

LAW/INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, JD/MA

Degree Requirements

The Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in International Relations is a combined degree which is conferred by the International Relations program of the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs and the College of Law. This joint degree program offers students a unique opportunity in developing the knowledge and skills necessary to enter into a career in the international field, including a social science understanding of international relations as well as contemporary features of international affairs.

Students must apply and be admitted to both programs separately and will complete the entire first year in the College of Law prior to their admission to the Master of Arts in International Relations.

In three years, students complete the core requirements for both the Juris Doctor and Master of Arts in International Relations degree, beginning their dual studies between their 1L and 2L years. In addition to the core, students complete specialized coursework in one of the following six international relations career tracks; data analysis of international affairs; development and humanitarian assistance; governance, diplomacy and international organizations; international political economy, finance and trade; peace, security and conflict; and regional concentrations in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Middle East.

Students also complete an applied internship opportunity linking academic studies in law and international relations with the professional practice of international relations.