

JURIS DOCTOR & MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

DUAL DEGREE

Since its founding in 1982, the College of Law has emphasized training attorneys to work for the public good. From offering legal services to rural residents to advising municipalities on policy implementation, Georgia State Law graduates are engaged with every aspect of civic life.

The J.D./M.P.A. (Master of Public Administration) dual degree program is offered by the College of Law and the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. It is designed for individuals who want to use their legal education to serve in the government and nonprofit sectors.

With an innovative legal curriculum, robust Pro Bono Program, study abroad opportunities, and an ideal downtown Atlanta location, Georgia State Law is poised to prepare the next generation of practitioners.

CURRICULUM

Earn two degrees in a shorter time and at a lower cost than if pursued separately.

J.D. (90 CREDIT HOURS)

- 43 required credit hours
- 47 elective credit hours
 - 14 M.P.A. credit hours count towards J.D. electives

M.P.A. (39 CREDIT HOURS)

- 21 required credit hours
- 15 elective credit hours in a concentration
 - 15 J.D. credit hours count towards M.P.A. electives
- 3 credit hours in an internship or practicum
 - Law school externship may be substituted

POTENTIAL CAREERS

- Traditional law practice
- In-house counsel for corporations and small businesses
- Compliance and risk management



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PUBLIC AFFAIRS SCHOOL
IN THE NATION*

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TOP NATIONAL LAW SCHOOLS FOR
BLACK STUDENTS**

BEST VALUE

LAW SCHOOL***

TOP 20

SCHOOL FOR LOWEST
DEBT-TO-INCOME RATIO****

* U.S. News & World Report 2021

** Black Student's Guide to Law
Schools & Firms 2019

*** National Jurist 2021

**** Pepperdine University 2019

A photograph showing a group of diverse students sitting at a table in a classroom or meeting, looking towards the right. One student in the foreground is wearing a hijab.

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Taking both program courses simultaneously helped me to place what I was learning in law school within the context of the public arena which I now do every day as a county commissioner. I am a better-informed policy maker with greater conviction and competence to advance the public good.

– Lisa N. Cupid (J.D. '12/M.P.A. '12)



HOW TO APPLY

Most students apply to one degree program first and then apply to the second during their first year of study. Dual degree applicants must apply and be accepted to both programs. Acceptance into one program does not guarantee acceptance to the other.

J.D.

- law.gsu.edu/apply-jd
- LSAT is required

M.P.A.

- aysps.gsu.edu/admissions/
- GRE is required but will be waived for students already enrolled at the College of Law

ATLANTA ADVANTAGE

OUR LOCATION GIVES US AN EDGE. Located in the heart of downtown with access to Atlanta's landmarks, professional sports, global cuisine, cultural events and more.

A FEW STEPS

- Coca-Cola, Georgia Pacific, Southern Company and other corporate headquarters
- State Capitol
- Federal and state courts
- Major law firms
- Other local, state, and federal government agencies

A FEW MILES

- The Carter Center
- Regional Headquarters for the Environmental Protection Agency
- American Cancer Society
- Foundations for Fortune 500 companies.

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