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Pitt Law's Online Corporate Compliance Certificate helps students advance or begin their careers in the compliance space in business across a variety of industries and the skills to integrate compliance into an organization's business operations. The curriculum focuses on key foundational topics in corporate compliance and will enhance students' ability to understand the fundamentals, including how to design and maintain a compliance program, as well as related policies and procedures. Students will also learn the criteria to evaluate the effectiveness of ethics and compliance programs and to conduct audits and internal investigations.

Program Structure

- 15 credits
- 100% online
- Can be completed in 10 months

Program Benefits

- Learn on your schedule with asynchronous classes
- Complete the program in 10 months
- Learn from experienced, working legal experts who teach and practice corporate compliance
- Gain access to a valued and diverse network of colleagues and mentors within the Pitt Law and broader Pitt communities
- Build concentrated expertise to work more knowledgeably with lawyers and gain increased regulatory and legal awareness

Admissions Requirements

- Completed application form
- Bachelor's degree
- Resume
- Personal statement
- Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
- TOEFL, IELTS or Duolingo examinations of English competency within the past two years is required for international students (unless student already holds a U.S. bachelor's or master's degree)
- $38 application fee

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The Curriculum

Each course in the Corporate Compliance Certificate program is three credits, totaling 15 credits.

- Introduction to Corporate Compliance (3 credits)

  This course will provide an introduction to corporate compliance programs for U.S. and foreign lawyers as well non-lawyers. It will review the basics of a compliance program and how to approach corporate compliance.

- Ethics and Compliance Programs (3 credits)

  This session will review the elements of an ethics and compliance program.

- Designing, Measuring Effectiveness, and Auditing Compliance Programs (3 credits)

  This course will introduce students on how to design, measure and effectively audit compliance programs based on the Department of Justice Sentencing Guidelines.

- Conducting Investigations and Risk Assessments (3 credits)

  This course will review how to conduct investigations and risk assessments. Students will learn how to conduct an internal investigation.

- Special Topics in Compliance Seminar (3 credits)

MSL Online Combined Programs

Students who successfully complete the Pitt Law Corporate Compliance Certificate may apply the 15 credits earned in the online program to the Master of Studies in Law (MSL) degree. This option allows students to earn both the certificate and the MSL in 30 credit hours. Students who decide to pursue the full master's program and complete a certificate program with a 3.0 GPA will be considered for admission.

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