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Program Benefits

- Learn on your schedule with asynchronous classes
- 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 legal and policy requirements.

Admissions Requirements

- $38 application fee
- 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)

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The Curriculum

The Online MSL program consists of 13 courses, totaling 30 credits: 15 credits making up the core MSL curriculum over eight courses, and 15 credits in the Sports, Entertainment, and Arts Law specialization, which consists of five courses.

Online MSL core courses:

- American Legal System (3 credits)
- Contracts (2 credits)
- Torts (2 credits)
- Property (2 credits)
- Constitutional Law I (1 credit)
- Constitutional Law II (1 credit)
- Criminal Law (2 credits)
- Legislation and Regulation (2 credits)

SEAL specialization courses:

- Introduction to the Law and Business of Sports, Entertainment, and Arts (3 Credits)
- Labor & Employment Law in Sports, Entertainment, and Arts (3 Credits)
- Intellectual Property in Sports, Entertainment, and Arts (3 Credits)
- Organization, Finance & Distribution Law in Sports, Entertainment, and Arts (3 Credits)
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