This degree is designed for professionals who want a deeper understanding of law and legal concepts. Such professionals may be found in nonprofit organizations, foundations, financial services firms, pharmaceutical companies, insurance firms, compliance departments, or a host of other commercial and noncommercial settings. Examples of the professionals who would be interested in this degree are human resource professionals, claims representatives for insurance companies, professionals in healthcare organizations, bank loan officers, real estate brokers, risk managers, government affairs officers, management consultants advising organizations, development officers working on planned giving, and software entrepreneurs. They desire to know more about the law and to be able to deal more effectively with the lawyers with whom they interact during their professional lives. The degree includes concentrations in human resources law, business law, intellectual property law, and health law.

Program Plan
Students take one 3-semester-hour course per term. A term is approximately eight weeks; there are two terms (A and B) in each of three semesters (fall, spring, and summer). The course work is spread over 10 terms or five semesters. Every student in their first semester takes two required foundation courses. Students then take four out of five core courses, plus three or four elective courses from any of four concentrations. Students choosing not to concentrate may take courses from any concentration.

Program Features
TOTAL DEGREE CREDIT REQUIRED
The program requires 30 semester hours.

COURSE ORGANIZATION
The program comprises 10 courses:
• Each course is eight weeks
• Two courses are taken per semester
• Each course is 3 semester hours
• Course types:
  • Two foundation courses
  • Four or five core courses
  • Three or four elective courses

CONCENTRATIONS
The program includes four concentrations plus a general track. The concentrations are:
• Business Law
• Health Law
• Human Resources Law
• Intellectual Property Law

ACADEMIC STRUCTURE
• Six eight-week sessions per calendar year:
  • Spring A
  • Spring B
  • Summer A
  • Summer B
  • Fall A
  • Fall B

• Two eight-week courses (3 semester hours each) back-to-back in each 16-week semester
• Total of 10 courses needed to graduate

TIME TO DEGREE COMPLETION
Normal completion time is five semesters of part-time study, with students taking one course at a time.

ADMISSION CYCLES
• Fall 1 session
• Spring 1 session
• Summer 1 session

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
• Bachelor’s degree from regionally accredited institution
• Online application
• Application fee—none
• Personal statement with designated questions to be answered
• Two letters of recommendation
• TOEFL for international students
• Transcripts from all previous higher educational institutions attended.
• Professional resumé

Program Requirements
Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Foundation Courses
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Core Courses
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Specialization Elective Courses
Complete three or four of the following:

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Program Credit/GPA Requirements
30 total semester hours required
Minimum 3.000 GPA required