

Dual Degree: Washington College of Law and Kogod School of Business
LL.M. in International Legal Studies/MBA

The Washington College of Law (WCL) and the Kogod School of Business are pleased to offer the Master of Laws (LL.M.)/Master of Business Administration (MBA) dual degree program – the first of its kind in the United States. This innovative program offers students the unique opportunity to earn an [LL.M. in International Legal Studies](#) from Washington College of Law and an [MBA degree](#) from the Kogod School of Business within two years.

LL.M. in International Legal Studies

With approximately 170 students from over 50 countries, the [LL.M. in International Legal Studies](#) is one of the most intellectually and culturally diverse programs in the nation. The program offers a [flexible curriculum](#) with more than 45 courses per semester that can be customized to suit students' career and personal goals. Innovative and engaging teaching methods include simulation exercises, video conferences, and role play. Outside the classroom, a rich variety of experiential learning, internships, seminars, and events allow students to interact and network with leading attorneys, diplomats, business leaders, and policy makers.

MBA Program

The [MBA program](#) at the Kogod School of Business provides a solid grounding in theory combined with the specific skills needed to manage in an environment of rapid technological development and tightly integrated international markets.

The [dual LL.M./MBA program](#) allows students to develop both the legal and business skills necessary to tackle complex business transactions and to succeed in today's global economy.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must satisfy the admission requirements of both the LL.M. in International Legal Studies and the MBA program to be admitted into the dual degree program. Students may apply for the dual degree at the beginning of their application process (preferred) or may wait until they have begun the LL.M. program, but admission to the LL.M. program is a required first step. Students applying to the LL.M./MBA program are **not** required to take the LSAT or GMAT exam.

Application Process

Students applying to the dual LL.M./MBA program will first [apply to the LL.M. in International Legal Studies](#) and indicate in the statement of purpose their interest in applying to the dual LL.M./MBA degree. Once a completed LL.M. application is received, the students file will be transferred to the Kogod School of Business for review and an admissions decision. Admission

to either the LL.M. in International Legal Studies or the MBA program does not guarantee admission to the other.

Application Deadlines

- Fall (program beginning mid-August): May 1
- Spring (program beginning early January): October 1

Students can begin the LL.M./MBA dual degree in either the fall or spring semesters. Students are urged to apply to the dual degree from the beginning of their graduate course of study; however, applications of students already enrolled in either the LL.M. or the MBA will be reviewed.

Admission to the LL.M. in International Legal Studies

- Applicants must have completed a law degree at a U.S. law school accredited by the American Bar Association, or at a foreign law school with equivalent standards
- Submit application before deadline
- \$55 application fee
- Official copies of Academic Records
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Non-native English Speakers: Official Proof of Competency in English (scores sent directly from testing agency)
- Visa Related Documentation (for students requesting an F-1 student visa)

Upon successful completion of the LL.M. application, the student's file will be transferred to the Kogod School of Business for review. The Kogod School of Business will contact each student via email upon receipt of the transferred file. Additionally, the Kogod School of Business requires:

Admission to the MBA Program

- Applicants complete the [online MBA application form](#) (the MBA application fee is waived)
- Updated Statement of Purpose and Resume if applying to the dual degree while currently enrolled in the LL.M. program
- The MBA program requires a 100 on the TOEFL internet-based (600 on paper-based TOEFL) or a 7.0 on the IELTS exam

Fees and Financial Information

- Students may apply for scholarships and [tuition remission through WCL](#) when enrolled at WCL.

Tuition

- While completing the LL.M. degree, students will pay the [WCL tuition rate](#).

- The WCL tuition rate will be paid for both WCL and MBA courses taken while completing the LL.M. requirements.
- Once the LL.M. requirements are met, students will be switched to MBA student status and will pay the [MBA graduate tuition rate](#) for their remaining MBA credits.

LL.M./MBA Degree Requirements

Students enrolled in the LL.M./MBA dual degree must complete 16 credits in the LL.M. program and 33 credits in the MBA program. During the first year of study, students will be enrolled in both programs and will be expected to complete the 16 LL.M. credits within 2-3 semesters (including the summer semester). The second year of study will be limited to MBA courses. ***Neither degree may be awarded until all of the course work for both degrees has been completed.***

LL.M. Requirements

- Successful completion of two research papers that demonstrate a high degree of skill in legal scholarship and writing. The papers written in Legal Research and Writing (LAW-580-002) fulfill one of the paper requirements. The second paper must be written as part of a seminar class or an independent study. Students who wish to specialize in a subject area must write the second paper in their area of specialization.
- Students from non-common law backgrounds are required to take American Legal Institutions (LAW 580-001) and Legal Research and Writing (LAW 580-002) in their first semester.

MBA Requirements

In the first year of the dual degree, students are required to complete:

- At least 2 of the following four courses (these courses are offered in both the fall and spring semesters):
 1. ACCT-607 | Accounting Concepts and Applications
 2. FIN-605 | Managerial Economics
 3. ITEC-610 | Applied Managerial Statistics
 4. MKTG-612 | Marketing Management

In the second year, students will complete the remaining 24-27 credits of the core curriculum, including a 3-credit capstone class, KSB-613 Strategic Decision Making.

Bar Exam

Students interested in sitting for the New York bar exam must complete 24 credits within the LL.M. degree and must take the following courses: Legal Research and Writing, American Legal Institutions, US Business Law, Legal Ethics, and US Contract Law. Because of the additional requirements for the bar exam, students who plan to sit for the bar are urged to meet with

Catherine Schenker, the academic advisor for the LL.M. in International Legal Studies, before registering for courses.

LL.M./MBA Course of Study Examples

	Fall	Spring	Summer	Fall	Spring	Fall
Option 1	LLM: 8 credits MBA: FIN-605 ITEC-610	LLM: 8 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612		MBA	MBA	
Option 2	LLM: 6-8 credits MBA: FIN-605 ITEC-610	LLM: 6-8 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612	LLM: 1-4 credits	MBA	MBA	
Option 3	LLM: 8-13 credits	LLM: 3-8 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612		MBA	MBA	
Option 4		LLM: 10-12 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612	LLM: 4-6 credits	MBA	MBA	
Option 5		LLM: 8 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612		LLM: 8 credits MBA: FIN-605 ITEC-610	MBA	MBA
Option 6		LLM: 6-8 credits MBA: ACCT-607 MKTG-612	LLM: 1-4 credits	LLM: 6-8 credits MBA: FIN-605 ITEC-610	MBA	MBA