

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LEGAL STUDIES

SCHOOL OF LEGAL STUDIES



ADVANCE YOUR CAREER WITH AN ADVANCED LEGAL DEGREE.

Kaplan University's online Master of Science in Legal Studies program is designed to provide you with comprehensive, in-depth legal knowledge beyond the undergraduate level, without the pressures of law school or studying for the bar exam. It offers the type of knowledge that could help you gain an edge in your current career, or start a new one in the legal, government, business, or health care sectors.¹ Plus, individuals with a master's degree consistently earn more than those with only a bachelor's degree.²

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PROFESSIONALS WITH LEGAL KNOWLEDGE ARE IN DEMAND.

The number of positions requiring legal expertise is growing across the country. Just about every aspect of an industry has some contact with legal issues, and the need for legal knowledge is no longer relegated to the legal department. A master's degree in legal studies from Kaplan University could uniquely qualify you for opportunities where knowledge of the law would be advantageous and may also increase your potential for a better salary.



IT'S YOUR TIME TO STAND OUT IN A VARIETY OF FIELDS.

The education and skills you are taught in the graduate legal studies program could help you make an impression on prospective employers—or help you become more valuable in your current position.¹

Graduates of the master's degree program may pursue work in any of the following environments:

- Nonprofit organizations and associations
- Membership groups
- Educational institutions
- Government and regulatory agencies
- Health care organizations
- Insurance companies
- Real estate

Positions you could attain with this degree include:

- Risk manager
- Human resources manager
- Compliance officer
- Environmental compliance inspector
- Senior management positions or administrative positions in a variety of industries
- Medical and health service management positions
- Positions in government regulatory agencies
- Postsecondary educator

POSSIBLE DAY-TO-DAY ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:¹

- Analyze companies and provide insight that could help propel growth
- Plan, direct, and supervise work activities of employees
- Examine permits, licenses, and records to ensure compliance with licensing requirements³
- Identify the educational needs of others, developing formal educational or training programs or classes, and teaching or instructing others⁴

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EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF AN ADVANCED LEGAL EDUCATION.

The Master of Science in Legal Studies program at Kaplan University is designed to help you take advantage of expanded career opportunities within the public and private sectors.¹ Our outcomes-oriented curriculum was developed by professionals experienced in law, social science, and education, and teaches knowledge beyond the undergraduate level—all without the high cost of law school or the pressure of the bar exam. We maintain small online class sizes so instructors can provide you with the academic support you need. Plus, many of our faculty members hold a PhD or LLM degree.

The program is cohort-based through the first year, allowing you to establish strong academic relationships with your classmates. You can choose from one of four intensive study areas to better tailor your education to your desired industry. Throughout the program, you will be challenged to solve real-world issues by applying legal principles in a case study format designed to develop strong complex problem solving skills.

The program is designed to help graduates gain the following knowledge, abilities, and experiences:

- Practical skills in dispute resolution, ethical decision making, legal terminology and writing, and use of the law library
- The opportunity to utilize a problem-based inquiry model of learning within the intensive study courses
- The ability to apply legal principles and concepts to solve real-world social, economic, political, and institutional problems within a professional context
- An in-depth understanding of the ethical and moral implications of the law and legal processes
- The opportunity to complete a practicum and an action research project. Students demonstrate their ability to apply the knowledge and skills acquired in their online coursework to a real-world legal scenario.

Program Detail

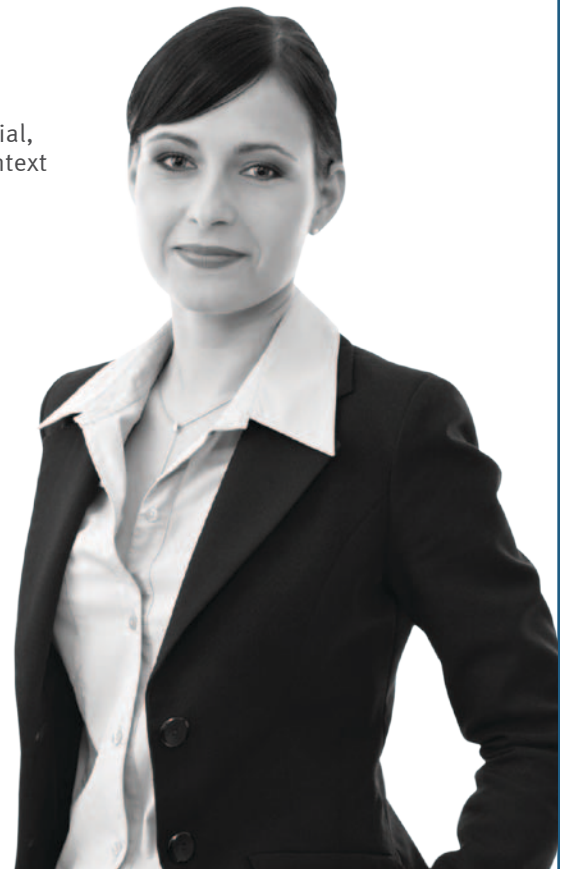
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- Credit Hours: 55

