

EMPLOYED PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Take the Next Step!

The Master of Legal Studies degree is for professional advancement through the study of law. Created for those without a need or interest in becoming a lawyer, this degree provides access to the top legal education in the world. With a priority on flexibility and convenience, this part-time program is suitably designed for the working professional.

PART-TIME MLS PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Phase 1:

Core Curriculum
5 classes

Phase 2:

Specialization
3-5 classes

Phase 3:

Capstone
1 class

* 26 units are required to graduate.

SPECIALIZATIONS

Business Law
Entertainment & Media Law
Employment & Human Resources Law
Environmental Law
General Studies

Government & National Security Law
Health Law & Policy
Law & Technology
Public Interest Law

* A student may elect "General Studies" and flexibly take courses from any specialization

TIME INVESTMENT	1 Course/Semester*	2 Courses/Semester*
Average hours/week of classroom instruction	3	6
Average hours/week of study time	6	12
Total average hours/week	9	18

* Students may choose the number of courses to register for each semester. 2 courses/semester paces towards 2 years to graduate, 1 course/semester paces towards 4 years to graduate.

TUITION

Average tuition cost/year if completed over 3 years: \$19,800*

Optional 6 units (27-32) are TUITION FREE! \$13,560 value.

* The part-time program can be completed in 2-4 years. This is an estimate based on the tuition rate at \$2260/unit for 2021/2022. About \$900/semester in university fees. If a student does not have qualifying health insurance, campus provided Health Insurance is required @ \$2,360/semester

SCHOLARSHIPS

Bruin Scholarship: Awarded in amounts of \$5k, \$9k, or \$12k

Blue & Gold Scholarship: Awarded in amounts of \$5k, \$10k, or \$20k

Government & Non-Profit Leader Scholarship: Awarded in amounts of \$5k, \$9k, or \$12k

UC & CSU Employee Scholarship: Guaranteed \$14,000

For more information, see [full program brochure](#)

MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES

Part-Time Student Timeline Year 1

ACCEPTANCE

See website for application deadlines & decision release dates

CONNECTION

January-June
>Optional online & in-person events

optional:
1-2 hours / week

PREPARATION

July-August
>Law School Fundamentals Workshops (online)

1-2 hours / week

ORIENTATION

Mid-August
>On campus, full week

Only week that is full time

FALL SEMESTER

Late August to early December
>Flexible classes on campus in the evenings

1 course:
9 hours / week
2 courses:
18 hours / week

HOLIDAY BREAK
Mid-December to late January

SPRING SEMESTER

Early January
>Optional J-term classes
Late January to mid-May
>Flexible classes on campus in the evenings

1 course:
9 hours / week
2 courses:
18 hours / week

Year 2 (3 & 4 if necessary)

SUMMER BREAK

Mid-May to Late August
>3 months off
>Connection events

0 hours / week

FALL SEMESTER

Late August to early December
>Elective options ranging from morning to evening with limited online electives available

1 course:
9 hours / week
2 courses:
18 hours / week

HOLIDAY BREAK
Mid-December to late January

SPRING SEMESTER

Early January
>Optional J-term classes

Late January to mid-May
>Elective options ranging from morning to evening with limited online electives available

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COMMENCEMENT

Mid-May



KATIE NICHOLSON

VP of Television, Global and Kids, DC Comics. Entertainment & Media Law

“Since starting the MLS program, I was promoted [from Creative Director of TV] at DC Comics. The MLS program has helped prepare me for this new position, while also cementing my professional credibility with an education in Entertainment Law.”

EMPLOYED PROFESSIONALS



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Student Class Profile of Employed Professionals
Managers, directors, and mid-level professionals; those with less than 10 years of industry experience

AVERAGE AGE

33

Age range: 22-59



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UNDERGRADUATE
INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

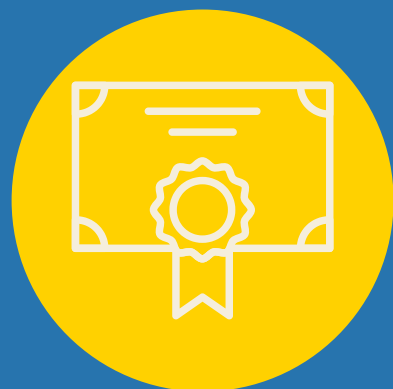


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ORGANIZATIONS
REPRESENTED

ADVANCED DEGREE HOLDERS

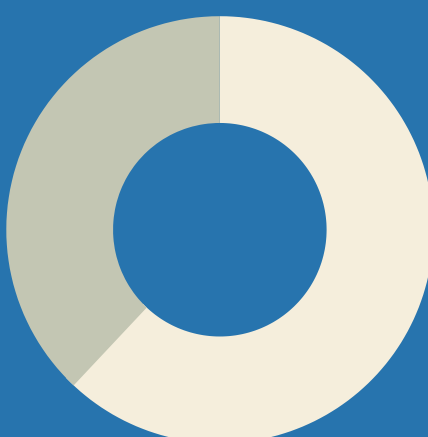
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HISTORICALLY UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS

59%

38%
MALE



62%
FEMALE