

DUAL JURIS DOCTOR/ MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Students interested in a career requiring complementary skills in both law and business may complete the JD and MBA degrees concurrently. Law courses substitute for electives in the MBA curriculum described in this catalog, and business courses substitute for twelve quarter hours (one quarter) in the JD curriculum. Completing the combined program effectively “saves” one semester and one quarter of study. Students should consult with advisors in both the Law School and Business School to determine the best sequence of courses.

Admission

Students must apply and be accepted separately into both programs. LSAT exam is required for the Law School application. Additional admissions requirements for the MBA can be found under the Business School Admissions.

The worlds of management and law have become inextricably intertwined. To accommodate students contemplating a career where business and law overlap, the Law School and the Hankamer School of Business offer a dual degree program that leads to the simultaneous award of a Juris Doctor (JD) and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree. While the JD program trains students to recognize and analyze legal issues, the MBA program instructs students in management of business enterprises. The JD/MBA program strives to improve the effectiveness of both business managers and legal counsel for business entities by training each to understand the role of the other and the importance of their respective contributions to the successful operation of a business. JD/MBA students should consider pursuing a concentrated course of study at the Law School in Business Transactions or Business Litigation.

Students receive 12 hours of credit toward their JD upon successful completion of the MBA required courses and 12 hours of credit toward their elective requirement for the MBA upon successful completion of Law School coursework. Thus, JD/MBA students complete 114 quarter hours of law courses and 37 semester hours of core graduate business courses. Since both degrees are awarded simultaneously, all requirements in both schools must be completed in order to receive either degree.

Students are required to make regular application for admission to, and be accepted by, both the Law School and the Graduate School. All applicants must take the applicable entrance exam for each school.

Applicants or students interested in pursuing a joint degree must consult with the Law School Associate Dean at their earliest convenience and prior to beginning study on the MBA portion of the joint degree.

Students can consult with Dr. Patsy Norman, Associate Dean for Graduate Business Programs, for questions about the MBA portion of the joint degree.

The following lists the required MBA courses for the dual degree.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Framework Courses		
BUS 5401	Business Frameworks	4
Required Core Courses		
ACC 5300	Accounting Tools for Management Decision Making	3
BUS 5050	Graduate Business Colloquium	0
BUS 5101	Focus Firm I	1
BUS 5385	Strategic Management	3
BUS 5390 or BUS 5111 & BUS 5112	Management Communication Professional Career Development for First Semester Graduate Students and Professional Career Development for Second Semester Graduate Students	2-3
ECO 5340	Economic Tools for Management Decision Making	3
FIN 5360	Seminar in Corporate Finance	3
MGT 5310	Management of Organizational Behavior	3
MGT 5320	Manufacturing and Service Operations	3
MGT 5325	Leadership in the Global Marketplace	3
MKT 5310	Seminar in Marketing Strategy	3
QBA 5330	Business Analytics for Decision Making	3
MIS Requirement		
Select one course from the following:		3
MIS 5342	Business Intelligence	
MIS 5345	Decision Making Using Excel	
MIS 5346	Data Warehousing	
MIS 5355	Management of Information Systems	
Total Hours		37-38