

JD/MPH Dual Degree Program of Study

The Program involves 4 years of study, with a total of 118 credit hours. Years A and B will consist of courses exclusively in the Law School, including the first-year curricular requirements as well as other upper-level required courses. Years A and B must be taken consecutively. Year C will include courses exclusively in the College of Public Health and will provide the MPH Core and Concentration requirements. The available MPH concentration for students enrolled in the JD/MPH dual degree program is limited to Health Policy and Management. The sequence of years A, B, and C can be C-A-B or A-B-C. This means that a student can begin their studies either in the MPH program or JD program when completing the JD-MPH dual degree. While a student may matriculate to this Dual Degree program after a year of graduate work, pursuant to ABA standard 311(d), the coursework for the first MPH year will count towards the Masters degree and not the JD.

Students can choose one of the following concentrations areas: Biostatistics, Disaster Management, Environmental Health Science, Epidemiology, Gerontology, Health Policy and Management, and Health Promotion and Behavior.

During the summer between the students' third and fourth year of study, candidates will complete a required 6 credit hour MPH Field Placement. The field placement corresponds with the PBHL 7560 course, and requires 300 hours in an appropriate Public Health setting. Students choose the site of their field placement with the assistance of the MPH Academic Advisor and MPH Field Placement Coordinator. Depending on the relevance of the MPH Field Placement site to both disciplines, JD-MPH candidates could potentially receive credit towards meeting both the JD and MPH requirements through this field placement.

Year D, the final year of study, will consist of courses taken in both the Law School and College of Public Health, with the student completing the curricular requirements of both the JD and the MPH which include the MPH Capstone Course, a 3 credit hour culminating experience that can only be completed during the student's final semester.

Year A

Fall Semester	Credit Hours
Civil Procedure JURI 4010	4
Contracts JURI 4030	4
Torts JURI 4120	4
Legal Research I JURI 4072	.5
Legal Writing I JURI 4071	2
	Total 14.5
Spring Semester	
Property JURI 4090	4
Constitutional Law I JURI 4180	3
Criminal Law JURI 4050	3
Elective	3
Legal Research II JURI 4082	.5
Legal Writing II JURI 4081	3
	Total 16.5

Year B

Fall or Spring Semester	Credit Hours
The Law and Ethics of Lawyering, JURI 4300	3
Practical Skills Requirement	Minimum of 6
Electives – 6 credit hour electives can be selected to count towards the MPH required electives.	Varies
12-18 credit hours each semester	Total approximately 28

Year C

Fall Semester	Credit Hours
Intro to Biostatistics I BIOS 7010	3
Intro to Epidemiology EPID 7010	3
Fundamentals of Environmental Health EHSC 7010	3
Introduction to Health Policy and Management HPAM 7010	3
Social and Behavioral Foundations HPRB 7010	3
	Total 15
Spring Semester	
Policy Analysis HPAM 8400 (counts toward law school electives)	3
Public Health Law and Society HPAM 7400 (counts toward law school electives)	3
Public Health and Healthcare Ethics HPAM 7700 (counts toward law school electives)	3
Electives	6
	Total 15

Year D

Fall and Spring	Credit Hours
JD electives to at least 88 credit hours, which includes JD coursework and courses completed in the MPH but given dual credit. 64 must be from JURI courses	Various
Spring	
Culminating Experience/Capstone	3

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Law School Courses to Count towards MPH Required Electives:

- Bioethics
- Healthcare Financing and Regulation
- Healthcare Fraud and Abuse
- Law and Science Seminar
- Law and Medicine
- Public Health Law
- Regulation of the Human Body
- Community Health-Law Partnership (year-long experiential learning opportunity).