Intensive Study Areas:

- Health Care Delivery
- State and Local Government
- Legal System and the Media
- Education and the Legal System

Students with broad interests can choose to take courses from multiple study areas.



HERE IS WHAT ONE FACULTY MEMBER HAD TO SAY

John P. Gray, LLM (Taxation), JD, MBA, MA in Religion⁵

- Kaplan University Professor, Master of Science in Legal Studies
- Attorney at Law (licensed in Alabama and Washington, DC, and to practice before the U.S. Tax Court)

“The Kaplan University Master of Science in Legal Studies program could help you to refine your writing skills, increase your employment potential, be intellectually challenged, and understand how to make use of social policy to bring about positive change in your world. Since the Master of Science in Legal Studies program is online, you will learn from faculty and students who are in many different locations and who have wide-ranging academic and career backgrounds to share. If you want to make the world a better place, while making your life better too, the Kaplan University Master of Science in Legal Studies could be for you.”

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At Kaplan University, we are committed to your education, your goals—you. And, as part of our pledge to help you succeed, we're announcing a whole new way to try a Kaplan University degree program for yourself with no tuition obligation.

It's simple. You'll attend real classes for real credits. After an introductory period, if you decide we're right for you, and you meet our academic standards and other requirements, you'll continue on. If not, your obligation ends there. There's no tuition cost or other financial obligation, except for the \$45 application fee.⁶

WHY KAPLAN UNIVERSITY?

Our programs are designed to offer you the freedom to grow and pursue your goals. We offer:

- Online classes that allow you to study virtually anytime, anywhere you have an Internet connection.
- Personal Advisors to help you select the courses to meet your goals.
- Reduced tuition rates for active-duty service members and veterans.
- Scholarships for eligible Kaplan University students.

Other Programs

In addition to this program, Kaplan University also offers:

- › Juris Doctor Program—Concord Law School
- › Executive Juris DoctorSM Program—Concord Law School

Note From Dean

Programs in legal and paralegal studies prepare you for exciting and demanding careers in the fast-moving areas of today's legal environment. You will not just learn the skills needed for success but will practice skills by applying them to real situations and problems that legal professionals encounter on a daily basis. The curriculum is designed to actively engage you in dynamic discussions with your instructors and classmates and to teach you to think critically, solve problems, and collaborate with colleagues.



Karen Evans, PhD
Interim Dean, School of Legal Studies



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION—PLEASE READ

¹ Kaplan University's programs are designed to prepare graduates to pursue employment in fields related to their subjects of study, such as the positions provided as examples. However, Kaplan University does not guarantee that graduates will be placed in any job, equipped to perform all the tasks noted, or eligible for job advancement opportunities. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization. Graduates are not authorized to practice law and will not be eligible to sit for any state's bar examination.

² Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Current Population Survey, on the Internet at www.bls.gov/emp/emptab7.htm.

³ Source: O*Net OnLine, Summary Report for Environmental Compliance Inspectors, on the Internet at online.onetcenter.org/link/summary/13-1041.01.

⁴ Source: O*Net OnLine, Summary Report for Law Teachers, Postsecondary, online.onetcenter.org/link/summary/25-1112.00.

⁵ Views and opinions stated herein are the individual's and not necessarily those of Kaplan University. This testimonial was solicited by Kaplan University.

⁶ Classes will count toward a student's degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period. The introductory period is five weeks, and begins on day one of the student's first academic term. If at any point during the introductory period a student chooses to opt out, he or she will have no other obligation to the University except for the application fee. Only available to new students; continuing students are not eligible.