

# *PROGRAMS OF INSTRUCTION*

## *THE DOCTOR OF LAW (J.D.) DEGREE*

The regular or professional curriculum in the Law School is a three-year program leading to the degree of Doctor of Law (J.D.). The program is open to men and women who have received a Bachelor's degree from an approved college before beginning their study in the Law School. Students may begin the study of law only in the Autumn Quarter.

The entering class is limited to approximately 150 students. Students are selected on the basis of their college academic records, their performance on the Law School Admission Test (which is required of all applicants), and such other evidence of their academic and professional promise as may be available. Such evidence includes the letters of recommendation received from college instructors and others familiar with the applicant's personal qualifications and performance, relevant activities and achievements outside the classroom, and personal interviews. Applicants are encouraged to arrange for an interview with a representative of the School when possible. For this purpose members of the faculty and the administrative staff, as well as alumni, visit a number of colleges each year. Visits to the School by prospective applicants are encouraged. Appointments should be made in advance whenever possible.

The School customarily holds a luncheon and open house at the end of the Autumn Quarter to provide an informal opportunity for discussion of legal education and careers in law with individual faculty, students, and alumni. Applicants who plan to be in the Chicago area at that time should make arrangements in advance with the Dean of Students.

While superior academic performance in college is a general requirement for admission, no specific minimum standard is applied. The applicant's academic qualifications are judged not only with reference to his over-all average but by a careful evaluation of his college record. The quality of the program pursued, evidence of strong improvement in the later years in college, and outstanding performances in particular subjects often weigh heavily in the judgment made by the Committee on Admissions.

Because of the large number of applications that must be reviewed each year, it is desirable for candidates to apply early in the academic year prior to the year for which they seek admission. It is recommended that they take the Law School Admission Test in November. Each application is considered as soon as it is complete,

and decisions are made at the earliest practicable time. The applicant is advised of the action in his case whenever a final decision has been made by the Committee on Admissions. Applications should be filed not later than April 1.

#### A D M I S S I O N   P R O C E D U R E

A request for application forms should be addressed to the Dean of Students, The Law School, The University of Chicago, 1111 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637. The completed application form must be returned to the same office. At the same time an application fee of \$15, in the form of a check or money order payable to The University of Chicago, must be sent to the Bursar of the University. The application fee is not refundable.

The applicant must request each college or university he has attended to send to the Law School an official transcript covering all work taken by him, both undergraduate and graduate. (Transcripts mailed directly by the applicant will not be sufficient.) The transcripts should cover all work completed to the date of application. Action may be taken on an application on the basis of three years of college grades, although such action may be conditioned upon the submission of a supplemental transcript showing satisfactory completion of later work.

The applicant must also arrange to take the Law School Admission Test and to have an official report of his scores on the test sent to the Law School. Application forms for the test and information about it may be obtained by writing to Law School Admission Test, Educational Testing Service, Box 944, Princeton, New Jersey 08640. Applications to take the test must be received by the Educational Testing Service at least two weeks before the scheduled date of the test. The test is scheduled to be given on November 11, 1967, February 10, 1968, April 6, 1968, and August 3, 1968, at selected locations in the United States and abroad. Applications to take the test at foreign centers must be received at least one month before the scheduled date. Requests for the establishment of special centers in the United States or Canada or for special examination dates must be received by the Educational Testing Service at least five weeks before the scheduled test date, and for special foreign centers at least eight weeks before the scheduled test date.

At the time of application to the Law School the applicant is asked to give the names of three persons who will furnish letters of recommendation about him. The applicant is responsible for seeing that these letters are mailed directly to the Law School. The letters of recommendation must be received before an application is considered complete.

Upon being notified of his admission, an applicant is required to pay an acceptance deposit of \$50, in the form of a check or money order payable to The University of Chicago, to hold his place in the entering class. The Office of Student Housing assigns dormitory space in the order in which deposits are received by the Bursar of the University. The deadline for payment of the acceptance deposit is

specified in the applicant's letter of admission and will vary depending upon the date of the action on his application for admission or for a scholarship. In no event will an applicant be required to make an acceptance deposit before April 1 or before receiving notification of action on a scholarship application. The acceptance deposit is not refundable unless illness, induction into the military service, or other sufficient cause prevents an applicant from entering the Law School in the year for which he has been accepted. The deposit is applied against the tuition charge.

