

Combined JD in Law with Graduate Studies in

Industrial Relations, Economics, or Public Administration

MIR/JD, MA/JD
& MPA/JD



Why combine the **JURIS DOCTOR** with a **MASTER'S** degree?

Because today's knowledge-based economy demands law graduates with specialized and interdisciplinary education, the Queen's Faculty of Law has partnered with the School of Graduate Studies to offer students cross-disciplinary legal education in three combined degree programs: Master of Industrial Relations/Juris Doctor, Master of Arts (Economics)/Juris Doctor and Master of Public Administration/Juris Doctor.

The Master of Industrial Relations/Juris Doctor (MIR/JD) is a 3.5 year combined degree program that merges graduate training in human resources management, employment and labour policy with a professional degree in law. Likewise, the Master of Public Administration/Juris Doctor (MPA/JD) is a 3.5 year combined program. The MPA/JD is an excellent choice if you seek to combine advanced skills in policy analysis and management with training in law for

successful policy development and implementation. In the three-year MA (Econ)/JD combined degree program, students receive excellent training and gain a strong comparative advantage to pursue careers in specialized legal work that requires knowledge of economic theory and social science methods, high-level policy work, and academia.



Program **OVERVIEW** and **STRUCTURES**

MA (ECON)/JD

- Three years (full time). Course work, seminars, plus MA (Econ) research essay.
- First-year registration in School of Graduate Studies, undertake first-year law courses, complete mandatory Economics courses, complete Master's research essay in spring/summer term (MA Economics convocation in the Fall)
- Registration in Faculty of Law in second and third year. Complete all mandatory courses required for the combined program.
- Participate in summer placements with government agencies or other firms
- Option to participate in International Business Law and Public International Law Programs at Bader International Study Centre (U.K.) in second year spring term.
- Licensing Exams and Articling pursued *after* graduation

MIR/JD

- Three to 3.5 years (full time). Course work, seminars, + MIR research project.
- First-year registration in School of Graduate Studies, complete first-year law courses & MIR courses, & complete a Master's research project or attend the summer term at the BISC (MIR convocation in the Fall).
- Registration in Faculty of Law in second, third, and fourth year. Complete all mandatory courses required for the combined program.
- Take positions with employment & labour law firms in second & third year spring/summer terms.
- Licensing Exams and Articling pursued *after* graduation.

MPA/JD

- Three to 3.5 years of course work and seminars.
- First-year registration in School of Graduate Studies, undertake first-year law courses, complete MPA courses (MPA convocation in the Fall).
- Registration in Faculty of Law in second, third, and fourth year. Complete all mandatory courses required for the combined program.
- Take positions with provincial or federal government offices or law firms with a public law focus in second & third year spring/summer terms.
- Licensing Exams and Articling pursued *after* graduation.



Set your ideas in motion

Graduate Studies FAQs

Where can I get help?

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Check out the [SGS HABITAT](#) for available resources.

What is the community like?

At Queen's, graduate students from all disciplines learn and discover in a close-knit intellectual community. You will find friends, peers and support among the graduate students enrolled in Queen's more than 130 graduate programs within 50+ departments & research centres. With the world's best scholars, and prize-winning professional development opportunities, Queen's offers a wonderful environment for graduate studies.



Application FAQs

What do I need to know to APPLY?

Requirements

- Competitive applicants for the **MIR/JD** and **MPA/JD** combined degree programs require a four-year honours undergraduate degree, an A-average or 3.7 GPA in the last two years, and an LSAT score ≥ 160 (80th percentile).
- Competitive applicants for the **MA (Econ)/JD** program must hold an Honours BA in Economics or related field with a minimum B+ cumulative average and A- in the final two years of the undergraduate program.
- Concurrent applications for admission must be made to the Faculty of Law through OLSAS and to Queen's School of Graduate Studies (SGS) for admission as a graduate student in the first year of each combined degree program.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (LAW):

- Application through [OLSAS](#)
- 2 Official transcripts from all post secondary institutions attended
- Official LSAT score(s)
- Personal Statement
- 1-3 confidential academic references

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (ECONOMICS):

- Application through SGS
- 2 Official transcripts from all post secondary institutions attended
- 2 confidential academic references

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS):

- Application through SGS
- 2 Official transcripts from all post secondary institutions attended
- 2 confidential academic references

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION):

- Application through SGS
- 2 Official transcripts from all post secondary institutions attended
- 2 confidential academic references
- Statement of Interest

Key Dates & Deadlines

- **LAW:** November 1st (through OLSAS)
- **ECONOMICS:** January 15th (through SGS)
- **INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS:** March 1st (through SGS)
- **PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:** January 15th (through SGS)

Funding

ECONOMICS, INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MA, MIR, AND MPA)

- Applicants to these graduate programs are encouraged to apply for OGS and Tricouncil awards including SSHRC, CIHR, NSERC (where applicable). Tricouncil award holders will automatically receive a one time \$5000 top up in their first year in their combined degree

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For more information about the combined JD programs, interested students are encouraged to visit the [Program Website](#) or contact:

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- **PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:** Fiona Froats, froatsf@queensu.ca