

Accelerated Undergraduate-Graduate Programs

UCF Legal Studies/Barry Law/Touro Law Accelerated Legal Studies Degree Program (B.A. / B.S. to J.D.)

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Students seeking admission to either Barry University Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law in Orlando, Florida, or Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center in Central Islip, New York, through the accelerated legal studies program will meet all admissions requirements for the above referenced law school(s) and obtain a B.A./B.S. in Legal Studies after completion of the first year of the law school curriculum and all UCF requirements.

Admission Requirements

■ Students should apply for selection into this program no later than the end of the first semester of their junior year. Early student applications will also be accepted. Eligibility requirements include being a declared Legal Studies major, SAT score of 1175, high school GPA of 3.6, successful completion of a minimum of 15 credit hours of UCF course work with a 3.2 UCF GPA, completion of at least 33 credit hours of the required coursework in sections 4 and 5 below in residence at UCF, a personal statement essay, two letters of recommendation and a personal interview. More information about the admission and selection process (as well as deadlines for the application process) may be found at <http://www.cohpa.ucf.edu/legalstudies/index.shtml>.

Degree Requirements

■ Students selected by UCF faculty members for participation in the Accelerated Law Program must complete all UCF General Education Program requirements, all requirements for the major (B.A. or B.S.) in Legal Studies, and at least 90 total credit hours towards the baccalaureate degree.

■ Participants must maintain a minimum 3.2 overall GPA and cumulative 3.5 GPA in all UCF legal studies coursework. Failure to achieve minimum GPA requirements in any one semester may disqualify a student from further participation in the 3+3 Accelerated Law program.

■ Participating students may elect to complete their UCF bachelor's degree in residence at UCF under the following circumstances: students not accepted by Barry or Touro Law may complete their remaining requirements for graduation from UCF with a bachelor's degree; students who decide to opt out of the 3+3 Accelerated Law Program may elect to fulfill their remaining requirements for graduation from UCF with a bachelor's degree; and students who do not successfully complete their first year of course work at law school may elect to return to UCF to fulfill their remaining requirements for graduation from UCF with a bachelor's degree. Students decelerating to UCF decelerate back into the Legal Studies B.A./B.S. degree program. Students decelerating to UCF are bound by the UCF catalog requirements applicable to the year the student first entered UCF. For students passing some, but not all, of their required first year classes at Barry or Touro, classes successfully completed with a grade of "C" (2.0) or better will transfer back to UCF towards the successful completion of the student's electives needed for graduation.

■ Only courses with grades of "C" (2.0) or better can be transferred to UCF's legal studies' program of study.
■ Students are required to consult with a departmental advisor each semester at UCF to ensure that student is wholly advised as to all specific program requirements. Failure to meet with a departmental advisor each semester constitutes grounds for dismissal from the Accelerated Law Program.

1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)

A: Communication Foundations (9 hrs)

Required	ENC 1101	Composition I	3 hrs
Required	ENC 1102	Composition II	3 hrs
Prefer	SPC 1608	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3 hrs

B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)

C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)

D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)

E: Science Foundations (6 hrs)

2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)

■ None

3. Core Requirements: Basic Level

■ None

4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (18 hrs)

■ All core requirements must be completed with a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) to satisfy the major.

PLA 3014	Law and the Legal System	3 hrs
PLA 3108	Legal Research	3 hrs
PLA 3155	Legal Writing	3 hrs
PLA 3205	Civil Practice and Procedure	3 hrs
PLA 3615	Property and Real Estate Law	3 hrs
PLA 4703	Professional Ethics and Liability	3 hrs

5. Restricted Electives (30 hrs)

Upper Division Restricted Electives (21 hrs)

■ 21 additional hours of Legal Studies coursework selected in consultation with an advisor

Supporting Courses (9 hrs)

■ Students pursuing the B.A. degree must complete nine semester hours of supporting courses chosen with the approval of the student's advisor. Students pursuing the B.S. degree must complete fifteen hours of supporting courses chosen with the approval of the student's advisor.

6. Capstone Requirements (3 hrs)

■ Capstone must be completed with a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) to satisfy the major.

PLA 4935	Capstone: Legal Issues	3 hrs
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7. Foreign Language Requirements

Admissions

■ Two years of one foreign language in high school, or one year of one foreign language in college (or equivalent proficiency exam) prior to graduation.

Graduation

■ Students pursuing the B.A. degree must demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language equivalent to one year at college level. Students taking American Sign Language (ASL) to satisfy B.A. foreign language requirement must complete three semesters of ASL classes (ASL I, II and III).

8. Electives

■ If students chose the following electives, they must complete them with a minimum grade of a "C" (2.0): PLA 4020, PLA 4240, PLA 4910.

9. Additional Requirements

■ Students in the accelerated program will complete the following courses in their first year at either Barry or Touro Law:

Barry Law School:

Fall Semester

LAW 5307	Contracts I	3 hrs
LAW 5101	Civil Procedure I	3 hrs
LAW 5228	Property I	3 hrs
LAW 5109	Torts I	3 hrs
LAW 5010	Legal Research and Writing I	3 hrs

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Spring Semester

LAW 5407 Contracts II	3 hrs
LAW 5201 Civil Procedure II	2 hrs
LAW 5328 Property II	2 hrs
LAW 5209 Torts II	2 hrs
LAW 5020 Legal Research and Writing II	3 hrs
LAW 5106 Criminal Law	3 hrs

Touro Law School

Fall Semester

LAW 643 Legal Process I	3 hrs
LAW 671 Civil Dispute Resolution and Procedure I	3 hrs
LAW 610 Contracts I	3 hrs
LAW 615 Torts I	3 hrs
LAW 617 Criminal Law I	3 hrs

Spring Semester

LAW 633 Legal Process II	3 hrs
LAW 672 Civil Dispute Resolution and Procedure II	3 hrs
LAW 611 Contracts II	3 hrs
LAW 628 Torts II	3 hrs
LAW 631 Property I	3 hrs

10. Required Minors

- None

11. Departmental Exit Requirements

■ For the accelerated program, the degree is awarded after successful completion of the first year of law school at either Barry or Touro Law and completion of all UCF requirements. All course work must be at the "C" (2.0) level or higher for transfer purposes.

■ The accelerated program student must have completed all of the UCF General Education Program Requirements, all requirements for the Legal Studies Major, and a minimum of 90 combined credit hours of work at UCF before matriculating to law school under this program.

■ Students must earn the equivalent of 120 hours of course work (UCF and Law School (first year or second year of Law School credit hours) before receipt of a UCF Legal Studies Degree.

■ For students decelerating to the 4 year B.A./B.S. program, the student must complete all coursework in the baccalaureate curriculum as shown for a Legal Studies B.A./B.S. degree as specified in the catalog and all university requirements, including the completion of 120 credit hours.

12. University Minimum Exit Requirements

- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

Total Undergraduate Hours Required

- 120

Honors In Major

- None

Related Programs

- Criminal Justice
- History
- Political Science
- English - Pre-Law Track

Certificates

- None

Related Minors

- None

Advising Notes

- None

Transfer Notes

- None

Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses

- None

Shared Courses

- None

Graduate Courses Link

- None

Program Academic Learning Compacts

■ Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at:
http://www.oeas.ucf.edu/alc/academic_learning_compacts.htm