulation, information privacy and data security, environmental health, eldercare, and/or clinical research regulation.

Students earning an M-CRM degree must complete a minimum of 30 credits, including foundational courses in Legislation & Regulation for Non-Lawyers; Legal Aspects of Risk Assessment; Governance, Regulatory Compliance & Risk Management; and Compliance & Risk Management Skills: Planning, Auditing, Investigating, and Reporting.

M-CRM students will then proceed to study more advanced topics in specialty areas. For example, for the Master of Compliance and Risk Management with a Specialization in Healthcare, students will be required to take Health Law, Healthcare Finance and Regulation, and HIPAA/Information Privacy and they will select among a list of electives from the health law curriculum such as Research Regulation; Hospital Risk Management; Food & Drug Law; Elder Law; Public Health Law and others, as well as completing a thesis project.

More information about the Master of Compliance and Risk Management program can be found on the program website.