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Welcome Letter

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Dear JD/MBA Student,

Congratulations and welcome to the Columbia University JD/MBA Program! We are delighted to have you here and hope that you will enjoy your time at Columbia.

This guide was developed by staff and faculty at the Law School and the Business School, as well as the Richard Paul Richman Center for Business, Law, and Public Policy. It contains contact information for the various staff and faculty who are familiar with and involved in the JD/MBA program. This document also includes a programmatic guide to the curriculum, an explanation of the Business School's class registration system, and an introduction to career management resources.

We would also like to introduce you to the Richman Center, which is yet another resource available to you. In addition to its mission of informing policy decisions based on research, collaboration, and dialogue between practitioners and academics in law and business, the Richman Center believes that supporting Columbia's JD/MBA students is an important part of developing future leaders. The Richman Center team is looking forward to meeting you and supporting you throughout your JD/MBA experience.

We know the 2021–22 academic year will be unique, as the public health situation continues to create challenges both in and outside of the classroom. As Columbia moves forward as a community, we are here to help and support you through whatever lies ahead. Our offices, whether in-person or virtual, are always open to you.

We hope that you will take advantage of the resources that are available to you at both schools and through the Richman Center. If you have any questions or if there is anything we can do to assist you, please let us know. We are happy to help!

Best of luck!

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Resources

Business School Administration



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Tricia oversees JD/MBA career education and advising at the Business School's Career Management Center and acts as the main liaison for JD/MBA students.



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Kristen is part of the academic advising team and serves as the JD/MBA dual degree advisor. Academic advisors empower students to take action on their academic goals by sharing resources and guidance to help students make informed academic and life decisions.



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Marin manages the Advising and Academics team within the Office of Student Affairs. Her team offers academic advising, wellness programs, and other events and initiatives that improve the experience of our MBA program.



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Cecilia leads Academic Affairs and Student Life for the Full-Time MBA Program and manages and executes the disciplinary process for academic and behavioral cases. She also supports JD/MBAs in all things careers at CBS, advising students pursuing careers in financial services, real estate, and energy and infrastructure, and JD/MBAs who are interested in business roles after initial careers in law. Cecilia partners with multiple student clubs and is a member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Standing Committee at the Business School.

Law School Administration



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2021-2022 JD/MBA Committee

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The Richman Center

The Richard Paul Richman Center is a joint initiative of Columbia Law School and Columbia Business School. The center fosters dialogue on emerging policy questions where business and markets intersect with the law. The Richman Center organizes and hosts lectures, conferences, and forums to bring students, faculty members, alumni, and industry representatives together to exchange perspectives on timely topics at the intersection of business and law. In addition, the Richman Center supports the JD/MBA community by providing a mentorship program, alumni breakfasts, networking hours, and other events. JD/MBA students also have access to the center's invitation-only conferences.

Conferences and Forums

The Richman Center organizes invitation-only conferences, forums, faculty workshops, and public symposia that engage prominent academics, industry professionals, policymakers, and journalists to exchanges ideas on timely topics at the intersection of Business and Law. Past conferences have included the following:

COVID Vaccines: Policies to end this pandemic and avoid another one June 2021

Tax Policy Under the Biden Administration April 2021

The Future of Affordable Housing in the US: Finding Solutions for Income Inequality in a Post-COVID America

April 2021

The Wolf at the Door: The Menace of Economic Insecurity and How to Fight It February 2021

Small Businesses in the COVID Recession October 2020

Private Equity Diversity and Inclusion October 2020

Investing in Infrastructure in Developing Asia after COVID-19: Navigating Geopolitics to Generate Long-Term Value, Growth, and Returns September 2020

Government Debt and Deficit: Myth or Reality? July 2020

Executive Education

The Richman Center continues to develop Executive Education programs to present current research and applications to policy makers. Executive Education programs have included the following:

- November 6–7, 2015: Reviving US Economic Growth
- July 29–30, 2013: Facilitating Economic Growth in the United States

Public Lecture Series

The Richman Center's Public Lecture Series aims to bridge theory and practice by inviting distinguished practitioners and policymakers to share their perspectives and engage in active dialogue on social, political, and economic issues with current relevance.

