

J.D./Master of Social Work (MSW)

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Sample Degree Plan – Advanced Standing Student

Classes in bold count toward both degrees. 38 total credits are needed for the MSW, and 76 law credits are needed for the J.D.

	Summer	Fall	Spring	Credits
Year One	<i>Summer Session 1:</i> Social Work Practice Research (3) History/Philosophy of Social Work (3) <i>Summer Session 2:</i> Social Policy (3) Assessment and Differential Diagnosis (3)	Civil Procedure (4) Contracts (4) Foundations I (1) Lawyering Skills I (3) Torts (4) Mentor Externship (0)	Constitutional Law (4) Criminal Law (3) Lawyering Skills II (2) Property (4) Foundations II & III (2) Mentor Externship (0)	J.D. Credits: 31 M.S.W. Credits: 12
Year Two	Legal Internship or Employment	Methods of Clinical Social Work I (3) Clinical Supervision and Program Management (3) Professional Responsibility (3) ¹ Mentor Externship I (0) Social Work Elective (3) Law Elective (3)	Methods of Clinical Social Work II (3) Lawyering Skills III (2) ¹ Business Associations (4) ² Mentor Externship I (1) Law Elective (3)	J.D. Credits: 16 M.S.W. Credits: 12
Year Three	<i>Full time – 600 hours</i> Field Practicum and Seminar III ³ (4) Field Practicum and Seminar IV ⁴ (4)	Law Electives (13) Evidence (3) ² Mentor Externship II (1)	Law Electives (6) Law Electives (5) Mentor Externship II (1)	J.D. Credits: 29 M.S.W. Credits: 8

¹ Professional Responsibility & Lawyering Skills III must be taken in the 2L year but may be taken either semester.

² Business Associations and Evidence may be taken any time after the first law year.

³ If taken during school year, 20 hours/week; 32-40 hours/week during the summer.

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NB: A regular J.D. required 88 law credits. Enrollment in the dual degree program reduces that number to 76.