

The University of Michigan Law School  
Dual Degree Program

**Law & Business Administration  
JD/MBA**

The Law School and the Stephen M. Ross School of Business offer a dual degree program that enables students to pursue concurrent work in Law and Business Administration. The program is arranged so that all requirements for both the JD and the MBA can be completed in four years of enrollment.

Law students who have pursued the dual program in Law and Business Administration have cited the professional flexibility provided by substantive knowledge of two distinct fields, as well as the intrinsic intellectual interest of studying very different subjects from different academic approaches and emphases. Students have also appreciated the increased social opportunities presented by enrollment in the two schools.

Students are required to take the complete sequence of first-year courses in one school during the first year of the dual program, and complete the sequence of first-year courses in the other school during the second year of the program. Each school will apply its own deferred admission standards to students who elect to take the first year in the other school. Beyond the basic requirements, students generally are not restricted in their selection of courses in the Law School.

**Basic Requirements for the JD**

Students entering the Law School must complete the required first-year law curriculum.

The JD requires a minimum total of 82 credits earned between Law School courses and courses through the Stephen M. Ross School of Business. Students must earn at least 70 credits toward the JD through courses taken in the Law School.

Law students are required to complete a course in professional responsibility, transnational law, and an upper-class writing requirement.

Twelve (12) credit hours may be earned through courses taken in the Business School. Instructions for requesting Law School credit for non-law courses are posted on the CTools site for dual degree students.

**Basic Requirements for the MBA**

A total of 57 credit hours are required for the MBA, of which at least 45 credit hours must be Business School coursework. Students must complete the required MBA core curriculum. No credit is awarded for Business Administration core courses successfully waived by passing Placement Exams; credit must be earned with Business electives. Students must also complete the MBA communication requirement.

Twelve (12) credit hours may be earned through courses taken in the Law School.

**Additional Requirements**

Applicants interested in the JD/MBA dual degree program must gain separate and independent admission to both the Law School and the Ross School of Business. Applicants should contact the Admissions Office of each school for application and admission information. Students must take the GMAT for admission to Ross and the LSAT for admission to the Law School. The GMAT will not be waived. \*

Students must satisfy the degree requirements of each school and should consult with advisors in each school for the precise graduation requirements for each degree and for information about course offerings. Students should not expect any Law courses beyond first-year courses to be offered in the summer term. Students will not receive credit toward the JD for coursework taken prior to matriculation at the Law School.

During the third and fourth years of the program, students are permitted to elect courses in both schools. Tuition will be assessed at either the Law School or Business School rate, whichever is higher, when courses toward both degrees are taken in one term.

**At the beginning of their final year of study in the combined program, students should consult with their Business School academic advisor and the Law School Registrar regarding progress toward graduation.**

The dual degree program is not open to those who have already earned either the JD or the MBA. Students who are registered in the first or second year at the Law School OR the first year of Ross School of Business may apply to the dual degree program.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **Law School Admissions application materials:**

Admissions Office  
University of Michigan Law School  
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Ann Arbor, MI 48109-3031  
734.764.0537  
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Web Site: [www.law.umich.edu](http://www.law.umich.edu)

### **Law School Dual Degree Programs:**

Office of Student Affairs  
University of Michigan Law School  
307 Hutchins Hall  
625 South State Street  
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1215  
734.615.0019  
Email: [law.dual.degrees@umich.edu](mailto:law.dual.degrees@umich.edu)

### **Ross School of Business application materials:**

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\* Information contained herein is valid as of 8/19/09 and is subject to change. Contact with the appropriate admissions office is advised.