

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS

For students in dual degree programs, 12 hours of elective credits in the JD program are waived in consideration of completion of the dual degree.

Students must be separately admitted to both degree programs in order to pursue a dual degree, the qualitative requirements of both degrees must be fully met, and the two degrees must be earned *simultaneously*. Students must begin coursework in the second degree program prior to beginning the fifth semester of law school work. Also, no coursework completed prior to official matriculation in the law school may be counted towards the law school degree.

JD/MBA (Master of Business Administration)

Students may complete the three-year JD program and the two-year MBA program in four academic years by completing 133 credit hours (including a 7-credit-hour overload which can be taken during the academic year or during the summer semester).

The School of Law allows dual degree students to use 12 credit hours from the MBA to fulfill both JD and MBA requirements. The Weatherhead School of Management allows dual degree students to use 12 credit hours from the School of Law to fulfill both MBA and JD requirements. Students must achieve a grade of C or better to receive double credit for the courses. This reduces the total number of hours required for the two degrees by 24 credit hours.

JD/MBA students may enroll only on a full-time basis, except during summer sessions. Dual degree students must receive both the JD and the MBA degrees simultaneously upon completion of degree requirements at both schools in order to receive the 24 hours of cross-credits described above.

Throughout the dual degree program, JD/MBA students continue to register in the first school they attended. After completion of both degree programs, two separate diplomas are awarded. Course work for both programs must be completed within six years of the date of initial enrollment in either program.

JD/MA or JD/MS (Master of Arts or Master of Science)

Enrolling in both the School of Law and the School of Graduate Studies, a student complete a Juris Doctor (JD) and a Master of Arts (MA) or Master of Science (MS) degree and earn the two degrees in seven semesters or six semesters plus two summers. Law students enrolled in a dual JD/MA degree program may earn up to 12 credits toward the JD in graduate level courses. Current options for this dual degree are:

- MA – Art History and Museum Studies
- MA - Bioethics
- MA - History (Legal History)
- MA - Political Science
- MS – Biochemistry

JD/MSW (Master of Social Work)

A dual degree program established by the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences and the School of Law makes it possible for selected full-time students to pursue an integrated program of studies and receive the MSW and JD degrees within four years rather than the normal five years that would be required to earn the two degrees separately. Law students enrolled in the dual JD/MSW program may earn up to 12 credits toward the JD in graduate level MSW courses. 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 MSW and JD degrees simultaneously to be granted credit for specific courses taken in the other program.

JD/MD (Doctor of Medicine)

The School of Law and the School of Medicine offer a specialized dual degree program that allows a student to complete both degrees in six years. Law students enrolled in the dual JD/MD degree program may earn up to 12 credits toward the JD in graduate level MD courses. A student who begins at the law school spends two years studying law, then four years studying medicine. Alternatively, a student may spend the first two years and the last two years at the medical school, and the two middle years at the law school.

JD/MPH (Master of Public Health)

The MPH degree will generally add a year of additional course work to the JD degree, creating a four-year program. Law students enrolled in the dual JD/MPH degree program may earn up to 12 credits toward the JD in graduate level MPH courses. The law school offers several health law courses that meet the MPH elective requirements.