

# LEGAL STUDIES, BA/BS JD

Roosevelt University and The John Marshall Law School (<http://www.jmls.edu>) cooperate in offering combined credit programs leading to the degrees of Juris Doctor and the baccalaureate degree (BA or BS), also known as the 3+3 program. Under this program, successful completion of the first 29 credit hours at John Marshall Law School may be credited toward the completion of the baccalaureate degree at Roosevelt. Students who wish to pursue the combined degree with John Marshall must successfully complete Roosevelt's Legal Studies minor (<http://catalog.roosevelt.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/legal-studies-minor>). Students interested in pursuing this opportunity should meet with their advisor or with the coordinator of Legal Studies, Professor David Faris (<http://blogs.roosevelt.edu/dfaris>) ([dfaris@roosevelt.edu](mailto:dfaris@roosevelt.edu)).

**Please note: Legal Studies is not a Roosevelt University major; a major must be chosen from among those offered by the College of Arts and Sciences, and its requirements completed as part of the 91 or more credit hours required to begin at John Marshall.**

## Admission

Students must be admitted separately to each institution. They may begin their courses at John Marshall after completing 91 or more credit hours at Roosevelt, after successful completion of the required courses, and after successful application to the law school program, reflecting the qualifications needed for admission as established by The John Marshall Law School Admission Office.

## Standards

At least 61 credit hours must be taken at Roosevelt University, with no more than 30 credit hours transferred from another undergraduate institution. The final 30 hours must be taken at Roosevelt.

All university core requirements (including distribution and other general education requirements) as well as the requirements of the Legal Studies minor (<http://catalog.roosevelt.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/legal-studies-minor>) must be completed as part of the 91 or more credit hours.

## Requirements

As part of the 91 or more required credit hours, students must complete:

- Arts and Science major of student's choosing
- General Education requirements for Arts and Sciences
- Legal Studies minor Courses for this include:

### Courses in Legal Ideas

POS 329	PHILOSOPHY OF LAW	3
POS 374	UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONAL LAW	3
POS 375	CIVIL RIGHTS & CIVIL LIBERTIES	3

### Courses in Legal Skills

BCOM 301	BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS	3
PHIL 209	CRITICAL THINKING	3
or PHIL 210	LOGIC	
WRTG 160	THE ART OF PERSUASION	3

Completion of the following courses is preferred:

HIST 106 & HIST 107	THE UNITED STATES TO 1865 and THE UNITED STATES SINCE 1865	3-6
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or HIST 107	THE UNITED STATES SINCE 1865	
ECON 101	PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMICS I	3
POS 101	UNITED STATES POLITICS	3

### General Education, University Writing Requirement, and Electives

Courses to total 91	91
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Upon completion of 91 or more credit hours, students must have achieved a minimum GPA and LSAT score as determined by John Marshall and made available from the Office of Admission.

Once students have completed the above requirements and are admitted to John Marshall, the first 29 credit hours successfully completed there will be cross-credited by Roosevelt and applied toward the completion of the bachelor's degree.

If a student is dropped for academic reasons from John Marshall after the first or second semester of law school, Roosevelt will determine which credits will be counted towards the bachelor's degree.

Roosevelt will determine whether to award credit to a student receiving a grade of "D" or lower at John Marshall.

Admission to The John Marshall Law School is not guaranteed for students in this program, but it does allow participating Roosevelt students to apply for the JD program a year sooner than other students and thus makes it possible for them to eliminate a year from the time it ordinarily takes to complete both degrees.

## General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Academic Communities of Practice</b>		
ACP 101	FIRST YEAR SEMINAR <sup>1</sup>	3
ACP 110	PRIMARY TEXTS	3
ACP 250	FOUNDATIONS FOR CHANGE	3
<b>English Composition <sup>2</sup></b>		
ENG 101	COMPOSITION I: CRITICAL READING & WRITING	3
ENG 102	COMPOSITION II: INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC RESEARCH	3
<b>Humanities</b>		
	Select 9 credits from the following subject areas: African-American Studies, Art History, English (excluding ENG 101 and ENG 102), History, Languages, Music, Philosophy, Theatre, Speech and Women's and Gender Studies	9
<b>Mathematics</b>		
MATH 110	QUANTITATIVE LITERACY (or above) <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Non-Western requirement</b>		
	Non-Western course (can be used for Humanities or Social Sciences general education requirements)	3
<b>RU mission-related course <sup>2</sup></b>		
LIBS 201	WRITING SOCIAL JUSTICE	3
<b>Science</b>		
	One biological science and one physical science required (at least one must be a four-hour lab (not applicable for science majors))	7-8
<b>Social Sciences</b>		

Select 9 credits from the following subject areas: African-American Studies, Anthropology, Economics, History, Journalism, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies 9

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Total Credit Hours 49-50

<sup>1</sup> Required for students who enter RU with fewer than 12 credit hours

<sup>2</sup> Minimum grade of C- required

<sup>3</sup> Math, Computer Science & Technology, and Science majors have different requirements--see advisor

These quantitative requirements also apply to degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences:

- Students may apply no more than 60 credit hours of 100-level courses toward the degree.
- Students must apply no fewer than 60 credit hours of 200- and 300-level courses toward the degree.
- Students must have at least 18 credit hours (of the 60 credit hours above) at the 300 level.
- Students may transfer in no more than 66 credit hours from community colleges.
- Students must take their final 30 hours at Roosevelt University. Note that some majors have additional requirements for RU hours.
- Students must have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher to graduate. Note that some majors have additional GPA requirements.
- Students must have a minimum of 90 hours in Arts and Sciences.
- Students may apply no more than 51 hours in the major (BA) or 57 hours in the major (BS)