

LAW, MS

Overview

for the degree of Master of Science in Law (online)

The online MS in Law, which is focused on applied legal strategy for business and tech, is a flexible, asynchronous program tailored to ambitious working professionals in business, compliance, technology, and related fields who seek to advance their careers without pausing their professional lives. Requiring just 8 courses this program equips students with practical, high-impact legal skills to navigate regulatory complexities, mitigate risks, communicate strategically with legal counsel, and drive ethical innovation in dynamic industries. Whether you're aiming for leadership roles like Chief Compliance Officer, Tech Policy Advisor, or Human Resources Director, or simply want to enhance your decision-making in fast-evolving sectors, the curriculum emphasizes real-world applications through case studies and simulations. Choose to concentrate by completing at least 4 of your 5 elective courses in one area (Business Compliance; or Tech & Privacy) for a specialized credential, or mix freely for broader expertise. Delivered fully online with no set class times and instruction and assignments that can be broken down flexibly into manageable bits, this program is tailored to the schedules of working professionals. It includes a variety of standalone, stackable certificates for quick upskilling and a pathway to the MS in Law degree.

Degree Requirements

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Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		12
LAW 510	Introduction to the Law for Graduate Students	
LAW 511	Legal Reasoning for Graduate Students	
LAW 512	Computer Literacy for Graduate Students	
Optional Concentrations (Pick One or None)		0 or 16
Business Compliance		
Tech & Privacy		
Electives		4 to 20
LAW 520	Ethics and Compliance for Graduate Students	
LAW 521	Corporate Governance for Graduate Students	
LAW 522	Supply Chain Oversight for Graduate Students	
LAW 523	Antitrust Law for Graduate Students	
LAW 524	Securities Law for Graduate Students	
LAW 525	Business Organizations for Graduate Students	
LAW 530	Employment Discrimination for Graduate Students	
LAW 531	Individual Employee Rights for Graduate Students	

LAW 532	Employee Benefits for Graduate Students
LAW 540	AI Governance and Compliance for Graduate Students
LAW 541	AI and Data Privacy for Graduate Students
LAW 542	AI Ethics & Bias for Graduate Students
LAW 543	Cyberthreats and Compliance for Graduate Students
LAW 544	Cyber Risk Mitigation for Graduate Students
LAW 545	Cyber Incident Response for Graduate Students
LAW 546	Intellectual Property of Emerging Tech for Graduate Students
LAW 547	Health Tech Law & Privacy for Graduate Students
LAW 548	Frontiers of Technology Law for Graduate Students
Total Hours	32

Other Requirements

Requirement	Description
Minimum GPA: 2.75	
Minimum Hours at 500 Level: 12	

Learning Outcomes

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Upon completion, graduates will be able to:

1. Understand core legal principles across business, technology, and compliance, while identifying when to engage legal counsel.
2. Apply legal concepts in simulated case studies to communicate risks and strategies to non-legal stakeholders.
3. Analyze interdisciplinary scenarios, contrasting legal reasoning with strategic, business, and ethical reasoning to align with compliance, business or innovation goals.
4. Evaluate alternative business or tech strategies in real-world applications, recommending improvements for JD-advantage roles such as compliance officers, HR specialists, or CIOs.
5. Create action plans or reports synthesizing legal insights with industry needs, integrating input from legal counsel and other stakeholders for career advancement.

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