



# JD-MBA Program

**JD-MBA** A fully integrated dual-degree program for students of business and the law

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

 Northwestern Law

 **Kellogg**  
School of Management

## Why a JD-MBA?

**The juris doctor and the master of business administration are powerful academic credentials. Both degrees indicate a broad area of expertise and the will to succeed in their respective fields.**

As the world's economy grows ever more connected, businesses and organizations face greater and more numerous challenges that involve management and the law. For MBA candidates who understand the value of a legal expertise to any organization and for law students who seek a solid foundation in management, Northwestern University developed the nation's first JD-MBA program.

In just three years — rather than the five it would take to complete each degree separately — JD-MBA students earn a JD from Northwestern Law and an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management, both top-tier programs.

As a Northwestern JD-MBA student, you will attend two of the world's finest graduate institutions. Our celebrated faculty will challenge you, and our curriculum will give you the practical and analytical skills you need to excel in business and the law.



"I chose Northwestern's JD-MBA program because of the outstanding academic and extracurricular opportunities at Northwestern Law and at Kellogg, and the JD-MBA community that provided support, camaraderie, and mentorship as I navigated my way through the accelerated program."

**HAYLEY SMITH**  
JD-MBA CLASS OF 2010

## Curriculum and culture.

**Be they academic, social or professional, every aspect of Northwestern's JD-MBA Program is completely integrated.**

A strong core curriculum is supported by elective coursework in entrepreneurship, finance, real estate and tax law, and other disciplines. Students spend the first year, including the summer, at the School of Law on the Chicago campus and the second year at the Kellogg School in Evanston. During their second summer, students do an internship in law or business. In the third year — back in Chicago, at the Law School — some students opt to take additional electives at Kellogg.

### SMALL CLASS SIZES

Small class sizes at both Kellogg and the Law School ensure that you will receive individual attention from faculty and have ample opportunities to learn from your classmates in both schools.

### HANDS-ON LEARNING

JD-MBA students put their classroom knowledge to the test. Each year, the program offers experiential learning opportunities with local partners. A notable example is the work our students do with the Small Business Opportunity Center, where they provide legal and strategic advice to small businesses throughout the Chicago area.

### EXPANDED NETWORK

Attending both Kellogg and the Law School means you create a broader network of contacts and friends. It also offers you access to two of the country's most prestigious alumni communities.

Because you spend your first year at the Law School and your second year at Kellogg, you graduate with your first-year classmates from both schools.

### STRONG SENSE OF FELLOWSHIP

Students can take an active role in shaping the program through the JD-MBA Association, which serves as a liaison to faculty and administrators at both schools. The association also organizes professional and social events to enhance a sense of community among classmates.

### CHICAGO

As the country's second largest financial center, Chicago is home to some of the world's largest law firms, businesses, banks, and consulting and financial-services firms. The city is also a transportation hub and a beacon of art, architecture, science, medicine and higher education.

**Careers in:** law, government, investment banking, consulting, venture capital, private equity

## Careers.

**Earning degrees from Northwestern Law and Kellogg takes creativity, critical thinking and hard work. Employers know this better than anyone.**

JD-MBA students come into the program with several years of full-time work experience and well-defined career plans that incorporate both degrees.

As a JD-MBA student, you will have full access to all services from the career management offices at Kellogg and the Law School for both summer internships and full-time positions.

## Apply.

**The Northwestern JD-MBA Program has a single, integrated online application.**

First-year Northwestern Law students can apply for admission to the JD-MBA program. First-year Kellogg students are ineligible for admission.

In addition to submitting the data forms and recommendations, all applicants must take the GMAT and complete an interview with a member of the Kellogg admissions staff or an alumni interviewer. The LSAT is not required for admission to the JD-MBA program. Both the Kellogg and Law School admissions offices review the application.

For more information about the JD-MBA Program, please contact:

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Northwestern Law Office of Admissions  
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# 54%

of graduating students in the JD-MBA classes of 2007 through 2010 secured positions as law firm associates, judicial clerks, government and corporate in-house attorneys.

# 46%

secured initial positions in businesses — typically investment banks, consulting firms, venture capital and private equity.

### Northwestern JD-MBA alumni are:

- Law firm associates
- Private practice attorneys
- Partners in law firms and businesses
- General counsel
- Corporate vice presidents
- Presidents
- Chief executive officers
- Chairmen
- Founders
- Owners
- Managing partners
- Vice presidents
- Chief financial officers
- Chief information officers
- Chief operating officers
- Unit directors
- Consultants

"I was a lead engineer and an engineering manager, but I found that lack of further education was going to be a limitation. As part of a high-tech R&D startup, I became increasingly interested in intellectual property — specifically patents — and how to protect that property. The more I learned about patent law, the more convinced I became that I wanted to be a patent lawyer. I'm certainly still interested in the business side, and I see myself in a C-suite position in the long term. In the short term, my MBA education will help me when I'm working with my clients."

**CARL P. EVANS III**  
JD-MBA CLASS OF 2011

"My most valuable out-of-classroom experience was working on a technology startup at Kellogg with another JD-MBA student. Although we worked on it during our own time, it was a unique opportunity to synthesize what we were learning at both schools to create an award-winning business plan and the legal framework to protect and grow the company and its assets. Kellogg provided us with the opportunity to compete on a regional and national scale with other business schools to win prize money and visibility for our new startup, and it provided the faculty experience and non-monetary resources required to take our idea from a paper plan to a working prototype — and eventually to market."

**DHEERAJ SULTANIAN**  
JD-MBA CLASS OF 2011



## Kellogg School of Management

Kellogg is one of the top graduate business schools in the nation. The faculty is internationally acclaimed in research and teaching, and the students hail from every corner of the globe. Kellogg's dedication to academic excellence, commitment to bettering organizations around the world and lively culture of collaboration have all fueled its ascent to the top echelon of management schools.

The school enrolls about 600 new Full-Time MBA students each year. Its full-time day program is conducted in the heart of Northwestern's Evanston campus at the Donald P. Jacobs Center.

## Northwestern Law

Northwestern Law ranks among the best law schools in the nation. The school is home to renowned legal scholars who shape leading academic and public-policy debates. With an emphasis on teamwork, communication and cross-training in business, the curriculum keeps pace with an increasingly complex and competitive profession.

Law School classes are held in Northwestern's lakefront complex in downtown Chicago. The school annually enrolls approximately 270 students. The student-to-faculty ratio — one of the lowest in the country — is nine to one.

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