

# JURIS MASTER IN AMERICAN LEGAL STUDIES (J.M.)

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## Purpose

The Juris Master in American Legal Studies (J.M.) exists to equip non-lawyers with knowledge of fundamental legal norms and principles to increase their effectiveness and intellectual abilities to address issues which have legal components in their respective professional fields.

## Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Construct legal analyses using proper interpretation of United States legal norms.
- Evaluate foundational concepts as they relate to United States legal regimes.
- Integrate a Christian worldview in the context of United States law.
- Conduct legal research and writing in a United States law context.

## Program Specific Admission Requirements

An applicant to the J.M. in American Legal Studies must complete the following steps:

1. Complete an application for admission through the Liberty University Online by completing each section. All questions must be answered completely.
2. Earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, TRACS, ABHE, etc.)
3. A curriculum vitae or résumé must be included in the application.
4. Pay the non-refundable application fee (\$50) to Liberty University.
5. Undergraduate GPA of at least a 3.00 on a 4.00 scale
6. TOEFL Scores for students who speak English as a second language (score of 600 paper-based test; 250 computer-based test, 80 internet-based test).

Students who do not meet the minimum GPA requirement may be admitted on Academic Caution status.

## Transfer of Credit

Students may transfer up to 15 hours of graduate-level credit from an accredited institution. In order to transfer credit, students must have earned the minimum grade of B-, and courses must have been completed within 10 years of the start date of the student's program at Liberty University. Credits from a prior degree on the same academic level earned through Liberty University are considered transfer credits.

## Program of Study

### Delivery Format: Online Only

- American Legal Studies (J.M.)

## Career Opportunities

- Human Resources
- Contracts Negotiator
- Court Administrator
- Politician
- Legislative Assistant
- Government Leadership