Combined Albany Law School JD and Clarkson University MBA or MBA in Healthcare Management

Clarkson University and Albany Law School offer two combined JD/MBA degree options; a JD/MBA in General Management and a JD/MBA in Healthcare Management. The combined programs allow students to “double count” courses which reduces the total time and cost associated with completing the two degrees separately. The combined degree is typically completed in four years or less.

Combined program students complete the first year full-time at Albany Law School. The second year is spent as a full-time student at Clarkson University with a typical course load of four courses per trimester. Some students complete the MBA requirements in the second year. Students should work closely with the law school registrar and adviser to prepare a plan. If necessary, students will complete the remaining courses by taking one MBA course per term in the third and fourth years. Albany Law School follows a semester academic calendar while Clarkson follows a quarter calendar. Students must complete the MBA requirements by the end of the winter quarter of the fourth year.

Once MBA requirements are met, Albany Law School will transfer in 13 credits of free electives from the MBA courses taken at Clarkson University. Clarkson University accepts up to 3 courses from the Law School. This usually reduces the total time needed to complete the JD from three years of course work to two and a half years. Students who have completed all course requirements at Albany Law School do not return for the 3L Spring term.

Admission Procedure and Requirements

Combined program students must apply and be accepted at each school independently. Clarkson University applications should be submitted no later than spring of the first year at Albany Law School.

- Generally an undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 is required to be considered for admission.
- Application materials can be found on-line at https://gradapp.clarkson.edu
- Tuition at Clarkson University is charged per course.
- Application materials include:
  - $50 fee
  - Application form
  - Essay
  - Resume
  - Transcripts
  - GMAT- CU will allow the LSAT scores to be substituted for the GMAT examination
  - Recommendations are not required, however the CU Admissions Committee reserves the right to request them if additional information is needed to make an admissions decision.

For further information about the Clarkson University MBA programs, please contact: Dan Capogna, Director of Graduate Admissions and Recruitment at graduate@clarkson.edu / 518.631.9831.

For further information about the Albany Law School programs, please contact: Joann Fitzsimmons jfitz@albanylaw.edu / 518.445.2324.
Both MBA programs consist of 16 courses (course = 3 CH), although course requirements differ slightly. Clarkson University will accept up to 3 courses taken at Albany Law School for credit toward either MBA. Courses taken as an undergraduate may also be considered for MBA course waiver.

**JD/MBA at Clarkson University course waivers based on ALS course work:**

1) One advanced course requirement will be waived with any one of the following courses taken at Albany Law School:
   - Bankruptcy
   - Corporate Governance and Finance
   - Estate Planning I
   - Estate Planning II
   - Federal Taxation of Estates, Trusts and Gifts
   - International Finance
   - Introduction to taxation
   - Federal Income Tax/Corp. Shareholders
   - Federal Income Tax/Partnerships

2) One advanced course requirement will be waived with any one of the following courses taken at Albany Law School:
   - Products Liability
   - Introduction to Intellectual Property
   - Labor Law
   - Trusts and Estates
   - Patents & Trade Secrets
   - Patents & Technology Licensing

3) One advanced course requirement will be waived with any one of the following courses taken at Albany Law School:
   - Business Organizations
   - Business Planning
   - Employment Regulation
   - Unfair Trade Practices
   - International Law
   - International Commercial Arbitration
   - International Human Rights Law
   - Commercial Law

Clarkson University will also consider courses not listed above if the content is business related.

**JD/MBA in Healthcare Management at Clarkson University course waivers based on ALS course work:**

1) Legal Aspects of Healthcare; a core MBA Healthcare requirement that is waived with Health Law taken at Albany Law School

2) Health Policy and Managerial Epidemiology; a core MBA Healthcare requirement that is waived with Administrative Law taken at Albany Law School

3) One course elective in the MBA Healthcare will be waived with any one of the following courses taken at Albany Law School
   - Antitrust in the Health Industry
   - Bioethics
   - Commercial Law Survey
   - Disabilities Law
   - Human Reproduction: Legal and Moral Issues
   - Malpractice in Health Care
   - Public Health Law