



JD Preference Enrollment Policy
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The goal of the JD Preference Enrollment Policy is to ensure that the College of Law is complying with its obligations under ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools 105(b), 313, and 506; internal University and College of Law policies, and the July 11, 2017, ABA Acquiescence for the Master of Legal Studies Program.

1. General Policy

Subject to approval by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and, where appropriate, the instructor of record, an individual who has previously earned the equivalent of a Bachelor's Degree may enroll in any upper-level J.D. course as an auditor, non-degree candidate, or candidate for a degree other than a J.D., provided that such enrollment does not interfere with the ability of the College of Law to operate in compliance with the Standards and to carry out its program of legal education.

2. Required and Elective Courses at the College of Law

Where a class offered at the College of Law is a required course or an elective course in one or more degree-granting programs outside the College of Law J.D. program, the Associate Dean shall request that the program provide an estimate of the number of seats needed in the course before the course is scheduled. The AD will schedule sufficient seats in the course for both the estimated JD and non-JD enrollment. The AD will continue to offer the number of JD seats that would normally be allocated to College of Law JD students consistent with ABA standards, historic course enrollment, the pedagogical needs of the class, instructor availability, and room availability.

The College of Law Registrar shall manage seats for courses not cross-listed with other programs consistent with College of Law policies. Each program will manage its own allotted seats for cross-listed courses.

3. All Other Non-JD Enrollment

Subject to approval by the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and, where appropriate, the instructor of record, an individual may enroll in any upper-division J.D. course as an auditor, non-degree candidate, or candidate for a degree other than a J.D. on a space-available basis. Non-J.D. students wishing to enroll in a J.D. course must follow University of Utah requirements and must submit a [Non-Law Student Registration Request](#) to the College of Law. Generally, successful applicants will be enrolled at the time set by the University for open enrollment, thus providing College of Law JD students the first opportunity to register for all College of Law courses.

However, the College of Law may delay enrolling non-J.D. students where necessary to ensure that College of Law JD students have sufficient opportunity to register, such as courses required for graduation, preparation for the Bar examination, or a certificate.

4. Bar Examination

Utah is the applicable Bar Examination jurisdiction for purposes of ABA Standard 313(c).

5. Scheduling

All scheduling for courses housed at the College of Law will remain on the College of Law calendar for course minutes, exams, and grading deadlines.