COLLEGE OF LAW
Joint Degree Programs
Application process for students applying after matriculation in the College of Law.

The University of Tulsa College of Law offers ten joint degree programs that allow students to earn a degree in law and a masters in one of the following disciplines:

Master of Business Administration
Master of Science in Finance
Master of Science in Computer Science
Master of Science in Geosciences
Master of Science in Biology
Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology
Master of Arts in Industrial/Organizational Psychology
Master of Arts in English
Master of Arts in History
Master of Arts in Anthropology

A joint degree program is an excellent opportunity for motivated students to simultaneously earn both their law degree and a master's degree from TU in less time than it would take to pursue each degree separately. Candidates who meet our below criteria are invited to consider this unique opportunity.

Candidates must be accepted to both the College of Law and the Graduate School independently and satisfy each college's admission criteria. Student who have already matriculated in the College of Law may apply to the joint degree program. At the end of the first semester in law school, and after showing satisfactory academic progress, a student may apply to the Graduate School for admission. A student also must have a letter of recommendation from the Associate Dean for Student Affairs in order to be considered as an applicant to the Graduate School.

Steps for applying for admission to a joint degree program:

- Submit an *Application for Admission to the College of Law* which requires at least two letters of recommendation, a copy of your transcript reflecting all coursework completed, and a personal statement.

    - (NOTE: The College of Law application is available at www.lsac.org. Applicants to the College of Law are required to apply via the LSAC website. Application fee waivers that enable you to apply for free via the LSAC website are available at https://secureweb.utulsa.edu/law/application/).

- Take the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) which is offered four times a year.

- Register with the LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS). Please note, all candidates must arrange for a copy of their TU undergraduate transcript to be sent to LSAC so that it may be incorporated into the CAS report.

- If admitted to the College of Law, the first year of study (30 hours of credit) will be in the College of Law.

- After the first semester of study in the College of Law, a student who is interested in pursuing a joint degree should contact the Graduate School for information about the admission process. In order to be considered for admission, the student must have a letter of recommendation from the Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the College of Law. The letter must certify that the student has demonstrated satisfactory academic progress and has exhibited the character and fitness to pursue a joint degree program.

- A student must complete the admission process required for the joint degree and must take the GRE or GMAT in order to be admitted. The GRE and/or GMAT may be waived at the discretion of the Graduate School.

- If a student is admitted into a graduate program, the Graduate School will notify the College of Law. The College of Law will advise the student that they have been admitted to the joint degree program.

- After the first year of study in the College of Law, a student will take law classes and classes in the graduate curriculum. Each semester, enrollment must be approved by the

Associate Dean for Student Affairs in the College of Law and the enrollment advisor to the graduate program. A student may not be enrolled in more than 16 hours of credit in both programs combined.

- Both the JD degree and the Master degree will be conferred after all the requirements for each program have been met and all grades have been certified by the University's Office of Enrollment and Registration.

If accepted, what conditions will be placed on me?

- An accepted candidate must maintain a cumulative law GPA of 2.00 and a cumulative graduate GPA of 3.00 to remain in both programs.
- An accepted candidate must maintain comportment in a manner consistent with the expectations of the legal profession and remain in good standing with the University of Tulsa.
- A student who is a recipient of a law scholarship must be enrolled in law credit hours in each semester in order to maintain the scholarship.
- A student may not enroll in more than 16 hours of credit in any regular semester and 10 hours of credit in any summer semester. The extra work associated with graduate courses needs to be considered and full time enrollment in the Graduate School is 9 credit hours per semester.
- A student accepted to a joint degree program will be charged the applicable tuition rate for law unless the student is enrolled exclusively in graduate courses.
- A student cannot complete a joint degree program in less than six regular semesters and two summer semesters, but both degrees must be completed within six calendar years. The recommended course of study is four years.
- Both degrees must be completed before either is awarded.

What are the credit requirements and descriptions for the joint degrees:

JD/MASTER OF SCIENCE IN GEOSCIENCES

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 19 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 27 hours of graduate courses in geosciences.

For students interested in environmental law, knowledge of the geosciences provides an important advantage in cases that involve energy, mining, water and environmental concerns.

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JD/MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 19 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 79 hours of law courses and 27 hours in the English graduate program.

Students of law and English who are interested in the literature of law, in publishing, in working with various media or in having a degree that enhances career flexibility will find the combined program attractive.

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JD/MASTER OF ARTS IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 19 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 36 hours in the clinical psychology program.

The study of clinical psychology can be of substantial benefit by providing students with a solid foundation in theories of personality and psychopathology, principles and techniques of psychological assessment and intervention, and methods of psychological research.

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JD/MASTER OF ARTS IN INDUSTRIAL/OGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Student must choose from two plans:

Plan 1: 81 hours of law courses and 30 hours in the graduate program in I/O psychology
Plan 2: 78 hours of law courses and 33 hours in the graduate program in I/O psychology

Both plans reduce the total requirements for the two degrees by 19 hours.

This program is a good fit for those interested in understanding the psychology of employment, the scientific methods and principles that promote fairness, and the psychological applications and interventions in organizations that are legally defensible.

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JD/MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16-19 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours (thesis option) or 27 hours (non-thesis) of graduate course computer science.

Students interested in this program will be qualified for careers in intellectual property boutique law firms, in general practice firms with clients in the high technology field, as in-house counsel in the high technology industry, and in government agencies dealing with high technology regulation.

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JD/MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16 hours
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours at the graduate level in the Collins College of Business.
- Must have 30 hours of prerequisite business-related courses before being fully admitted to the MBA program.

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JD/MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours in the biology graduate program.
- Students must choose from 1 of 4 areas of specialization: environmental sciences, genetics, cellular biology and organismic biology.

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JD/MASTER OF ARTS IN HISTORY

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16 hours (19 for non-thesis option).
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours (thesis option) or 27 hours (non-thesis option) of

graduate courses in history.

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JD/MASTER OF ARTS IN ANTHROPOLOGY

- Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16 hours.
- Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours (including a thesis) in the anthropology graduate program.

Program significantly enhances student's credentials when practicing in the areas of international law or the study of Native American law.

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JD/MASTER OF SCIENCE IN FINANCE

-Reduces the total requirements for the two degrees by 16 hours.
-Curriculum consists of 78 hours of law courses and 24 hours at the graduate level in the Collins College of Business.
-Students must choose from one of three areas of specialization: corporate finance, investment portfolio management, and risk management.

Graduates will have a level of understanding of finance and law that will allow them to operate at the highest levels of finance and securities law, corporate law, intellectual property protection and regulatory compliance.

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Questions?

Contact any of the following for further information or with your questions:

- **College of Law**

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