

Dual Degree: Master of Business Administration & Juris Doctor

Plan Description

The William S. Boyd School of Law and the Lee Business School offer a dual Juris Doctor (JD) and Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree program that allows students to be admitted in both programs and achieve the JD and MBA degrees simultaneously. As a concurrent program, the dual degree requires that students satisfy the degree requirements of both programs. The JD/MBA dual degree requires 80 Law credit hours and 30 MBA credit hours. Under the dual degree program 12 credit hours of Law courses are accepted towards the MBA degree and nine credit hours of MBA courses are accepted towards the JD degree.

For more information about your program, including your graduate program handbook and learning outcomes, please visit the Degree Directory.

Plan Admission Requirements

Application deadlines

Applications available on the UNLV Graduate College website.

Applicants to the JD/MBA program must submit formal applications for admission to both the William S. Boyd School of Law and to the Graduate College. Students must meet the requirements for admission to both programs. Admission requirements are the same as those stated under the regular JD and MBA programs. For information on the MBA program application procedures, interested individuals should contact the Lee Business School-MBA Program at (702) 895-3655 or go to <http://business.unlv.edu> or the William S. Boyd School of Law at (702) 895-2440 or go to <http://www.law.unlv.edu>

While applications from current students in either program will be considered, students normally should seek and satisfy admission to enter both programs upon entering the university. However, petitions requesting admission to the dual JD/MBA program from students at more advanced stages in either program will be considered.

All domestic and international applicants must review and follow the Graduate College Admission and Registration Requirements.

Students are accepted into a degree program as described in the Graduate Catalog. The faculty and corresponding sub-disciplines and sub-plans within the described programs are subject to change at any time.

Plan Requirements

Total Credits Required: 110

Course Requirements

Total Credits Required for the Business Administration M.B.A.: 30

MBA Core Required Courses – Credits: 18

MBA 761 Accounting for Managers	3
MBA 763 Leadership, Teams, and Individuals	3
MBA 765 Financial Decision Making	3
MBA 767 Market Opportunity Analysis	3
MBA 769 Applied Economic Analysis	3
MBA 775 Data Modeling and Analysis	3

Electives – Credits: 9

Complete 9 credits of electives from any 700-level course offered by the Lee Business School.

Capstone Course – Credits: 3

MBA 787 Strategic Management	3
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Total Credits Required for the Juris Doctor: 80

Required Courses - 44 credits

Directed Electives - 18 credits

Free Electives - 18 credits

Degree Requirements

Students must be admitted to both the JD and MBA programs with graduate standing. The candidates must successfully complete the 80 credit hours of Law course work and 30 credit hours of the MBA required course work.

William S. Boyd School of Law cannot award credit for any class taken before matriculation. JD/MBA candidates must therefore enroll at the School of Law before taking any MBA courses to

be counted toward the JD degree.

A maximum of six credit hours taken prior to admission to the JD/MBA program may be applied towards the MBA degree requirement. This includes all courses taken as a fully admitted graduate MBA student at an AACSB accredited business school, as an admitted law student at UNLV, or as a non-admitted student at UNLV before admission to the MBA program.

JD/MBA candidates who subsequently decide to pursue only the JD or only the MBA must complete the degree program in its entirety and subject to the same rules and requirements as students not pursuing the JD/MBA program. Because students must finish both programs to receive credit toward the JD/MBA, degrees will not be awarded until both programs are finished.

JD/MBA candidates must comply with the requirements for all students regarding the maximum amount of time for completion of a degree program. Law students have a maximum of 7 years to complete the J.D. degree. The Graduate College imposes a six-year time limit for completion of a master's program.

JD/MBA candidates may not receive credit for taking courses outside their degree program without prior approval.

Student honors and class ranks at the William S. Boyd School of Law will be computed based solely on law classes. Student honors and class ranks at the Lee Business School will be computed based solely on classes taken as business classes.

Students in the JD/MBA program must remain in good standing at both JD and MBA programs.

Students in the JD/MBA program are subject to the same rules and regulations that apply to all students at the William S. Boyd School of Law and the Lee Business School.

The listing of courses does not constitute a binding commitment that the courses will be offered during the student's course of study or that the graduation requirements will remain unchanged.

Plan Graduation Requirements

Students cannot graduate from one portion of the dual degree until the requirements for both are met.

Students must apply to graduate from both programs. However, for the same semester. The exception will be made to allow law students who add their MBA during the final year. Law students to be able to add the MBA and of their law program, they will graduate from their law program on schedule. They will continue, and have but must complete their MBA program requirements within one year, to finish the MBA program after they graduate graduating from the Law School law school. The student must submit all required forms to the Graduate College and then apply for graduation up to two semesters prior to completing his/her degree requirements. Successful completion of the MBA capstone course.