How To Apply

1. Visit the Florida State University College of Law Office of Admissions to obtain a joint-degree application and necessary documents for the Department of Sports Management.
2. Complete the documentation.
3. Do not send or have documents sent to the Department of Sports Management. All documents must be returned to the College of Law Office of Admissions before July 1st of the 1L year.

Applicants will need to:
1. Provide a completed Joint-Degree Program Application form.
2. Provide an updated legal resume.
3. Have official GRE scores on file with the Florida State University if LSAT score is not accepted by the Sports Management Program.
4. Provide a statement of purpose.

Program Sequence

The normal program sequence for a student in the joint-degree program is:
- 1st Year: 30 hours of Law
- 2nd Year: 24 hours of Sport Management
- 3rd & 4th Years: 52 hours of Law
- Total Law Courses: 82 hours
- Total Sport Management Courses: 24 hours
- Cross Credit Courses: 10 hours of Law, 6 hours of Sports Management
- Total J.D./M.S. Courses: 106 hours

Specific J.D. degree requirements can be found online at www.law.fsu.edu.
Sport Management Curriculum

A student enrolled in the joint-degree program must complete 24 credit hours, consisting of five core courses and 9 additional credit hours, in the Department of Sport Management. All courses are three credit hours.

The core courses for the Sport Management program are:

- SPM 5116 Strategic Management for Sport Organizations
- SPM 5308 Marketing Sport
- SPM 5405 Sport and the Media
- SPM 5726 Issues in Sport Law
- SPM 6700 Seminar in Sport Management Research

Students participating in the joint-degree program will complete the five required courses listed above, a six credit thesis and one elective course (of 3 credits). All joint-degree students are required to complete the thesis track of the Master’s program. Please note these required courses are subject to change.

Questions

The joint-degree must be completed within seven years, although most students complete the program in four years.

For further information about applying, please contact:

- Joint-Degree Coordinator
- Office of Admissions
- Florida State University College of Law
- (850) 644-3787
- admissions@law.fsu.edu

For further information about curriculum requirements, please contact:

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- Florida State University College of Law
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Conferring of Degrees

Students in joint-degree programs receive both degrees concurrently. Students may not be certified as a graduate without having completed the graduation requirements in both the College of Law and the Department of Sports Management. This includes the Law upper-level writing requirement, the skills training requirement, and the pro bono requirement.

Residency Requirement

Unless otherwise approved by both advisors and the College of Law Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, students enrolled in joint-degree programs must earn a minimum of seven semesters of residence credit. Based on the College of Law formula for determining residency, one semester of residency credit is earned for every 12 credit hours of courses taken in the College of Law and the Department of Sport Management.

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