The following lectures were held in the 2019–20 academic year:

June 30, 2020: The Fed: What Is It Doing? Is It Working? What Are the Risks? (Webinar)

May 19, 2020: Leading a Mission-Driven Organization (Webinar)

May 5, 2020: The Global Economy After the Coronavirus (Webinar)

February 24, 2020: The Global Consequences of the US Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017

February 19, 2020: The Brussels Effect: How the EU Rules the World, a Book Talk with

Anu Bradford

November 19, 2019: Public Aspects of Private Equity

November 12, 2019: Fintech Banking at the Crossroads

October 30, 2019: The End of Shareholder Primacy? Understanding the Business

Roundtable Statement

Mentorship Program

The mentorship program pairs current students with JD/MBA alumni working in a student's area of interest. Students are eligible to apply after completing one year at the Law School; applications are available through the Richman Center at the beginning of the academic year. If you are interested in learning more, feel free to reach out to Kathleen Rithisorn, kr2315@qsb.columbia.edu.

Pairings are based on students' and mentors' responses to a questionnaire and an in-person interview with each mentee. The mentor-mentee relationship is designed to last for one academic year and may be renewed. Students are encouraged to reach out to their mentors at least three times a year through phone calls, emails, or in-person meetings. The program is intended to help enrich the JD/MBA curriculum with a focus on career guidance. It is not

tied to an internship or job opportunity.

JD/MBA Career Panels

The Richman Center hosts regular events to bring students and alumni together for career advice and planning. Past career panelists have included Cynthia Mullock (JD/MBA '04, founder and CEO, 5 Perry Street), Lex Sokolin (JD/MBA '13, investor and global director/partner, Autonomous Research), Lee Cooper (JD/MBA '15, entrepreneur-inresidence, RA Capital Management), and Jesse Greene (JD/MBA '75, Columbia Business School Executive in Residence).

Richman Center Events 2021–2022

JD/MBA Welcome Back Forum

Held in collaboration with Business School and Law School staff September 2021

Public Lecture Series

Multiple events through the academic year—dates announced each semester; check Richman Center website for details

Alumni Discussion Series

For alumni and students – held 6-8 time throughout the year

JD/MBA Virtual Happy Hour

Once a semester—dates vary and will be announced by email

Annual JD/MBA Dinner

For students, faculty, staff, and alumni Tentatively planned for Spring 2022

JD/MBA Reception

To honor graduating students Spring 2022

For more information and an updated schedule of events, visit gsb.columbia.edu/richman/events or email Kathleen Rithisorn, kr2315@gsb.columbia.edu

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Student Life

Staff from the Law School, Business School, and Richman Center organize informal events, including lunches, dinners, happy hours, and group activities, to allow JD/MBA students to meet their peers. Organizers publicize these events throughout the year. If you have an idea for a JD/MBA group activity, feel free to reach out to the Richman Center for support.

Find out more about student organizations at the Business School: https://www8.gsb.columbia.edu/programs/mba/student-life/student-organizations/clubs

Find out more about student organizations and journals at the Law School: https://www.law.columbia.edu/community-life/student-life/student-organizations-journals

Current students and alumni of the JD/MBA program are encouraged to join a dedicated group on LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8677256

As of Fall 2020, Columbia Business School offer its alumni an online community through Hivebrite. For more information on the site, please contact the Richman Center.

Academics

Program Overview

Columbia University offers a three-year and a four-year JD/MBA program. Students in the three-year program spend their first year at the Law School completing the first-year Foundation Curriculum requirements. In the second year, students reside at the Business School, where they complete the core curriculum requirements and may begin taking electives at both schools. In the third year of the program, students reside at the Law School but may register for courses at both schools, including courses that are cross-listed by both the Business School and the Law School and therefore count toward both degrees.

Students in the four-year program reside at the Law School for a total of five semesters and at the Business School for a total of three semesters. Upon completing at least one continuous academic year in residence at each school, students have flexibility as to which of their remaining semesters to spend at the Law School and which to spend at the Business School. (Students may also complete two full academic years at the Law School before enrolling at the Business School.)

The three-year program is an accelerated program designed for students who wish to complete their studies and enter the job market a year earlier than traditional joint-degree programs allow. The four-year program enables students to take more electives and fully explore the opportunities at both schools. The three-year program will be more reliant on cross-listed classes than the four-year program.

Graduation Requirements

To complete the JD/MBA program, students on both the three-year and four-year tracks must earn a minimum of 71 credits at the Law School and 45 credits at the Business School. (Exception: students who first matriculated at the Law School in 2017 must complete a total of 72 credits at the Law School.) This includes joint electives, which count towards both degrees.

