

Credits:

In the third year, students complete the standard first year J.D. curriculum at the School of Law for a total of 32 credits. During the fourth year, it is expected that students complete a total of 33 credits. There are an additional 12 credits of coursework to be completed in the School of Law which are taken in the form of summer courses and/or intersession courses. The total number of credits to be completed through coursework at the Law School for the JD degree is 77.

The remaining 11* of the 88 required JD credits are transferred from the Medical School course work and are double-counted toward both degrees. These credits may include co-listed courses, such as the Idea of a Hospital, an interdisciplinary course co-listed in both the Law School and Medical School (as well as other UM Schools). Students are able to take co-listed courses and register in the program where the student would like the credits to apply. Of course, co-listed courses are particularly suitable to double-counting for the J.D. degree when taken as a Medical School course. (The Law School expects the list of recommended courses to expand in the future. Opportunities for practicums and externships will be developed as part of this program.)

Credits from Medical School coursework:

- 6 credits will come from a Year 5 core clerkship (clerkships are either 6 medical school credits (6 weeks) or 8 medical school credits (8 weeks), and include areas such as Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Internal Medicine, Surgery, Family Medicine and Primary Care. The clerkships are 50 hrs/week of contact time and include exams.
- 5 credits will come from coursework related (as much as possible) to legal topics and must include the medical-legal clinic listed below:
 - Medical-Legal Clinic (being proposed as two-week 2-credit or four-week 4-credit sessions). This is a clinical course co-listed in the Law School and the Medical School. JD/ MD students will take it as a Medical School course.
 - The Concept of a Hospital (2-3 credits). This will be taken spring of Year 6 as a Medical School elective. It is co-listed in multiple Schools/Departments.
 - The Medical School will permit a 1-2 credit research/independent study course to be taken at the Law School as an elective option.

Graduation & Degree Granting

Students receive their J.D. degree during the May graduation of their sixth year of the joint program because some of the credits to be transferred from the School of Medicine will be taken their 6th year when electives are built into the medical school curriculum. An elective course offering which will be required for this joint degree is the Medical Legal Clinic (offered as either a 2-credit or 4-credit course) sponsored by the Law School and offered through the School of Medicine.

Students who have completed all but the last five credits may walk at Law School graduation with their law school cohort.

Tuition and Fees:

Tuition will be paid to the Medical School for years 1, 2, 5 and 6. Tuition will be paid to the Law School for years 3 and 4, and for summer/intersession credits. Both the Law School and Medical

School will each award the students \$15,000/year in tuition scholarships. This \$60,000 over two years will cover approximately 2/3 of the law school tuition costs.

**(Please note that the 11 credits from the Medical School to be transferred to the J.D. program may not be from any Medical School courses taken prior to matriculation in the Law School.)*