



### **General Protocols for JD Dual Degrees**

*Assumption is that most dual degree applicants will be students already admitted to and enrolled in the UNH Law School. However, some applicants will be students already admitted and enrolled in approved UNH Graduate School programs. In addition, some students may apply to UNH Graduate and UNH Law programs concurrently. In such cases, the following guidelines may need to be modified.*

### **Admission**

- JD students must apply during their first year at the Law School in order to be eligible.
- The JD/MBA program has two possible entry points:
  - Enrolled JD student applies to MBA during first year of Law School. If admitted to MBA, then second year is taken at MBA and third year plus is taken at Law School.
  - Student applies for concurrent admission to dual degree. If admitted to both JD and MBA, then first year is taken at Law School, second year is taken at MBA, and third year plus is taken at Law School.
- The JD/MSW program has three possible entry points:
  - Enrolled JD student applies to MBA during first year of Law School.
  - Enrolled MSW student applies to JD during first semester of MSW program.
  - Apply for concurrent admission to both JD and MSW program.
- Current JD students will apply to Graduate School programs using the regular on-line admission form. Current graduate students will apply to the JD program using the regular online LSAC application. Concurrent applicants will apply to UNH Graduate School programs using the regular on-line admission form and Law programs using the regular online LSAC application.
- LSAT will be accepted in lieu of the GMAT or GRE if required for UNH Graduate School program admission.
- Review of application will be conducted by the appropriate faculty body and decision will be communicated by the Law School for JD applications and the Graduate School for graduate applications.
- The Graduate School and Law School will copy each other on their official admission email letters.
- Application fee:
  - UNH Graduate School will waive the application fee for JD students applying to UNH graduate programs.
  - Law School will waive the application fee for UNH graduate students applying to Law.
  - In cases of concurrent applications, the application fee must be paid to both UNH Graduate School and Law School.
- See below for additional program-specific application instructions.

### **Costs**

- Each dual degree program will have a tuition agreement that reflects the reduced time to degree for the two programs with the Law School and the UNH graduate program sharing a proportional cost.
- The UNH Associate Provost for Academic Administration and the Law School Business Service Center (with approval from Law School Dean) are jointly responsible for the specifics of the tuition sharing agreement.
- Financial Aid will be processed as appropriate.



- UNH requires student health insurance for all full-time enrolled students. Opt Out information can be found on the UNH Health Services website.
- Details on costs are available via the UNH Business Services Office (<http://www.unh.edu/business-services/contact.html>).

#### **New Hampshire Residency Status**

- All applicants must follow the normal UNH residency guidelines and processes in order to be considered for NH residency status.
- Residency is determined by the School of initial enrollment (e.g., a student applying first to Law School has their residency determined by Law). In cases of concurrent application to dual degrees, the program of initial enrollment is the determining body.
- Appeals to residency decisions are reviewed by the UNH Registrar's Office.

#### **Degree Program:**

- Graduate and Law coursework will be accepted in accordance with the approved curriculum for the dual degree.
- B- is the minimum grade for acceptance of Law courses towards Graduate School program requirements. Graduate School programs may set a higher standard.
- C is the minimum grade for acceptance of Graduate courses to Law programs.
- UNH will award the appropriate degree at the conclusion of each degree's program of study.
- All standard policies relating to time to degree, residency requirements, academic standards, and minimum GPA required to graduate apply to any dual degree.
- If a student withdraws from one of the participating programs, the dual degree arrangement is automatically nullified.
- Dual degree students cannot enroll in total of more than 17 credits per semester.<sup>1</sup>
- UNH graduate coursework taken prior to enrollment in the JD program cannot be used towards JD requirements.

#### **Miscellany:**

- Each dual degree program will have a unique set of major codes in the UNH Banner System.
  - In cases of dual degree, JD will be listed in Banner as the primary degree.
- The Office of International Students and Scholars at UNH and UNH Law will be notified of application and admission of international students to dual degree programs. Both offices will manage the specific visa implications for international students when and if they arise.
- Dual degree students must submit the JD Dual Degree Credit Approval Request Form in order to request Law courses to count towards graduate degrees and vice versa.
- Withdrawing students must submit the Dual Degree Withdrawal Form. Withdrawing from one of the programs (but remaining active in the other) will impact the student's tuition rate.
- The Law School will host the information on dual degrees, including this protocols document.

#### **JD/MBA Program-Specific Protocols**

##### **Admissions:**

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<sup>1</sup> This will be monitored by the Law School Assistant Dean (currently Fran Canning).



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- An LSAT score may be submitted in place of the GMAT for application to MBA. In the case where the LSAT is taken more than once by an applicant, the highest score will be considered. This is parallel to UNH Law's admissions policy.
- Admission to MBA normally requires pre-stipulation of a 3.0 GPA at Law School at end of first JD year. A statement of support from the Law School is required for admission.
- Successful interview with MBA program director required in some cases.

### Degree Program:

- The Law School will accept 12 MBA credits toward the JD.
- Courses eligible for transfer from the MBA program to the JD Degree program are:
  1. International Business, ADMN 840, 3 credits
  2. Organizational Behavior, ADMN 912, 3 credits
  3. Management Accounting, ADMN 919, 3 credits
  4. Financial Management, ADMN 930, 3 credits
  5. Managerial Decision Making, ADMN 956, 3 credits
  6. Marketing Management, ADMN 960, 3 credits
  7. Economics, ADMN 970, 3 credits
- The MBA program will accept 9 Law credits. Law courses eligible for acceptance will be determined on a case-by-case basis by MBA.

### JD/MSW Program-Specific Protocols

#### Admissions:

- All students applying to the JD/MSW program must take the LSAT.
- A statement of support from the Law School is required for admission to the MSW program.

#### Degree Program:

- The MSW program will accept 9 Law credits towards the elective requirements. These must be Law courses that relate to social work.
- Law will accept 12 MSW credits towards the JD.