

JURIS DOCTOR: ADVANCED STANDING (J.D.)

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Description

The Advanced Standing Juris Doctor (JD) Program at Franklin Pierce School of Law is designed for lawyers with law degrees from other countries, or LLM graduates, to complete a U.S., ABA-accredited JD degree. Students may transfer in up to 28-transfer qualifying credits for prior law study.

Students follow a rigorous course of study that prepares them for practice and the bar exam, including:

- Administrative Process
- Article II Sales
- Business Associations
- Civil Procedure
- Contracts*
- Constitutional Law
- Criminal Law
- Criminal Process
- Evidence
- Torts
- The Legal Profession*
- Legal Research and Information Literacy*
- Legal Writing I*
- Legal Writing II
- Professional Responsibility
- Property
- Upper Level Skills
- Upper Level Writing
- Wills, Trust & Estates
- A clinic or J.D. legal residence of no more than 4 credits

Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
LCR 905	Criminal Law	3
LGP 909	Civil Procedure	4
LGP 918	Constitutional Law I	3
LGP 900	The Legal Profession	1
LGP 920	Contracts	4
LGP 952	Property	4
LGP 960	Torts	3
LSK 921	Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research I	3
LSK 922	Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research II	3
Perspectives Course		
LPI 912 or LIP 944	Fundamentals of Law Practice Fundamentals of Intellectual Property	3
Upper Level Required Courses		
LGP 921	Constitutional Law II	3
LGP 951	Professional Responsibility	3
LBS 907	Business Associations I	3
LGP 924	Evidence	3

LBS 942	Wills Trusts and Estates	3
Upper Level Writing Requirement		2
Upper Level Experiential Learning Requirement		6
Transfer Credits		28
Elective Courses		3
Total Credits		85

Degree Plan

First Year

Fall		Credits
LGP 909	Civil Procedure	4
LGP 920	Contracts	4
LSK 921	Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research I	3
LGP 900	The Legal Profession	1
LGP 960	Torts	3
Credits		15

Spring

LGP 918	Constitutional Law I	3
LCR 905	Criminal Law	3
LPI 912 or LIP 944	Fundamentals of Law Practice Fundamentals of Intellectual Property	3
LSK 922	Legal Analysis, Writing, and Research II	3
LGP 952	Property	4
Credits		16

Second Year

Fall

LGP 921	Constitutional Law II	3
LGP 951	Professional Responsibility	3
LBS 907	Business Associations I	3
Elective Courses		4-8
Credits		13-17

Spring

LGP 924	Evidence	3
LBS 942	Wills Trusts and Estates	3
Elective Courses		7-11
Credits		13-17

Third Year

Fall

Advanced Standing Candidates are expected to transfer 28 credit hours into the program during matriculation		28
Credits		28
Total Credits		85-93

Student Learning Outcomes

- Legal analysis and reasoning: Graduates will be able to identify, comprehend, and apply the relevant substantive and procedural laws to solve a legal issue, informed by an understanding of the diversity of viewpoints on and contexts for any issue.
- Written and oral communication: Graduates will be able to present material effectively in these formats for both objective analytical and advocacy purposes across a range of settings, including in the courtroom.

- Professionalism: Graduates will be able to act in an ethical, respectful, and self-aware manner with all other stakeholders, including clients, employers, and the court.
- Legal research: Graduates will be able to navigate and assess relevant legal authorities using appropriate tools.
- Public service: Graduates will be able to contribute productively to strengthening the justice system, with a sensitivity toward the needs of people facing societal barriers.
- Problem solving: Graduates will be able to engage in focused and pragmatic collaboration toward goals.
- Client counseling and management: Graduates will be able to provide trustworthy and responsive action upon clients' matters.
- Factual investigation and analysis: Graduates will be able to implement a strategic plan for information-gathering, which includes the ability to iterate on the plan as needed, and evaluate the results of the information obtained.