

BACHELOR OF ARTS/MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES DUAL DEGREE

Trinity Law School and Trinity College offer a dual Bachelor of Arts/Master of Legal Studies degree that pairs an MLS with an undergraduate B.A. degree in any major. This opportunity is open to qualified students in the Criminal Justice major as a part of the course of study but can be pursued by any major through the MLS preparation minor.

Approved students will take fifteen credits in the MLS, which, upon completion of those fifteen credits, will reduce the number of required credits from 120 to 105 in order to graduate with a bachelor of arts degree. This can be accomplished in one of the following ways:

THROUGH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR

- MLS 531 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=MLS%20531>) Criminal Law replaces CRJ 201 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=CRJ%20201>) Criminal Law and Procedure.
- MLS 565 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=MLS%20565>) Juvenile Law and Delinquency replaces CRJ 361 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=CRJ%20361>) Juvenile Justice and Delinquency.
- MLS 575 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=MLS%20575>) Law and Theory of Corrections replaces CRJ 330 (<https://nextcatalog.tiu.edu/search/?P=CRJ%20330>) Corrections.
- Six (6) additional hours of credit are taken as part of the integration aspect of the major and can be selected from the following options:

Code	Title	Hours
MLS 505	Philosophy and Theology of Justice	3
MLS 521	Contracts	3
MLS 540	Human Trafficking	3
MLS 541	Torts	3
MLS 558	Legal Fundamentals	3
MLS 572	Victimology and Restorative Justice	3
MLS 702	Business Organizations	3
MLS 783	Criminal Procedure	3

THROUGH THE MLS PREPARATION MINOR

Alternatively, students can complete the MLS Preparation Minor including the following Trinity College and Law School Courses:

Code	Title	Hours
Trinity College		
CRJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
Trinity Law School		
MLS 505	Philosophy and Theology of Justice	3
MLS 521	Contracts	3
MLS 541	Torts	3
MLS 558	Legal Fundamentals	3

MLS 702	Business Organizations	3
Total Hours		18

APPLICATION

Qualified applicants must have a Trinity GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and 60 hours of undergraduate coursework. Students may apply for acceptance to the dual degree through Trinity Law School with a positive recommendation from their academic advisor. Transfer students may apply for the program if they have 60 hours of undergraduate coursework and a positive recommendation from a former professor or their academic advisor and a 3.0 GPA for all transferred college work and 3.0 GPA in Trinity coursework. Students are advised to apply to the program as early as possible to allow for expedient course planning and to assure that overlapping course requirements can be planned and scheduled.