The IU McKinney Master of Jurisprudence (M.J.) Degree

Find out how an M.J. degree can advance your career.
Why a Master of Jurisprudence (M.J.) degree?

If you are interested in developing a better understanding of the law as it affects your professional and career goals, but you don’t wish to practice law, this new degree is designed for you.

Knowledge about the law intersects with a wide array of other disciplines. You’ll have the opportunity to choose from a multitude of courses, focusing on a variety of professions, including but not limited to:

- Employment and Human Resources
- Intellectual Property
- Contracts
- Health and Science
- Law Enforcement
- Environment & Natural Resources
- Government Regulations
- Legislative Initiatives
- Social Work
- Business and Corporate Affairs
- International Law
- Sports and Entertainment

Why study at IU McKinney Law?

About the Program
30 credit hours may be taken full time (day) or part time (evening). You will create your own individualized curriculum that best suits your needs based on your area of interest.

Curriculum
2 required classes include:
- Legal Process (2 credits)

Your choice of one of the following courses:
- Property (4 cr.)
- Contracts (3 or 4 cr.)
- Torts (4 cr.)
- Criminal Law (3 cr.)
- Constitutional Law (4 cr.)

You may choose the remaining credit hours from among the course list available online at mckinneylaw.iu.edu/degrees/mj/docs/courselist.pdf/

Individualized Attention
As an M.J. candidate, you will design your own curriculum in consultation with an IU McKinney faculty member who can guide you to the classes that will be most beneficial for your professional goals.

Eligibility
To be eligible for admission to the M.J. degree program you must hold a bachelor’s degree from a U.S. institution of higher learning or an equivalent academic degree from an educational institution in a country other than the United States. Holders of a J.D. and other law degrees are ineligible for this degree.

Admissions Timeline
Admissions will be decided on a rolling basis. Class size will be limited, however, so you are encouraged to apply early. The first M.J. class will begin during the summer.

Cost
The cost of the M.J. degree is the same as the J.D. per credit hour fee for in-state and out-of-state residents. Scholarships are available.

*Excludes experiential learning classes designed for J.D. students who plan to practice law
Note: M.J. credits are not transferable to a J.D. degree

As the healthcare industry becomes more regulated, I recognized the importance of developing a stronger understanding of the issues faced by providers, evaluating compliance status, and better identifying any potential legal risks. In this regard, the Master of Jurisprudence degree program is a perfect fit for me to further my career in health care compliance.

Karen Rogers, CPC
Compliance and Quality Auditor
Indiana University School of Dentistry

As a business leader, I felt that I needed to boost my knowledge of not only the law but the process and mindset behind it. I work in the health care world, so law dealing specifically with health care is important to explore. In addition to dealing with vendors, clients, and employees, as a growing organization, strategic decisions will require an understanding of the law.

Arun Murali
Founder & CEO, Groupone Health-Source, Inc.

In my role as President, I am responsible for all of the risk management and law-related activities of the company, addressing issues related to contracts, compliance, litigation, and more. I believe the MJ will allow me to build on my business experience and provide me with a set of skills to allow me to be more effective.

Jeff Hale
President, Trinityx, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Next Steps

1. Talk to our M.J. Program Director to find out if an M.J. is the right move for your career.
2. Review our online list of course offerings to see which classes might work best for your goals.
3. Download the application and checklist.
4. Don’t hesitate to contact us if you have questions or concerns during the application process.
5. Apply to begin your education at IU McKinney Law.