Students must complete all JD requirements, including the first-year Foundation Curriculum; a course in Legislation and Regulation, a minimum of 40-hours of pro bono work; major writing; minor writing; at least 6 points of experiential coursework credit; and a Professional Responsibility course. At the Business School, students are able to test out of some core curriculum classes through exemption exams, and may replace them with elective credits.

Law School Curriculum

Please note that this information is subject to variation.

First Year of Law School: Fall

Legal Methods, the centerpiece of the Foundation Curriculum, serves as an introduction to legal institutions and processes, as well as to the skills necessary in the professional use of case law and legislation

Legal Practice Workshop I, which provides training in the analysis of legal problems and in the hands-on use of a variety of legal materials

Civil Procedure, which establishes the fundamental aspects of the civil litigation process in the United States

Contracts, which provides a thorough introduction to the law of contracts, including the examination of fraud and the bargaining process, among other issues

Torts, which introduces our students to the different bases of tort liability and the various functions of tort law

First Year of Law School: Spring

Legal Methods II, which serves as a continuation of the skills built in Legal Methods I **Foundation Year Moot Court**, which represents, for some, their first practical exposure to the dynamics of a courtroom

Constitutional Law, which introduces students to constitutional law, providing a foundation for more specialized courses on the Constitution and for public law courses generally

Criminal Law, which explores major problems of the criminal law and its administration, with an emphasis on the issues that necessarily arise in the formation and application of a satisfactory penal code

Legal Practice Workshop II, which serves as a continuation of the research, writing, and analytical skills built in Legal Practice Workshop I

Property, which poses fundamental questions about efficiency and fairness in dealing with ownership that are mediated through the legal system

In addition, the **First-Year Elective** provides our students with the opportunity to explore the vast breadth and depth of our curriculum as early as their first year. Students can select from a variety of classes for their first-year elective, including Corporations, which is a prerequisite for some upper-year transactional courses.

Law School Curriculum (Continued)

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Graduation Requirements to Guide Course Selection

71 academic credits (minimum)¹

Satisfactory completion of all required Foundation courses Satisfactory completion of a course in Legislation and Regulation Satisfactory completion of a course in the area of Professional Responsibility

2 writing credits, at least one of which meets the criteria of the Major Writing Credit, as defined under Rule 1.4 of the Rules for the JD Degree

Mandatory Pro Bono service of a minimum of 40 hours; to certify completion of an established pro bono project, students must complete an exit questionnaire and their supervising attorneys must submit a supervisor's report to Social Justice Initiatives

6 points of experiential credit

JD/MBA Residency Distribution

The four-year program consists of five semesters (71 credits) at Columbia Law School, in combination with three terms (45 credits) at Columbia Business School. Students in the three-year program will still complete the same number of credits but spend four semesters in residence at Columbia Law School and two at Columbia Business School.

JD/MBA CREDIT MAXIMUMS

Students can register for up to 16 points (including both Law School and Business School points) per semester while in residence at either the Law or Business School. This 16-point semester cap does not include block week courses that occur before the semester begins. For example, you can register for a 1.5-point block week course in August and 16 points of additional credit during the Fall term. See Sample Plan of Study for more guidance on allocating your points each semester. You should submit a Points Petition Form to Law School Registration Services to register for a 16th point of credit in a given term.

The Law School's registration rules must adhere to the American Bar Association's Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools. Under ABA Standard 311(c), law schools cannot permit a student to be enrolled at any time in coursework that exceeds twenty percent of the total credit hours required by that school for graduation.

JD/MBA Course Overlaps

Students are not permitted to enroll in Law School and Business School courses that have

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any date or time overlaps. Students should consider the travel time between the schools' campuses to ensure that they comply with this policy.

Business School Curriculum

First Year Business School: First Semester Core Courses

Pre-Term	*B6500: LEAD: People, Teams, Organizations (1.5 credits, during Orientation)					
1 st half (A-term)	B6300: Corporate Finance	B6001: Financial Accounting (3 credits)**	B6100: Managerial Statistics (1.5 credits) **	B6502: Strategy Formulation (1.5 credits)	B6200: Managerial Economics (1.5 credits)	
2 nd half (B-term)	(3 credits)		B6101: Business Analytics (1.5 credits)	B6601: Marketing (1.5 credits)	B6201: Global Economic Environment (1.5 credits)	

^{*}Note: LEAD occurs during Orientation, and all sessions are mandatory.

