

J.D./M.S. DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Overview

The J.D./M.S. dual degree program offers a student who has been admitted to The University of Toledo College of Law and one of The University of Toledo College of Engineering master of science programs the opportunity to complete requirements for both the J.D. and the M.S. degrees in an accelerated period of study. The program is designed for full-time students who have an undergraduate degree in engineering or its equivalent. Students with a non-engineering undergraduate degree will be required to complete all prerequisite courses required by the College of Engineering, depending on the nature of the undergraduate degree.

Advising

The College of Law and the College of Engineering will advise with regard to that school's curriculum, requirements and guidelines. Within the College of Engineering, advising is handled within the individual department of enrollment and coordinated through the associate dean of graduate studies.

Awarding of Degrees and Credit

A student enrolled in the dual degree program will not receive either the J.D. or M.S. degree until all the work required for both degrees has been completed. A student who withdraws from the dual degree program and remains in either the College of Law or College of Engineering shall receive only as much credit for work in the other college as the dean may authorize under the rules of that college.

No credit for work in the other college shall be awarded unless the student achieves an acceptable grade in the college offering the course. In addition, degrees must be awarded within time limits established by the College of Graduate Studies, the College of Law and the College of Engineering.

ADMISSION Requirements

Students should apply for the dual degree program using both the College of Law standard application form and the College of Graduate Studies application form. A joint admissions committee consisting of admission committee members from both colleges will review those College of Law applications that request dual admission. Although admission to both colleges is required before the student can begin the joint degree program, a student can begin a program in one college and later add the dual-degree program. In this case, only courses completed after admission to the dual-degree program can be counted toward the degree requirements in the discipline.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The integrated program and curriculum leads to the awarding of two degrees. The Juris doctor degree will be awarded by The University of Toledo College of Law, and the Master of Science degree will be awarded by The University of Toledo College of Engineering.

Master of Science in Engineering Degree: To fulfill requirements for the M.S. degree, 30 credit hours at graduate level are required. Students in the joint program may apply up to 12 credit hours of non-first year course work at the College of Law toward meeting the M.S. degree requirements. With the M.S. thesis/project option, students must complete at least 18 credit hours at the graduate level from the College of Engineering, including nine hours of M.S. thesis or six hours of M.S. project. With the M.S. course work-only option, students must complete at least 18 credit hours at the graduate level from the College of Engineering. The credit of up to 12 credit hours from the College of Law would be determined in consultation with the associate dean of graduate studies of The University of Toledo College of Engineering.

Juris Doctor Degree: The College of Law requires the successful completion of 89 credit hours. The dual degree program would permit up to 12 credit hours of core courses done in the College of Engineering to be applied toward the satisfaction of the 89-hour requirement. The credit of up to 12 hours of course work from the College of Engineering would be determined in consultation with the associate dean of The University of Toledo College of Law.