

Joint Degree Programs



MBA/J.D. M Tax/J.D. MSM-HR/J.D.

Joint Degree Program Description:

The School of Law and the College of Business Administration (CBA) offers joint programs in legal and administrative studies (JD/MBA), legal and management studies (JD/MSM-HR) and legal and taxation studies (JD/MTax). The total amount of time required to complete joint degree program is shorter than the time required to complete both programs independently because required courses in one college fulfill course requirements in the other college.

For acceptance in to the joint degree program you must apply to, and be accepted by, both the School of Law and the College of Business Administration Graduate Programs. Contact each college independently for information concerning admission criteria and procedures. No matter what your area of undergraduate study, you are eligible to apply for a joint program.

Most students complete the first year of law school without taking any graduate courses in the College of Business Administration. Sometime during the first or second year of law school you should make an appointment with a Graduate Advisor in the College of Business Administration for counseling. During the second or third years of law school, course work may include both law and business administration courses.

Termination of Joint Status:

Should the JD degree be conferred before earning any credits in the CBA, joint status terminates, including any liberal transfer policy. Reapplication for joint status is not possible.

Application for the Joint Degree Program

Application for joint program admission is a three-step process:

- You must fulfill all the requirements of, and meet all the standards for regular admission to the School of Law.
- You must fulfill all the requirements of, and meet all the standards of, regular admission to the College of Business Administration. This step can be completed after you are accepted for Law School and must be completed BEFORE you can be accepted for the joint program and BEFORE any master's classes are taken.
- You must apply for the joint program by completing and filing the "Application for Joint Degree Program"



For more information or to meet with an advisor:

Call us: Law: 1-800-4.AKRON.U CBA: (330)972-7043
Email us: Law: lawadmissions@uakron.edu CBA: cbagrad@uakron.edu

**Procedures for Applying to the Joint Degree Program with the
College of Business Administration (CBA)**

Applicants should follow the following procedures to make the application and admission process as smooth and speedy as possible.

1. Fill out the following forms:
 - Online Graduate School Application <https://app.applyyourself.com/?id=uakron-g>
 1. Letter of intent/personal statement for Business
 2. Resume
 3. **Two new reference letters are required** in addition to any submitted to the School of Law.
 4. The Graduate School Application Fee. The fee is \$30 for a domestic applicant or \$40 for an international applicant.
 - LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form
 - Joint Degree Application Form
 - College of Business Financial Aid Application. (School of Law students are ineligible for Tuition Scholarships since they are not full-time CBA students.). Information and the application form are available online at <http://www.uakron.edu/colleges/cba/graduate/financialaid.php>.
2. Print out a copy of your online Graduate Application and attached it to the LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form.
3. Submit the LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form to the School of Law staff for processing.

The School of Law will forward copies of your transcripts and LSAT scores to the Graduate School and the Graduate Programs in Business Office.

Once all application materials are received in the Graduate School they will forward the material to the CBA Graduate Programs Office. The applicant will be evaluated at the next monthly meeting of the Graduate Admissions Committee.

For Questions regarding CBA admission status contact us at:

Office: Graduate Programs in Business, CBA Room 412
The University of Akron
Akron, OH 44325-4805
Phone: 330-972-7043
FAX: 330-972-6588
e-mail: gradcba@uakron.edu

LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form

For use by students interested in a Joint Degree Program in Business



To: Student Records, School of Law

Please provide copies of my LSDAS report, LSDAS essay, recommendation letters, writing sample and all transcripts (undergraduate, law and graduate) on file to the Graduate Programs in Business Office and the Graduate School to be used in evaluating my admission to the Joint Degree program.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Social Security Number/UA ID: _____ Date: _____

Program (check one): JD/MBA JD/MTax JD/MSM-HR

Please send all information to:

Myra Weakland, Assistant Director
CBA Graduate Programs
Mail code: 4805
FAX: (330)972-6588

AND Tracy McCune
Graduate School
Mail Code : 2101
FAX : (330)972-6475

For Law School Office Use Only: Completed: _____

(Date)

(Initials)

The University of Akron
Application for Joint Degree



School of Law
and
College of Business Administration

Student Information:

Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Check the appropriate responses:

I have APPLIED to the School of Law

_____ I have been ADMITTED to the School of Law

_____ I am ENROLLED in the School of Law

_____ I have APPLIED to the Graduate School

_____ I have been ADMITTED to the Graduate School

_____ I am ENROLLED in the Graduate School

_____ My LSAT score is: _____ My GMAT score is: _____

_____ I plan to take the LSAT on: _____
(date)

I AM APPLYING FOR: _____ JD/MBA _____ JD/MTAX _____ JD/MSM-HR
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Date

Student's Signature

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approval Procedure:

This form must be approved by all three departments. It will be each department's responsibility to sign and forward to whichever department has not yet signed.

After all 3 departments have signed this form, it should be returned by campus mail to:

Lauri S. Thorpe
School of Law, 2901

Lauri Thorpe will then send a congratulatory letter to the student and a copy to Dr. Tausig, Dr. Divoky, and University Registrar Hayes.

Admitted to the School of Law

Lauri S. Thorpe, Director of Admissions and Financial Assistance

Date

Admitted to the College of Business

Myra Weakland, Assistant Director, Graduate Programs in Business

Date

Admitted to the Graduate School

Dr. Mark Tausig, Associate Dean, Graduate School

Date

(Return completed form to Lauri S. Thorpe, Law 2901)