First Year Business School: Second Semester Core Courses

1 st half (A-term)	B6102: Operations Management (1.5 credits)	½ term elective*	Elective*	Elective*	Elective*
2 nd half (B-term)	½ term elective*	½ term elective*			

^{*}Electives are not core courses. You may choose to add a mixture of full-term electives or half-term electives as you see fit. Note that enrollment in twelve credits makes you a full-time student. Cross-listed electives and other B-school electives can be used to fulfill the remainder of your 45 required credits.

^{**}This course begins during Orientation and goes through the semester.

Business School Curriculum (Continued)

Course Registration

At the Business School, enrollment in non-core classes occurs through a process known as "ranking."

In your first term at the Business School, you do not rank classes. You are pre-registered for core classes, and you may pick up additional elective courses in add/drop rounds. Ranking for spring semester coursework begins halfway through the semester.

Mandatory registration training modules and optional Q&A sessions will occur in November; please be sure to complete this training to learn how the process works.

Note: Three-year JD/MBAs are given special consideration during registration out of consideration for the limited amount of time they spend at the Business School (two terms instead of three). During spring registration, three-year JD/MBAs are able to participate in ranking rounds with the same budget as a second-year student. Please see your cluster adviser at the Business School if you have any questions.

Cross-Listed Courses

Many courses are cross-listed between the two schools, providing JD/MBA students flexibility in their choices. These courses count simultaneously toward credit requirements at both schools. Below is a sample of such courses, but please note that the list is subject to change. Refer to the online catalog for the most updated information:

https://www.law.columbia.edu/academics/dual-degrees/three-year-idmba-program

Law School Courses Cross-Listed at the Business School

L8247 Advanced Bankruptcy

L6202 Advanced Corporate Law: Mergers & Acquisitions

L6931 Advanced Corporate Law: Theories and Practice

L6293 Antitrust and Trade Regulation

L8246 Architecture of Financial Regulation

L6536 Bankruptcy Law

L6221 Commercial Transactions

L6231 Corporations

L6233 Corporate Reorganization & Bankruptcy

L6230 Corporate Taxation (added August 2014)

L6107 Deals (added June 2015)

L6346 Electronic Commerce

L8631* Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic (added December -2018)

L6242 Environmental Law

L8214* Ethics on the Edge: Business, Nonprofit, Government (added December 2018)

L6256 Federal Income Taxation (added August 2014)

L6382 International Finance

L9061 International Commercial Arbitration

L6040 International Environmental Law

L8032 International Financial Transactions

L6424 International Securities Regulation

L6936 Investment Banking (added August 2014)

L6916* Litigation, Economics, and Statistics (added December 2018)

L6338 Patents (3-unit and 4-unit offerings) (added August 2014)

L8180 Private Investment Funds

L6362 Professional Responsibility Issues in Business Practice

L6922 Real Estate Finance

L6483 Real Estate Transactions

L6391 Regulation of Financial Institutions

L6538 Secured Transactions

L6423 Securities Regulation

L6320 Taxation of Financial Instruments

L6389 The Law of Transactions

L8011* The Technology, Business, Law, and Policy of AI (added December 2018)

L6337* Trade Secrets (added December 2018)

L9467 S: Contracts, Collaboration and Interpretation

L9253 S: Deals Workshop (ALL SECTIONS as of June 2015)

L9251 S: Drafting and Negotiating Cross-Border M&A Transactions (added July 2021)

L8037* S: FinTech Innovation and the Transformation of Financial Services: Business Models,

Regulatory Structures and Policy Issues (added December 2018)

L9065 S: International Banking and Financial Law

L9069 S: Law and Economics

L9462 S: Law in Emerging Markets

L8202 S: Leadership and Org. Character: Role of Inside Counsel (added December 2018)

L8294[^] S: Managing Human Rights (added December 2018)

Business Courses Cross-Listed at the Law School

The following courses may be counted toward the JD degree as if they were Law School courses. They will not be included in the 12 credits students are permitted to take outside of the Law School.

