LAW, J.D. & BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, M.B.A. DUAL DEGREE

The dual degree Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration offered through Saint Louis University School of Law (https://www.slu.edu/law/) and the Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business (https://www.slu.edu/business/) gives students the opportunity to solve complex legal and business problems, develop advanced data analysis skills to meet industry demand, and work directly with practicing attorneys and clients through professional skills courses, legal clinics and field placements. Students also have the advantage of learning from renowned professors in both schools and tapping into each school’s respective alumni network, while receiving distinctive training rooted in service and ethical leadership.

SLU’s J.D./MBA provides an awareness of the functional relationship between the legal system, business and administrative organizations. The increasing complexity of both business organizations and nonprofit institutions makes such understanding important for students considering careers in corporate law, private practice dealing with businesses, and government or public service. Other career options include in-house counsel, corporate real estate, white collar crime investigation, management consulting, or nonprofit work. An attorney with a graduate degree in business has the distinct analytical training and in-depth perspective of each field, equipping them with a comprehensive approach that serves as a tremendous asset to any company or organization and puts them at a substantial advantage in the job market.

In this dual degree program, students complete both degrees spending less time and money than if they obtained the degrees separately. The first year of study is spent completing the basic curriculum in the School of Law. The following summer, fall and spring semesters, students enroll in business courses and complete their MBA. Students then use the remaining three semesters to complete their law program.

For additional information see the catalog entries for the following programs:

Business Administration, M.B.A. (One-Year) (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/business/business-administration/business-administration-one-year-mba/)

Law, J.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/law/juris-doctor/)

Accreditation

The Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the world’s largest business education alliance and accrediting body of business schools, ensuring continuous quality improvement in terms of curriculum, instructional resources, student selection, career placement and intellectual contributions and qualifications of the faculty. Fewer than 5 percent of business schools worldwide have achieved AACSB accreditation.

Saint Louis University School of Law has been continuously accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) since December 1924. The accrediting body is the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar of the American Bar Association, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60654, 312-988-6738.

Admission

Students who wish to enter the J.D./MBA program must fulfill all admission requirements for the School of Law and the Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business. They must apply to each separately.

Requirements

The School of Law accepts nine credits of MBA coursework toward the J.D.

Continuation Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 in all graduate/professional courses.