

J.D./LL.M. MARITIME LAW

Overview

Joint J.D./LL.M. students must earn a combined 100 credits (instead of 112 normally required for a J.D. [88 credits] and LL.M. [24 credits] degree) with a grade point average of 2.3 out of 4.0 to earn both degrees.

Admission Requirements

Miami Law J.D. students may apply to the LL.M. Program (<https://www.law.miami.edu/llm-application/>) during fall or spring of their 2L year, but before the end of the spring semester of the second year.

Current Maritime Law LL.M. students should submit an application for admission to the J.D. program during the Fall semester of their LL.M. studies and no later than November 1. It is recommended that students discuss their intention to apply early to the J.D. program with their LL.M. program director early on in their LL.M. studies to make sure their course selection enables them to complete all graduation requirements effectively. Please refer to the J.D. application overview page for further information.

A separate admissions committee will review their application and determine eligibility to enter the J.D. program. The admissions committee takes into consideration the nature of, and grade point average in, classes taken by the applicant while enrolled in the LL.M. program.

Miami Law may award up to 29 Advanced Standing Credits towards the J.D. to students for their foreign law studies. The specific number of such credits will be determined at the time of admission to the J.D. based on a review of the applicant's J.D. application file. When a student enrolls in the Joint J.D./LL.M., then he or she needs only 100 credits (instead of 112) to earn both degrees. If a student receives 29 Advanced Standing Credits towards the J.D., this means that only a total of 71 credits are needed to complete the Joint J.D./LL.M. In most cases, full time students can complete their remaining credits in three semesters after their LL.M. year.

Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
JD REQUIREMENTS		76
Refer to the link below for more information on the JD Requirements for Dual/Joint Degrees https://bulletin.miami.edu/law-academic-programs/jd/#curriculumtext		
LL.M. IN MARTIME LAW REQUIREMENTS		12
Refer to the link below for more information on the LLM requirements https://bulletin.miami.edu/law-academic-programs/llm/maritime-law-llm/#curriculumtext		
LLM COURSES TAKEN IN FULFILLMENT OF BOTH DEGREES		12
Total Credit Hours		100

Sample Plan of Study

Year One		Credit Hours
Fall		
LAW 11	Civil Procedure I	3
LAW 12	Contracts	4
LAW 13	Elements	3
LAW 15	Torts	4
LAW 19	Legal Communication and Research I	2
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
LAW 14	Property	4
LAW 16	Criminal Procedure	3
LAW 17	U.S. Constitutional Law I	4
LAW 29	Legal Communication and Research II	2
Elective		3
Credit Hours		16

Year Two		
Fall		
Upper Level Law Courses		1-6
	Credit Hours	14
Spring		
Upper Level Law Courses		1-6
	Credit Hours	14
Year Three		
Fall		
Upper Level Law Courses		1-6
	Credit Hours	14
Spring		
Upper Level Law Courses		1-6
	Credit Hours	14
Year Four		
Fall		
Upper Level Law Courses		1-6
	Credit Hours	12
	Total Credit Hours	100