

### How To Apply

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### Credit Transfer Policies

- Official transcripts must be mailed directly from the educational institution to Friends University.
- Transcripts stamped “issued to student” cannot be accepted as Admissions and Records.
- Please have transcripts sent to:  
Admissions Processing  
Friends University  
2100 W. University Ave.  
Wichita, KS 67213

### Technical Requirements

#### PC Minimum Recommendations

- Current version of Microsoft Windows operating system
- Current version of Microsoft Office
- Antivirus Protection (McAfee Antivirus available free to students)
- High-speed Internet access
- Active e-mail account (available free to students)

#### MAC Minimum Recommendations

- Current version of MAC operating system
- Current version of Microsoft Office for MAC
- High-speed Internet access
- Active e-mail address (available free to students)

\* Academic programs may have specific technology requirements that exceed these listed above.

### Program Overview

The Master of Business Law (MBL) degree is designed to prepare students to identify and address legal and ethical issues in the business environment. Students in the MBL program will develop skills in analytical reasoning and substantive legal knowledge typically available only to students who undertake a three-year juris doctor program. The program also develops skills in decision making, dispute resolution and ethics. MBL students closely examine the legal and ethical risks inherent in a business environment and a significant federal regulatory scheme through a final research project.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The MBL program provides students an exceptional opportunity to acquire valuable knowledge and skills for application in business settings. However, the MBL program does not provide students or graduates with any of the credentials required to take a bar examination or practice law.

### Admissions Requirements

In addition to the requirements stated under the Graduate Admissions Policy of the University Catalog, the requirements for admission to the Master of Business Law are as follows:

- A signed, completed application and a **\$45** application fee (\$65 international fee).
- Signed Transcript Request form for official transcript from the institution granting bachelor’s degree.
- A baccalaureate degree with a GPA of 2.75 or higher from an accredited institution.
- Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a business or professional supervisor or associate.
- Completion of program interview process.
- Written approval of admission by the program director after review of the admission requirements.

### Modes of Delivery

- One night a week
- Cohort model

### Hours/Length

- 36 credit hours
- 24 months

### About the Program Director



#### **Dr. Dixie Madden**

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### Graduate School

Over the past 20 years, the Friends University Graduate School has offered academic programs designed to prepare students for professional career opportunities. Starting with quality faculty who have extensive industry experience in their discipline, and relevant curriculum; students receive the most up-to-date and practical educational experience available.

## COURSE LISTINGS

### **BLAW 510 Foundations of Legal Study**

Provides an overview of our legal system, including common law, state and federal court systems, and state and federal statutory and regulatory law. Introduces the skills of legal analysis and legal reasoning through the study of court decisions and laws and related written assignments.

*3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 520 Legal Research and Writing**

Develops skills in legal analysis, legal writing, and legal research through class assignments utilizing various resources in the library and on-line, including cases, statutes, administrative regulations, legislative histories, digests, and legal encyclopedias, including specialized legal data bases.

*3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 530 Contracts**

Provides an overview of the law of contracts from the common law through statutory developments such as the Uniform Commercial Code and the Restatement of Contracts. Focuses on contract formation, drafting terms and conditions, contract interpretation and contract enforcement under Kansas law. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 540 Torts and Insurance Law**

Provides an overview of the broad area of civil wrongs which flow from legally imposed duties under Kansas law. Focuses on the practical application of tort and insurance law to issues in the business environment, including negligence, intentional torts, strict liability, and products liability.

*3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 550 Property**

Provides an overview of the law of real and personal property. Focuses on the practical application of property law to issues in the business environment, including real estate transactions, leases, mortgages, patents, trademarks and copyrights. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 560 Current Legal Topics**

Provides an overview of current legal topics relevant to a global economy. Topics covered may include economics, antitrust, intellectual property, immigration law, and international law. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 610 Corporations and LLC's**

Provides an overview of the statutory and common law governing corporations and limited liability companies and related securities laws. Focuses on the formation and operation of these entities and the legal duties and liabilities of their owners and managers under Kansas law.

*3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 620 Agency and Partnerships**

Provides an overview of unincorporated business associations and their operational differences under Kansas law, including agency relationships, general partnerships, limited partnerships. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 630 Employment Law**

Provides an overview of the legal relationship of employers and employees under Kansas and federal laws, addressing topics such as employment-at-will, wrongful discharge, employment discrimination, wage and hour laws, health and safety laws, and privacy rights. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 640 Business/Legal Ethics**

Provides an overview of the history and nature of ethics and ethical decision-making in the business environment. Focuses on ethical guidelines, codes of conduct, compliance plans, and related enforcement issues. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 650 Dispute Resolution**

Provides an overview of methods to address disputes in the business environment, including negotiations, mediation, arbitration, and court actions. Focuses on negotiation and mediation skills. *3 credit hours*

### **BLAW 660 Master's Research Project**

Provides an opportunity for students to apply skills and knowledge gained in the program through the preparation of a final research project that identifies and analyzes legal and ethical risk inherent in a business environment and a significant federal regulatory scheme. Research topics must be approved by the program director or the course professor.

*3 credit hours*