CORE B6300* Corporate Finance

CORE B6001* Accounting (Financial Accounting)

CORE B6200* Managerial Economics

CORE B6100* Managerial Statistics

B8307 Advanced Corporate Finance

B8114 Applied Regression Analysis

B9310 Behavioral Finance (seminar—Ph.D. course)

B8214 Business in Society

B8306 Capital Markets and Investments

B7306 Capital Markets and Investments (EMBA course; added spring 2020)

B8343 Corporate Governance

B8329 Credit Markets & Leveraged Buyouts: The Good, the Bad, the Ugly

B8376 Distressed Value Investing

B8008 Earnings Quality and Fundamental Analysis

B8221 Economics of Health Care and Pharmaceuticals

B8216 Economics of Strategic Behavior

B8586 Entrepreneurial Strategy (added Nov. 2018)

B8009 Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation

B8459 Foundations of Private Equity (added Nov. 2018)

B8315* Game Theory and Business

B8117 Health Care Industry in the 21st Century

B8211* Incentives and Performance

B8318 Investment Banking Tax Factors

B8510 Managerial Negotiations

B8325 Mergers & Acquisitions

B8471 Public Pensions and Retirement Security in the U.S. (added August 2021)

B8453 Real Estate Debt Markets

B8331 Real Estate Finance (added Sept. 2015)

B8332 Real Estate Transactions

Career Management

Overview

Career advisors at both schools are available to support you with career counseling, long-term planning and the JD/MBA recruiting process. You have access to the Office of Career Services (OCS) at the Law School starting in your first year and to the Business School's Career Management Center (CMC) starting with MBA Orientation. Access to both OCS and CMC continue through your lifelong alumni tenure.

CAREERS IN LAW

During the spring term of their 1L year, JD/MBA students may participate in the Law School's Spring On-Campus Interview Program to secure a summer law internship, apply to various positions posted within the Law School's job postings database and/or apply to public sector positions through the Public Interest Law Careers Fair. Those who know that they will pursue a career in business, or would like business experience, may apply on their own for business internships. Students interested in non-law internships should discuss this option with their career advisor at the Law School as early as possible.

After completing the first year in the program, three-year JD/MBA students who wish to secure private sector summer internships in law during the summer following their 2L year may participate in the Law School's Winter Interview Program. The Winter Interview Program includes a wide range of law firms from various markets for their summer associate programs. Many summer associate programs convert to full-time offers of employment to join the law firms following graduation. Students interested in participating in both WIP and the Business School's offerings should consult with career advisors at both schools.

A select number of business employers recruit directly for JD candidates through OCS. Whether to apply through the OCS channel or through the CMC (as described below) may depend on the circumstances and the individual candidate.

Students interested in judicial clerkships may seek advice from the Office of Judicial Clerkships (OJC). Students interested in careers in government or public interest can seek career advising from the office of Social Justice Initiatives (SJI). Each of OCS, OJC, and SJI can provide advice and support on application timelines and requirements.

CAREERS IN BUSINESS

JD/MBA students who begin with the Business School as an August-entrant will begin to engage with the CMC once in the summer prior to matriculation at the Business School. (For students in the three-year program, this is during the start of their second year with the Law School). JD/MBA students who begin with the Business School as an January-entrant will have an initial overview after their admission, and then will engage more directly during the Business School Orientation.

JD/MBA students who want to secure a business internship during the second summer of the program should not plan to participate in the Law School's WIP. Instead, they should meet with a CMC Advisor and participate in the offerings of the Business School's CMC beginning at Orientation and go through the steps necessary to be competitive for an MBA summer internship. Note that the January-entrant MBA program is not designed to support a formal, 10-week summer internship.

Four-year JD/MBA students should note that on-campus recruiting at the Business School is available only once for a summer internship and only once for a full-time job. CMC Advisors at the Business School can help students decide the best timing to interview on-campus for a summer internship either between years two and three or between years three and four.

Once students complete the Business School's Orientation, they have access to all MBA job opportunities and recruiting events; completion of the mandatory two-part Interview Essentials program during the first term of the MBA is required to gain access to on-campus applications for summer internships and full-time positions.

EMPLOYMENT SEARCHES DURING THE FINAL YEAR

Third-year students may have secured either a full-time law or business job through their summer internships. Students who have not, or those who wish to continue looking during their third year in the program, can apply to opportunities listed in the Law School's job postings database in the fall of their 3L year or participate in the Law School's Fall On-Campus Interview Program for fulltime law jobs in the private and/or public sectors. Opportunities may also be available during WIP for 3L students. Students conducting employment searches during their 3L year should consult with OCS on their job search strategy and applications at the start of the academic year.

Career advisors at both schools are also available to students pursuing employment in industries or companies beyond on-campus recruiting. Many students have a career path in mind upon entering the program, but not all do. The Richman Center and the career management offices at both schools enable students explore their options by providing opportunities for self-assessment, industry-based resources, and guidance for networking with alumni, faculty, and peers.