

# LAW: THESIS, LLM

## REQUIREMENTS

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Code	Title	Credits
LAW 601	Introduction to American Law	3
LAW 602	Legal Sources	3
LAW 990	Directed Research	6
Additional elective coursework in LAW to reach 24 credits		12
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24</b>

An overall Law School C average (2.0) is needed for satisfactory completion of the Master of Laws: Law: Course-Based program. A course grade of D+ or below will be averaged into the GPA, but the course will not count towards the 24-credit course requirement.

### POLICIES

#### CREDITS

- Satisfactory completion of at least 13 credits in residence while enrolled as an LL.M. student
- Students who are participating in an approved reciprocal exchange of credits agreement between their home university and the Law School at the master's level may apply up to 6 credits in law classes earned at their home university at the master's level towards the LL.M. degree. When an approved reciprocal exchange of credits agreement is not in place, students may petition the Graduate Programs Committee to apply up to 6 credits in law classes earned at their home university at the master's level towards the LL.M. degree.
- Students may apply up to 11 credits in law classes earned through a Law School approved exchange program, the Visiting International Student Program Law Thematic Track, and University of Wisconsin Law School LL.M. Pathway Courses towards the LL.M. Degree.
- Any credits earned at the Law School or in any collaborative program must have been earned within 6 years of the completion of this program.
- Credits for courses taken in the Master of Laws: Law: Course-Based program may not transfer for students applying to the J.D. program at UW Law School.

#### GRADES

- Students in this program are graded using the Law School's grade scale, provided in Law School Rule 2.01. A grade of C- or higher in a Law School course or seminar will be deemed satisfactory completion of a course and will satisfy program standards. The grades for courses taken outside the Law School in other University departments must be BC or better to count towards the program. Law School Rule 2.01 should be relied on to determine the overall GPA of the student in the Master of Laws: Law: Course-Based program. An overall C (2.0) average is needed for satisfactory completion of this program. A course grade of D+ or below will be averaged into the GPA, but the course will not count towards the 24 credit course requirement. LAW 990 Directed Research and LAW 991 Directed Reading are graded Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory (not by letter grades) and therefore are not used in calculating the GPA. The pass/

fail option is not available to unless the course is offered only on a pass/fail basis.

- The candidate's program, including courses dropped or added after the initial consultation with the Law School (Master of Laws: Law: Course-Based program) academic adviser, is subject to the approval of the Law School academic adviser and the Graduate Admissions Committee.
- Courses taken outside of the LAW subject will not factor into the law GPA.

### RESIDENCE

- Registration and physical presence as a student at the University of Wisconsin Law School for one academic year is required. The residence requirement may be reduced to one semester for students who have earned at least 11 credits through one or more of the following: a Law School approved exchange program, the Visiting International Student Program Law Thematic Track, University of Wisconsin Law School LL.M. Pathway courses, a reciprocal exchange of credits agreement between their home university and the Law School at the master's level.

### TERM FOR COMPLETION OF PROGRAM

- The program is normally to be completed within the residence period. An extension for up to two semesters can be granted with the approval of the Graduate Programs Committee.
- Programs may include up to 36 credits, but no candidate for the Master of Laws: Law: Course-Based shall be permitted to continue after the semester in which the candidate earns 36 credits.

### AWARD OF DEGREE

- The granting of the degree shall be recommended to the Law School Dean on the approval of the satisfactorily completed program by the Graduate Programs Office and the Graduate Programs Committee.