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PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW
Master of Science in Law

# Sample MSL Curriculum

## Required Courses

- **Business Formation & Structure**
- **Business Torts**
- **Contract Law**
- **Effective Professional Communication**
- **Ethics (choice of related courses)**
- **Intellectual Property Fundamentals**
- **Legal & Regulatory Process**
- **Research in Law, Business, & Technology**

## Electives

### Business Law & Entrepreneurship

- ●▲ Accounting & Financial Statements
- ●▲ Advanced Contracts
- ▲ AI and Legal Reasoning
- ● Assessing AI & Computational Technologies
- ● Business & Corporate Strategy in Action
- ●▲ Business Combinations
- ▲ Business Strategy & Frameworks
- ▲ Cases in New Venture Strategies
- ● Change Management and Corporate Compliance
- ▲ Contract Drafting
- ●▲ Employment Law
- ● Entrepreneurial Finance & Venture Capital
- ▲ Entrepreneurship Lab: I & II
- ●▲ Entrepreneurship Law
- ● Ethics, Whistleblowing, & Corporate Compliance
- ▲ The Evolution of AI: Practical, Ethical & Legal Issues
- ● Federal Income Taxation
- ▲ Global Product Development
- ▲ Innovation Lab
- ▲ Legal Operations
- ▲ Marketing Analytics
- ● Product Management: Building & Scaling Intelligent Products
- ▲ Responsible Data and AI in Business
- ● Securities Regulation

### Intellectual Property

- ● International & Comparative IP
- ▲ Introduction to IP Licensing
- ● IP Licensing: Contracts and Strategies
- ● IP Strategy & Management
- ● IP Valuation
- ▲ Music, Copyright and Technology
- ●▲ Patent Law
- ●▲ Patent Preparation & Prosecution Workshop: I & II
- ●▲ Patenting Software Inventions

### Skills-Building Courses

- ▲ Negotiating with Stoic Empathy
- ▲ Negotiation Skills & Strategies
- ▲ Presentation Design & Visual Storytelling
- ● Project Management in Regulated Environments
- ▲ Public Persuasion Skills & Strategies
- ●▲ Quantitative Reasoning in the Law
- ● Strategic Decision Analysis

### Regulatory Analysis & Strategy

- ● Along the Regulatory Frontier: New Issues & Emerging Technologies
- ▲ Clinical Trials Regulation & Conduct
- ▲ Data in Society
- ●▲ Data Security Regulation: Data Breaches & Beyond
- ● Drug Development: From Discovery to Market
- ▲ Dynamics of the Cannabis Industry
- ●▲ Emerging Issues in Biotech & Food
- ● Energy and Climate Change Law & Policy
- ▲ Environmental Law
- ▲ Export Controls & Research Security
- ▲ Fintech Law & Regulation
- ▲ Forensic Science
- ● Global Transactions & Compliance
- ▲ Health, Environment, and Human Rights
- ●▲ Health Law
- ● Human Research Protections & Regulatory Compliance
- ▲ Information Technology: Telecom, the Internet, and Platform Regulation
- ▲ Legal and Policy Issues in College Athletics
- ▲ Medical Devices: Regulation & Compliance
- ▲ Medical Ethics and the Law
- ▲ Medical Malpractice
- ● Privacy in Practice
- ●▲ Privacy Law & Regulation
- ● RegTech: Transforming the Interaction of Regulators, Regulated Enterprises, and Markets
- ▲ Regulatory Compliance for Consumer Packaged Goods
- ● Regulatory Policy
- ●▲ Regulatory Strategy & Communication
- ▲ Space Law
- ● Technology Standards
- ▲ Transforming Healthcare: Digital Health and AI
- ● U.S. Regulation: Design, Implementation & Enforcement

▲ Residential course offering
● Online course offering

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# Upcoming Informational Events

## Information Sessions

The MSL program hosts monthly information sessions to allow prospective students to learn more about the program, interact with current MSL students and staff, dig into the curriculum, and get their questions answered. Information sessions take place from 5:30-6:45 p.m. Central Time.

**Register online or scan this code:**

- September 16
- October 14
- November 11: Focus on Healthcare
- December 9
- January 13
- February 17

## Personal Admissions Consultation

Book a Zoom appointment with the Admissions Director to discuss the MSL.

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# Application Timelines

Applications are reviewed monthly beginning in September.

## Spring 2027 Online formats (classes begin January 11)

- Final deadline: **November 1**

## Fall 2027 Residential & Online formats (classes begin August 23)

- Final deadline for international applicants: **April 1**
- Final deadline for domestic applicants: **June 1**