Formal Dual Degree Programs

A formal dual degree program links two master’s degrees or a master’s program with a JD program and leads to two degrees. The Graduate Council and the Senior Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Education must approve all proposals for formal dual degree programs.

There are two types of formal dual degree programs. Type one incorporates two distinct disciplines where students complete two separate sets of core courses and reduce electives. Type two incorporates two areas of study within one discipline where students can cross-count a common set of core courses and take separate sets of electives.

Dual degrees must be pursued concurrently, not consecutively. In order to meet this requirement, students interested in pursuing a dual degree must be matriculated in both programs for one full academic year (three quarters or two semesters). Students in a one-year program must matriculate into the second program no later than the first admission term following fifty percent (50%) coursework completion of the first program.

Students are required to complete both degree programs within five years of matriculation in the first program. Students must apply for graduation for both programs and both degrees will be awarded at the same time.

With fully developed and approved curricula, these programs are available to graduate students who are admitted to both schools and submit the Graduate Formal Dual Degree Verification Form ([https://www.du.edu/sites/g/files/lnuqz251/files/2018-11/formal_dual_degree_verification_2018-2019.pdf](https://www.du.edu/sites/g/files/lnuqz251/files/2018-11/formal_dual_degree_verification_2018-2019.pdf)) during the program’s first term. For program details, please contact the school, college or department.

Juris Doctor and Master of Laws in Environmental and Natural Resources Law and Policy

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- LLM credits required with dual degree: 24 semester credits
- LLM credit reduction: 0 semester credits from the original 24 required for the LLM
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 104 semester credits

Juris Doctor

Admission Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext))

Degree Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext))

Master of Laws in Environmental and Natural Resources Law and Policy

Admission Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext))

Degree Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext))

Juris Doctor and Master of Laws in International Business Transactions

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- LLM credits required with dual degree: 24 semester credits
- LLM credit reduction: 0 semester credits from the original 24 required for the LLM
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 104 semester credits

Juris Doctor

Admission Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext))

Degree Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext))

Master of Laws in International Business Transactions

Admission Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext))

Degree Requirements ([http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext](http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext))
Juris Doctor and Master of Science in Legal Administration

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- MSLA credits required with dual degree: 27 semester credits
- MSLA credit reduction: 3 semester credits from the original 30 required for the MSLA
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 107 semester credits

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Master of Science in Legal Administration
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Juris Doctor and Master of Laws in Taxation

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- LLM credits required with dual degree: 45 quarter credits
- LLM credit reduction: 0 quarter credits from the original 45 required for the LLM
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 125 (80 semester credits and 45 quarter credits)

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Master of Laws in Taxation
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Juris Doctor and Master of Public Policy

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- MPP credits required with dual degree: 50 quarter credits
- MPP credit reduction: 10 quarter credits from the original 60 required for the MPP
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 130 (80 semester credits and 50 quarter credits)

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Master of Public Policy
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Juris Doctor and Master of Business Administration: The Denver MBA

- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- MBA credits required with dual degree: 60 quarter credits

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements

Master of Business Administration
Admission Requirements
Degree Requirements
• MBA credit reduction: 20 quarter credits from the original 80 required for the MBA
• Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 140 (80 semester credits and 60 quarter credits)

**Juris Doctor**
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Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

**Master of Business Administration: The Denver MBA**
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielscollegeofbusiness/generalbusiness/#admissionrequirementstext)

Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielscollegeofbusiness/generalbusiness/#programofstudytext)

**Juris Doctor and Master of Science in Computer Science**
• JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
• JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
• MS credits required with dual degree: 40 quarter credits
• MS credit reduction: 8 quarter credits from the original 48 required for the MS
• Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 120 (80 semester credits and 40 quarter credits)

**Juris Doctor**
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext)

Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

**Master of Science in Computer Science**
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielfelixritchie/schoolofengineeringandcomputerscience/computerscience/#admissionrequirementstext)

Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielfelixritchie/schoolofengineeringandcomputerscience/computerscience/#programofstudytext)

**Juris Doctor and Master of Science in Healthcare leadership**
• JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
• JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
• MS credits required with dual degree: 36 quarter credits
• MS credit reduction: 12 quarter credits from the original 48 required for the MS
• Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 116 (80 semester credits and 36 quarter credits)

**Juris Doctor**
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext)

Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

**Master of Science in Healthcare Management**
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/universitycollege/healthcareleadership/#admissionrequirementstext)

Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/universitycollege/healthcareleadership/#programofstudytext)

**Juris Doctor and Master of Science in Real Estate and the Built Environment**
• JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
• JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
• MS credits required with dual degree: 35 quarter credits
• MS credit reduction: 13 quarter credits from the original 48 required for the MS
• Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 115 (80 semester credits and 35 quarter credits)
Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

Master of Science in Real Estate and the Built Environment
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielscollegeofbusiness/generalbusiness/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/danielscollegeofbusiness/generalbusiness/#programofstudytext)

Juris Doctor and Master of Arts in Geography
- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- MA credits required with dual degree: 35 quarter credits
- MA credit reduction: 10 quarter credits from the original 45 required for the MA
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 115 (80 semester credits and 35 quarter credits)

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

Master of Arts in Geography
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/divisionofnaturalscienceandmathematics/geographyandtheenvironment/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/divisionofnaturalscienceandmathematics/geographyandtheenvironment/#programofstudytext)

Juris Doctor and Master of Social Work
- JD credits required with dual degree: 80 semester credits
- JD credit reduction with dual degree: 10 semester credits from the original 90 required for the JD
- MSW credits required with dual degree: 75 quarter credits
- MSW credit reduction: 15 quarter credits from the original 90 required for the MSW
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 155 (80 semester credits and 75 quarter credits)

Juris Doctor
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)

Master of Social Work
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/socialwork/socialwork/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/socialwork/socialwork/#programofstudytext)

Master of Legal Studies and Master of Social Work
- MSW credits required with dual degree: 75 quarter credits
- MSW credit reduction with dual degree: 15 quarter credits from the original 90 required for the MSW
- MLS credits required with dual degree: 24 semester credits
- MLS credit reduction: 6 semester credits from the original 30 required for the MLS
- Minimum number of credits required with dual degree: 99 (75 quarter credits and 24 semester credits)

Master of Social Work
Admission Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/socialwork/socialwork/#admissionrequirementstext)
Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/socialwork/socialwork/#programofstudytext)

**Master of Legal Studies**

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Degree Requirements (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/schoolscollegesanddivisions/law/law/#programofstudytext)