

Degree Requirements for Accelerated Students
Entering Class of Spring 2017 and after

To be eligible for a Juris Doctor, a student must have:

- Completed 90 credit hours of course work with a cumulative GPA of a 2.00.
- Successfully completed the following minimum requirements:
 - 9 credits of legal writing (includes Legal Research and Analysis, Writing for Law Practice and ((Transactional Drafting or Pretrial Litigation Drafting))
 - 24 credits of first year core required courses (Contracts I & II, Property I & II, Torts I & II, Criminal Law, Civil Procedure I)
 - 19 credits of upper division required courses (Professional Responsibility, Evidence, Criminal Procedure, Constitutional Law I & II, Civil Procedure II)
 - 9 credits of core electives (Trusts & Estates, Family Law, Business Associations)
 - 6 credits of experiential learning – Three (3) of the six (6) credits must be a live client experience (experiential learning consists of clinics, practitioner clinics, externships, or simulations)
 - 6 credits of bar prep studies (must be taken in final semester)
- At least 64 of these credit hours shall be in courses that require attendance in regularly scheduled classroom sessions or direct faculty instruction.
- Conducted himself or herself as a fit candidate for admission to the bar.
- Satisfied all outstanding account balances owed to the school.
- Completed at least ten (10) legal pro bono hours. This work must be completed no later than the semester prior to the student's final semester of law school.

All students are required to complete first-year required courses prior to enrolling in any upper division course unless otherwise indicated on the suggested schedule. Additionally, upper division students who have not yet completed first year or upper division required courses must do so at the earliest possible opportunity. In order to satisfy FCSL graduation requirements, a passing grade must be received in all required courses. Therefore, any student who received a grade of "F" in any required course must re-take the course at the earliest possible opportunity.

**Recommended Course Sequence
Spring Admission – Accelerated
(Students Entering Spring 2017 and after)**

First Year		Second Year	
Spring Semester		Spring Intercession	
Legal Research and Analysis	3	Experiential Learning*	2
Criminal Law	3	Total Credits	2
Torts I	3	Spring Semester	
Contracts I	3	Civil Procedure II	3
Property I	3	Constitutional Law II	3
Total Credits	15	Criminal Procedure	3
Summer Intercession		Experiential Learning	4
Elective*	2	Family Law/Trusts & Estates/BA	3
Total Credits	2	Total Credits	16
Summer Semester		Summer Intercession	
Writing for Law Practice	3	Elective	2
Torts II	3	Total Credits	2
Property II	3	Summer Semester	
Total Credits	9	Professional Responsibility	3
Fall Intercession		Family Law/Trusts & Estates/BA	3
Elective*	2	Electives	3
Total Credits	2	Total Credits	9
Fall Semester		Fall Semester	
Civil Procedure I	3	Family Law/Trusts & Estates/BA	3
Trans. Drafting/Pretrial Litigation Drafting	3	Electives	8
Constitutional Law I	3	Bar Studies	6
Contracts II	3	Total Credits	17
Evidence	4	Year Two Total Credits	46
Total Credits	16	Total Cumulative Credits	90
Year One Total Credits	44		

*Elective designed for Fast Track Cohort only.