

# JURIS DOCTOR (JD)/PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MPA)

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## Admission Requirements and Course of Study

The JD/MPA program is offered in collaboration with the University of Connecticut Department of Public Policy (DPP).

### Admission Requirements

All students who wish to pursue a dual degree program must first be granted separate admission into both programs. A dual degree enrollment form, approved by each school, will also be required. Students in the dual degree program may obtain both degrees in four years, compared with five years, if both degrees were pursued separately. Candidates admitted to both schools in the same year will ordinarily take their first year at the School of Law. However, students in their first year of the MPA program may reverse this procedure if they are admitted to the School of Law for the following year. After the first year of law school, students ordinarily spend one year full-time in the graduate school. During the third and fourth years, students will divide their time between the School of Law and the Graduate School depending on the students' choices and availability of desired courses.

### Course Loads

Full-time students at the School of Law are ordinarily limited to sixteen (16) credits per semester. Students seeking to exceed this limit must obtain permission from the associate dean for academic affairs at the School of Law. In order to comply with American Bar Association standards, course work at the School of Law may in no case exceed seventeen (17) of the total credits in one semester. Full-time students at enrolled in the Department of Public Policy are ordinarily limited to eighteen (18) credits per semester. Students seeking to exceed this limit must obtain permission from the DPP.

### Requirements

In addition to satisfaction of the requirements of both programs of study, dual degree candidates are required to complete these programs concurrently. The final award of transfer credit is contingent upon completion of both programs.

### Transfer Agreement

The JD degree program requires completion of eight-six (86) credits. The MPA degree program requires completion of (42) credits. The School of Law will accept twelve (12) credits from the MPA as applicable for transfer. The Department of Public Policy will grant dual degree students twelve (12) credits of advanced standing toward the completion of the MPA degree.

Neither school will accept course credits for transfer (or advanced standing) that are part of the core curriculum.