

# PHILOSOPHY, B.A. 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 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

### Admission Requirements

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

Students must maintain a 3.50 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.

Students must complete at least 91 credits before beginning law school coursework. These must include the Undergraduate University Core requirements and philosophy major requirements.

### Program Requirements

The first year of law school coursework will count as elective credit toward the undergraduate bachelor's degree, up to 29 law school credits. Students will be awarded their bachelor's degree after successfully completing their fourth year of study/first year of law school, a minimum of 120 credits.

Undergraduate Program Requirement	Met by Graduate Course
University Electives	29 credits Law school coursework

Students must maintain a 3.50 cumulative GPA to continue in the accelerated program. 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

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in

consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

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

## School of Law

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
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
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
LAW 7010	Contracts	4
LAW 7021	Legal Analysis, Research and Communication II	3
LAW 7025	Constitutional Law I	3
LAW 7030	Property	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
LAW 7100	Legal Profession	3
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	12
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	15
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
Seminar		2
Experiential coursework		6
Law Elective	Any LAW Course	22
<b>Credits</b>		<b>30</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>89</b>

## Contact Us

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