Graduate Programs in Business School of Law

MSA/J.D.



Joint Degree Programs

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Joint Degree Program Description:

MBA/J.D.

The School of Law and the College of Business Administration (CBA) offers joint programs in legal and administrative studies (JD/MBA), legal and taxation studies (JD/MTax) and legal and accounting studies (JD/MSA). JD/MBA students should apply for the interdisciplinary concentration to maximize the 9 credits of law transfer coursework.

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
 - Letter of intent/personal statement for Business
 - Resume
 - **Two new reference letters are required** in addition to any submitted to the School of Law.
 - The Graduate School Application Fee. The fee is \$40 for a domestic applicant or \$60 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/cba/graduate/paying-for-graduate-school/
- 1. Print out a copy of your online Graduate Application and attach it to the LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form.
- 2. Submit the LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form to the School of Law staff for processing.

After you submit the LSAT, Transcript and Recommendation Request Form (page 3), 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	

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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:				
Student ID Number:	Date:			
Program (check one):JD/MBA	JD/MTaxJD/MSA			
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:	
<u>Check the appropriate responses</u> :	
I have APPLIED to the School of Law	
I have been ADMITTED to the School of Law	I AM APPLYING FOR:
I am ENROLLED in the School of Law	JD/MBA JD/MTAX
I have APPLIED to the Graduate School	JD/MSA
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)	

Only courses pre-approved for transfer and taken while enrolled in BOTH (J.D. and graduate Business) programs may be applied toward the J.D. and/or the graduate Business degree program.

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Date

Student's Signature

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Approval Procedure:

This form <u>must</u> 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:

Ivy K. Banks School of Law, 2901

Law Student Services will then send a congratulatory letter to the student and a copy to the Graduate School, College of Business Administration Graduate Programs and University Registrar.

Admitted to the School of Law

Ivy K. Banks, Director, Student Services

Admitted to the College of Business

Myra Weakland, Assistant Director, Graduate Programs in Business

Admitted to the Graduate School

Tracy McCune, Manager, Graduate Admissions

(Return completed form to Ivy Banks, Law 2901)

Date

Date

Date