

PHILOSOPHY, BACHELOR'S TO LAW, J.D. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Saint Louis University's accelerated Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy to Law, Juris Doctor program allows students to apply a maximum of 29 first-year law school credits to their undergraduate degree program and receive their bachelor's degree after the successful completion of the first year at the SLU School of Law (<https://www.slu.edu/law/>).

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following SLU programs:

Philosophy, B.A. (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/philosophy/philosophy-ba/>)

Juris Doctor (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/law/juris-doctor/>)

Accreditation

Saint Louis University School of Law has been continuously accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) since December 1924. The accrediting body is the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60654, 312-988-6738.

Requirements

Students are eligible to apply to the B.A. in philosophy/J.D. program any time in their undergraduate career after completing between 15 and 48 credits at SLU.

Students must maintain a 3.00 cumulative GPA to continue in the accelerated program. After completing 75 credits, students will submit an application to SLU LAW. If admitted to SLU LAW, these students will begin their J.D. program in their fourth year. The first year of law school coursework will count as elective credit toward the undergraduate bachelor's degree. Students will be awarded their bachelor's degree after successfully completing their first year of law school.

Students will be required to complete at least 75% of course hour credits necessary to earn their undergraduate degree (i.e., minimum 90 credits) before matriculating into the first year of law school. These hours must include University undergraduate core curriculum requirements and 21 additional credits in the philosophy major. All core curriculum and major requirements will be met before students matriculate.

Students not admitted to SLU LAW will remain eligible to receive a B.A. in philosophy from the College of Arts and Sciences upon successful completion of 120 credits.

Roadmap

Roadmaps are recommended semester-by-semester plans of study for programs and assume full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.

Courses and milestones designated as critical (marked with !) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation. Transfer credit may change the roadmap.

This roadmap should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their

advisor/mentor each semester. Requirements, course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
University Core and/or General Electives		12
CORE 1700	Ultimate Questions: Philosophy	3
Credits		15
Spring		
PHIL 2050	Ethics	3
PHIL 4040	Symbolic Logic	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
Credits		15
Year Two		
Fall		
PHIL 4400	History of Ancient Greek Philosophy	3
PHIL 3430	Philosophy of Law	3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
Credits		15
Spring		
PHIL 4600	History of Modern Philosophy	3
! PHIL Elective (with moral/social attribute)		3
University Core and/or General Electives		9
Credits		15
Year Three		
Fall		
! PHIL Electives (4000 level)		6
University Core and/or General Electives		9
Credits		15
Spring		
PHIL 4880	Senior Inquiry: Project	3
Elective Courses		12
Credits		15
Total Credits		90

School of Law

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
LAW 7000	Civil Procedure	4
LAW 7005	Criminal Law	3
LAW 7015	Torts	4
LAW 7020	Legal Analysis, Research and Communication I	3
LAW 7040	Professional Identity, Practices and Skills I	1
Credits		15
Spring		
LAW 7010	Contracts	4
LAW 7021	Legal Analysis, Research and Communication II	3
LAW 7025	Constitutional Law I	3

LAW 7030	Property	4
Credits		14
Year Two		
Fall		
LAW 7100	Legal Profession	3
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	12
Credits		15
Spring		
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	15
Credits		15
Year Three		
Seminar		2
Experiential coursework		6
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	22
Credits		30
Total Credits		89

Contact Us

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