Students considering postponement of their entrance into law school (for a year's study abroad, for example) may do well to complete the application for admission to law school during the senior year of college and thereafter request that it be considered for the later year, although admission in one year does not necessarily insure admission for a subsequent year. Applicants who are admitted and who are drafted prior to enrolment in the Law School will be given preferred consideration for admission in the year following completion of their military service.

#### A D M I S S I O N   W I T H   A D V A N C E D   S T A N D I N G

A student in good standing at an approved law school who has completed at least one year of law study may apply for admission to the Law School with advanced standing. The amount of transfer credit which may be recognized will be determined on the facts of each case. Ordinarily students admitted with advanced standing will be required to complete at least six quarters (two academic years) of residence at the Law School to qualify for the J.D. degree. A Bachelor's degree from an approved college is a prerequisite to admission with advanced standing upon transfer from an American law school, and no transfer credit will be granted for legal studies for which credit toward a Bachelor's degree has been received.

A graduate of an approved law school whose studies have been primarily in the common law may apply for admission as a third-year student and may become a candidate for the J.D. degree. Such a candidate must complete a minimum of three quarters of residence in the Law School and a minimum of 44 course hours, in a program approved by the faculty, to qualify for the degree.

A graduate of an approved foreign law school whose studies have not been primarily in the common law may apply for admission as a candidate for the J.D. degree in regular course. In the case of such a candidate the requirements for the degree may be met in part by the recognition of credits of up to 45 course hours if performance while in residence in the Law School demonstrates the effective value of the student's earlier legal studies in a foreign system.

Inquiries and requests for application forms concerning admission with advanced standing should be addressed to the Dean of Students of the Law School.

To receive the J.D. degree a student must have been in residence for nine full quarters, maintained satisfactory academic standing, and received credit for the prescribed courses and other required units of credit. A total of 135 course hours, or  $33\frac{3}{4}$  course units, is required. (Credit in the Law School is ordinarily measured in course hours but for certain purposes is expressed in course units. A single course unit is the equivalent of four course hours, or four hours per week for one quarter.) To qualify for residence for a full quarter a student must take and complete 12 or more course hours.

In each course, seminar, or other credit work the student receives a final grade according to the following scale: *A*, 80 and above; *B*, 74-79; *C*, 68-73; *D*, 60-67; *F*, below 60. (Grades are recorded as numerical grades in the Office of the Law School and as letter grades in the Office of the Registrar of the University.) A grade of 60 or above is required for credit for the work involved.

To maintain satisfactory academic standing a student must receive a weighted grade average of 68 or more for the work of each academic year. In addition, a student who receives two failing final grades in any one academic year, or three failing final grades during his period of residence at the Law School, will not have maintained satisfactory academic standing. Maintenance of satisfactory academic standing is a prerequisite to continuation in the School as well as for graduation.

Regular class attendance is required as a condition of receiving credit for work done, and the privilege of membership in the School may be withdrawn for unsatisfactory class work or attendance.

After the first four weeks of any quarter a student is not permitted to withdraw from a course, seminar, or special work for which he has registered that quarter except with the permission of the Dean of Students.

The degree of Doctor of Law, *cum laude*, is awarded to candidates who have satisfied the requirements for the degree with distinction. The achievement of a weighted grade average of 78 or better is considered to be completion of the requirements with distinction.

#### COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

The program of the Graduate School of Business permits a student to earn both the J.D. and the M.B.A. degrees in four calendar years. He may complete these requirements by attending the Law School during the regular academic year for three years and the Graduate School of Business during the intervening summers plus an additional regular academic year. In the alternative a student may enter the accelerated program of the Graduate School of Business in the Summer Quarter immediately following his graduation from college, completing that program in five consecutive quarters, and be ready to enter the Law School at the beginning of

the regular academic year one year after graduation from college. For information about these programs in the Graduate School of Business students should write the Dean of Students of that School.

