

## Curriculum for Combined Bachelors Degree (BA) Doctor of Law Degree (JD)

This is a 4 year program that is open to High School graduates and Home Schoolers

**Please Note: Completion of this program does not qualify any graduate to become a licensed attorney in the USA.** The purpose of our JD program is to offer Doctor of Law Degrees to students and working adults for purposes of career advancement and **not for the purpose of becoming a licensed attorney in the USA.** Depending on your country, if you are an international student, our Doctor of Law degree (JD) may qualify you to practice law in your country. Please refer to our Program Description for a listing of careers and opportunities you can achieve with a J.D. From Blue Marble University.

**Please also note that this is a combined BA/JD program which must be completed in its entirety to receive a BA/JD degree. We do not offer to issue and will not issue a B.A. Degree to persons that only complete the Part 1 segment of the combined program.**

Part 1: Undergraduate Segment Leading to a B.A. Degree As Part of Our Combined Fast Track Program for High School Students To Obtain a Combined BA/JD Degree in Four Years			
Year	Trimester	Course	Credits
1	1	English Writing: Practice writing essays and essentials of English composition	6
		Computer Basics: A review of hardware and software, web browsers, web apps, working with photos and videos, handling large files	6
		Introduction to blogging and creation of online digital portfolio	6
	2	Constitution of the United States: Study of the document along with the rights embodied in the Declaration of Independence	6
		History of Religion: Various world religions are covered with emphasis on social laws promulgated by them	6
		Budgets for Home and Business: Practice creating budgets, analyzing monthly costs, identification of internet resources relating to maintaining budgets	6
	3	Savings, Investments, and Retirement: Discussion of real world issues relating to money; savings vehicles and compounding, types of investments, various aspects and alternatives to retirement planning	6
		Colloquium: Various topics are discussed and presented relating to aspects of social media, introduction to the preparation of business plans, preparation of Curriculum Vitae; lessons to be learned from the entrepreneurs in Nepal, a poor country.	6
		Sources of the Law: We identify sources of federal and state law, and present ways of accessing the material via the internet.	6

The successful completion of this part of the Program qualifies the student to continue on to the doctoral portion of the program which leads upon completion to the award of a combined Bachelor of Arts/Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree [BA/JD].

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Part 2: Doctoral Degree Segment Leading to BA/JD Degree**

Year #	Trimester	Course	Credits
2	1	Introduction to Law: Common Law vs Statutory Law; the Legal Method; Law from Religions of the World	3
		Contracts 1: Formation of Contract, meeting of the minds, statue of frauds, third party beneficiary; Breach of Contract and Damages; law of conditions and discharge, contracts void by public policy	3
		Civil Procedure and Evidence: Basic civil procedure is covered with emphasis on evidence, types of evidence, hearsay evidence and the like	3
	2	Legal Research and Writing: How to find and report the law in Memoranda and Briefs; proper law citation	3
		Personal Property: Distinguishing between real and personal property; ownership, leases, sales, basis for tax purposes	3
		Agency and Partnerships: Who is an agent; the rights and liabilities of partners; Master and Servant	3
	3	Torts (1): Negligence law and liability for injuries	3
		Torts (2); Intentional torts such as defamation, assault, invasion of privacy	3
		Suretyship: The law of guaranty	3
3	1	Real Property: The law of land and improvements; system of estates; control of land via zoning and regulatory takings	3
		Uniform Commercial Code: The course closely follows the UCC text, covering Sales, transactions in goods, breach of sales contracts, remedies, and the law of Warranty.	3
		Labor and Employment Law: The course focuses on regulations relating to employment relationships, such as, wages, hours, benefits, health care, termination, employment contracts	3
	2	Remedies: Types of remedies, particularly equitable remedies in the nature of injunction and specific performance as well as federal law remedies for breach of constitutional law.	3
		Criminal Law and Procedure: We cover examples of criminal law, common law vs statutory, with emphasis on evidence gathering and chain of custody; rights of the accused.	3
		Forensic Evidence: Types of forensic evidence with emphasis on scientific methods	3
	3	Wills and Estates: The creation of Wills; types of Trusts; Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, probate and administration of Estates	3
		Administrative Law and Procedure: Due process and right to hearing; rule-making; freedom of information; the hearing process and appeals from administrative decisions	3

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		Products Liability: The law of defective products is covered including breach of warranty; contract vs tort remedies are compared and contrasted	3
4	1	Insurance adjusting and claims: This course examines basic insurance contracts, fire, casualty losses; insurance adjusting is examined and negotiation of claims by claims examiners is covered.	3
		Business Associations and Company Formation: Types of business entities, sole proprietor, partnerships, limited partnerships, and corporations are studied	3
		Securities Law: The elements of State and federal Securities laws are covered. The student will learn how to draft a securities registration statement under federal and state law;	3
	2	Exemptions from Securities Laws: How to raise funds under exemptions from the securities laws; the new approach to money raising via crowd funding.	3
		State and Federal Tax (1): The Internal Revenue Code is studied, and the basics of state taxes personal and business are reviewed. We will work with actual tax returns, and will try also to cover the Federal Estate Tax Form	3
		State and Federal Tax (2): Employment taxes relating to employees will be identified and the rates reviewed; Also covered is the monthly, quarterly, and annual reporting and depositing of employee taxes by a business owner/employer	3
	3	Health Care Law: a variety of topics in insurance, liability, regulatory compliance, and aspects of Obamacare are covered	3
		Hospital Management: Administration of hospitals and medical facilities, doctors offices, is covered with emphasis on patient care and records.	3
		Operating a Business: In this course we look at the entire process of owning and operating a business, using a law office business as our example. The course covers setting up the business, cost estimates, income projections, selecting the number and type of employees, marketing, use of the internet, software examples for employee tax withholding, planning for preparation and filing of tax returns, and sale of the business.	3

**Doctoral Program Total: 72 TRIMESTER CREDITS (Equivalent to the USA Minimum Requirement for a Doctoral Degree)**

**Credits:** In the 3 year portion of the doctoral program, each of the above courses (with the exception of Dissertation Presentation and Completion of Online Portfolio which is 6 credits) consists of 3 trimester credits each. The program comprises 72 trimester credits, and consequently is equivalent to the minimum 60 semester credits for a USA regionally accredited college or university. Upon completion, and for a nominal fee, graduates will be able to obtain a Certificate of Equivalency from a foreign education credentials evaluation service approved by the USA Department of Education for employment purposes in the USA.