Students in the Law School may become candidates for advanced degrees in other fields and earn credit toward such degrees by study during the regular summer quarters of the University while enrolled in the Law School, where the requirements and offerings of the particular department involved are compatible with such work. Arrangements for such combined programs should be made during the first year of law study, in consultation with the Dean of the Law School and the appropriate officer of the other department.

## *THE GRADUATE PROGRAMS*

The Law School offers four regular programs of study beyond the first degree in law leading to advanced degrees. These are (1) the Master of Laws (LL.M.) Program, providing a year of advanced study for Anglo-American law graduates; (2) the Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.S.D.) Program, under which Anglo-American graduates may engage in advanced study and research; (3) the Comparative Law Program, intended primarily for students whose training has been in legal systems other than the common law; and (4) the Foreign Law Program, a program designed to give graduates of American law schools specialized competence in a foreign legal system and in international studies. Details of these programs are set out below.

In addition to these regular programs the Law School is prepared to arrange, for especially qualified graduate students or established scholars, special programs of study and research in the fields of Law and Economics, International Trade and Development, and Criminal Law and Criminology. A number of fellowships for such study are available.

Admission to the Graduate Programs, supervision of students' programs, and the administration of requirements for degrees is in charge of the faculty Committee on Graduate Studies. The grading system and the requirements for satisfactory academic standing applicable to students in the J.D. program are applicable to students in the Graduate Programs, except where higher requirements are imposed by the rules of the Graduate Programs. Students whose native tongue is other than English may receive extra time on examinations with the written permission of the instructor concerned.

## THE MASTER OF LAWS PROGRAM

The graduate program leading to the LL.M. degree makes available to qualified law graduates a year of advanced study in the Law School. The program provides an opportunity for law graduates who wish to develop specialized interests, who desire to supplement their undergraduate legal education, and who may wish to engage in individual research. The program is limited to students (1) who have obtained an undergraduate degree from an approved school of Anglo-American law, (2) whose undergraduate record displays high scholarly aptitude, and (3) who display qualities of maturity and serious purpose sufficient to justify the expectation that they will satisfactorily complete the requirements for the LL.M. degree.

The degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) is awarded to students who have been in residence for three full consecutive academic quarters, have completed their studies with a *B* average or above, and have satisfactorily completed in the course of their studies a substantial research paper under the supervision of a member of the law faculty. To qualify for residence for a full quarter, the student must take and complete the equivalent of 12 or more course hours. Credit for 36 course hours and the maintenance of satisfactory academic standing are needed to qualify for the degree.

The program of graduate study is expected to occupy the student's full time during his academic year in residence at the School. Each student's course of study may include individual work under the direction of a member of the law faculty; courses and seminars in the Law School; and, when appropriate, related courses at the graduate level in other schools and divisions of the University. If a student elects individual work for credit, the supervising faculty member will submit a report to the Chairman of the Committee on Graduate Studies describing the nature of the work submitted and copies of papers submitted. All such papers will be deposited in the library of the Law School. If the student's program includes courses open to J.D. candidates, supplementary work in such courses may be required.

Students admitted to candidacy for the J.S.D. degree will be awarded the LL.M. degree following completion of the year in residence. Students admitted to the J.S.D. program but who are denied admittance to candidacy for the J.S.D. degree and who have satisfied the requirements for the LL.M. degree may be awarded the LL.M. degree upon recommendation of the Committee on Graduate Studies and favorable action by the faculty.

## THE DOCTOR OF JURISPRUDENCE PROGRAM

The graduate program leading to the J.S.D. degree is intended to give superior law graduates an opportunity to secure advanced and specialized training, to cultivate their capacities for significant independent research, and to contribute to the development of legal scholarship. The program is limited to students (1) who have obtained an undergraduate law degree from an approved school of Anglo-American law, (2) whose undergraduate record displays outstanding scholarly

aptitude, (3) who at the time of their admission demonstrate well-defined research interests, and (4) who display qualities of maturity and serious purpose sufficient to justify the expectation that they will successfully complete the requirements of the doctorate.

The degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.S.D.) is awarded to students who have been in residence for three full consecutive academic quarters, have completed their studies with a *B* average or above, and, after admission to candidacy for the degree, have submitted a dissertation that is accepted by the faculty as a creditable contribution to legal scholarship. To qualify for residence for a full quarter, the student must take and complete the equivalent of 12 or more course hours. Credit for 36 course hours and the maintenance of satisfactory academic standing are needed to qualify for the degree.

The program of graduate study is expected to occupy the student's full time during his academic year in residence at the School. Each student's course of study may include individual work under the direction of a member of the law faculty; courses and seminars in the Law School; and, when appropriate, related courses at the graduate level in other schools of the University. If a student elects individual work for credit, the supervising faculty member will submit a report to the Chairman of the Committee on Graduate Studies describing the nature of the work submitted and copies of papers submitted. All such papers will be deposited in the library in the Law School. If the student's program includes courses open to J.D. candidates, supplementary work in such courses may be required.

Within two weeks after the beginning of the student's first academic quarter in residence the Chairman of the Committee on Graduate Studies will appoint a faculty dissertation committee to supervise the student's research program. The faculty dissertation committee will consist of three members, the chairman of which will be a member of the faculty of the Law School. Whenever appropriate, faculty members of other departments of the University may be appointed to serve on faculty dissertation committees. The student upon being notified of the appointment of the faculty dissertation committee will consult with the chairman on the choice of a dissertation topic and on all other matters deemed appropriate by the committee. At a time not later than the end of the first academic quarter in residence, the student will submit to the dissertation committee a dissertation topic and a tentative outline of the proposed dissertation in such form as is required by the dissertation committee. Upon approval of the topic and outline by the dissertation committee, the chairman of that committee will file a statement of the dissertation topic and a copy of the tentative outline with the Committee on Graduate Studies.

Before the end of the second academic quarter in residence, the student will submit to the faculty dissertation committee a segment of his dissertation of such nature and length as in the opinion of the committee will provide a basis for judgment of the quality of the work in progress and of the likelihood of its being brought to successful completion. Upon receipt of the segment of the dissertation, the chairman

will set a date for an oral examination on the dissertation outline and dissertation segment. The examination will be conducted by the faculty dissertation committee and such other members of the Law School faculty as elect to participate in the examination. Upon successful completion of the oral examination and the required academic work in residence, the student will be admitted to candidacy for the J.S.D. degree.

The dissertation must be submitted to the Committee on Graduate Studies within five years after the completion of the period in residence. To be acceptable, the dissertation must constitute a creditable contribution to legal scholarship and must be in publishable form. Three permanently bound typewritten, printed, or litho-printed copies must be deposited with the Committee on Graduate Studies not later than five weeks before the date of the convocation at which the degree is to be granted. Dissertations must conform to requirements of form established by the Committee on Graduate Studies.

Bigelow Teaching Fellows admitted to the graduate program may satisfy one academic quarter of the residence requirement during their three-quarter period as teaching fellows.

#### THE COMPARATIVE LAW PROGRAM

The graduate Comparative Law Program makes available to law graduates trained primarily in foreign legal systems the opportunity to acquire a knowledge of American law and legal institutions, to pursue comparative studies in their fields of special interest, and to engage in research in such fields. The degrees awarded in this program are the Master of Comparative Law (M.Comp.L.) and the Doctor of Comparative Law (D.Comp.L.).

Admission to the Comparative Law Program is open to students who are graduates of approved foreign law schools and whose credentials establish to the satisfaction of the Committee on Graduate Studies that they are qualified to undertake advanced study and research in law.

The degree of Master of Comparative Law is awarded to students who have completed with distinction the residence work required for the degree of Doctor of Comparative Law and who are recommended for the M.Comp.L. degree by the Committee on Graduate Studies and by the faculty.

The degree of Doctor of Comparative Law is awarded to students who have been in residence for three full consecutive quarters, have completed their studies with distinction, and, after admission to candidacy for the degree, have submitted a dissertation that is accepted by the faculty as a creditable contribution to the literature of comparative law. To qualify for residence for a full quarter, the student must take and complete 12 or more course hours. The program is individually arranged with the student's faculty adviser and is expected to occupy the student's full time. At least half of the student's work in residence must be devoted to some phases of



Anglo-American law. If the work in residence is completed with distinction, and a detailed outline and partial draft of the dissertation are submitted and approved, the student will be admitted as a candidate for the doctorate. Thereafter the candidate's dissertation must be submitted to the faculty for its approval within a reasonable period of time as set by the candidate's dissertation committee.

*Certificate program.*—Graduates of approved foreign law schools whose studies have not been primarily in the common law may apply for admission to a program designed to give a one-year introduction to Anglo-American law. Upon completion of a year's work such students will be given a certificate of attendance or a certificate for courses successfully completed.

#### THE FOREIGN LAW PROGRAM

The Foreign Law Program is a two-year program of intensive training in the law and legal institutions of a single foreign legal system, supplemented by specialized study of international, public, and commercial law. The first year is spent at the Law School and centers around a seminar-size course in French or German law. The year of residence at the Law School will include intensive study of the foreign legal system, with the use of foreign legal materials and courses and seminars on the comparison of legal institutions, legal theory, social science research methodology, and international commercial relations. Relevant study of European institutions in other departments of the University may form a part of the student's work. The second year, to be spent in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, or France, will consist of studies at one of certain universities and of practical work in a law office or other legal employment continuing the study of the legal system begun at Chicago.

The Foreign Law Program is designed to train American lawyers in a field of law that is of increasing importance to American firms doing business abroad. The objective is to enable prospective lawyers and law teachers to better understand the thinking and methods of lawyers trained in the Civil Law. The Program provides a foundation for exploring ways in which different systems of law have been affected by their histories, institutions, social structures, and legal theories. The perspective provided by this training should contribute to a deeper understanding of American law itself.

Admission is open to graduates of approved American law schools presenting superior academic records and evidence of sufficient competence in a foreign language for the program of study. The degree of Master of Comparative Law is awarded to students who have satisfactorily completed the two years of work required in the curriculum of the program. Upon completion of the first year of the Foreign Law Program with distinction, students are eligible for admission to candidacy for the degree of Doctor of Comparative Law.

*Admission in the third year.*—Qualified law students in the J.D. program of the Law School are eligible to participate in the Foreign Law Program in their third year. Such a student will be permitted to take a total of twelve course hours of work in Civil Law upon approval of the remainder of his program by the Dean of Students. Satisfactory work in such a program will fulfil the prerequisites for the second year of study and practical work abroad. No additional degree will be awarded for the year abroad, but students who choose to spend an additional period of residence in the Law School following the year abroad may qualify for the degree of Master of Comparative Law or Doctor of Comparative Law.

## LAW AND ECONOMICS

Fellowships are available to enable established scholars or practitioners with relevant experience to pursue research on an approved topic in the area of Law and Economics, under the guidance of faculty members drawn from the Law School, the Department of Economics, and the Graduate School of Business. The fellowships are open to both economists and lawyers, and tenure is normally for one year. Fellowships are not normally awarded to candidates who have just received their Doctor's degree or have just been graduated from law school.

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

Fellowships are available to specially qualified graduates of American or foreign law schools with research interests in international, commercial, and financial problems to pursue a year devoted principally to research on a problem in this field under the guidance of designated faculty members. The aim of the program is to encourage the production of a publishable study in the field of International Trade and Development.

## CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY

The Center for Studies in Criminal Justice offers fellowships to law graduates whose research interests and skills can be advanced by their collaboration in the various research projects of the Center, and by their involvement in a two-year program of graduate training leading to a higher degree. The program places emphasis on research design and research methods in the broad fields of criminal justice and the prevention and treatment of crime. The Fellow is expected to devote half his working time to participation in a research or action program of the Center. The other half is devoted to classwork and supervised studies for the Master of Laws degree. Applicants with some training in sociology and psychology or in other disciplines which are particularly relevant to the field of criminal justice will be preferred.