



**ROBERT H. MCKINNEY
SCHOOL OF LAW**

INDIANA UNIVERSITY
Indianapolis

**Application for Master of Jurisprudence
(M.J.) Students Matriculating in 2021**

Eligibility: M.J. degree applicants must hold a bachelor's degree from a U.S. institution of higher learning, or an equivalent academic degree from an educational institution outside the United States. Holders of a J.D. or other law degree are ineligible for this degree.

Enrollment Status:

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Full-Time (12 months)

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Part-Time (2-4 years) [U.S. Citizens and Permanent Residents only]

1. Name Last _____ First _____ Maiden (if applicable) _____
2. Mailing Address (Please notify us if your address changes in the future)
Number and Street (No post office boxes) _____
City and State/Province _____, Country _____ Postal Code _____
3. E-mail Address _____ Secondary E-mail _____
4. Telephone Number _____ Accept Text Messages? ☐ Yes ☐ No Secondary Number _____
5. Do you use a messaging system? Skype-username: _____ Zoom-e-mail: _____ Other: _____
6. Gender ☐ Male ☐ Female Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) _____
7. Country/Countries of Citizenship _____ Native Language _____
8. If a United States Citizen, State of Legal Residence _____
9. If you are not a U.S. Citizen and are presently in the United States, what is your immigration status?
Please (1) check the correct box, and (2) attach photocopies of your visa documents (including your green card if applicable).
☐ F-1 ☐ J-1 ☐ B-2 ☐ Permanent Resident ☐ Refugee ☐ Political Asylee ☐ Other _____
10. If not a U.S. Citizen, Place of Birth (City and State/Province) _____ (Country) _____
11. Highest/most recent educational institution from which you received or are pursuing your undergraduate or graduate degree
Name of Institution _____
Address (City, State/Province, and Country) of Institution _____
Dates of Attendance _____ Name of Degree _____
(☐ Earned ☐ Expected) Date _____ G.P.A. _____ Academic Class Rank/Honors _____
Other Educational Institution from which you received or are pursuing your undergraduate or graduate degree
Name of Institution _____
Address (City, State/Province, and Country) of Institution _____
Dates of Attendance _____ Name of Degree _____ Field of Study _____
(☐ Earned ☐ Expected) Date _____ G.P.A. _____ Academic Class Rank/Honors _____
(Please include all institutions of higher education that you have attended, and use additional sheets if necessary)
12. English proficiency for applicants whose native language is not English (English language requirement: completion of Level 7 at the IUPUI PIE program or Level II2 at an ELS center in the US, minimum TOEFL of 81, or IELTS score of 6.5 taken within the last two years):
Have you taken the TOEFL or IELTS exam? ☐ Yes ☐ No Score: _____ Date of Test: _____ Future Test Date: _____

13. Employment:

Name of Current Employer	Dates of Employment
Job Title	Nature of Work

Please attach a current Resume or Curriculum Vitae that includes the following information:

- Education (all colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools attended, including dates of attendance, degree expected or earned, year degree awarded, major field of study, estimated class rank, if known, and grade point average/scale)
- Honors (including scholarships, fellowships, prizes, and honor societies)
- Employment (including dates of employment, full-time and summer positions, and internships)
- Duty with the armed forces of any nation (including whether full-time or part-time, date of entrance, date or expected date of separation, and type of discharge received)
- Extracurricular activities (briefly describe the activity)

14. **References:** Please provide the names of the two references **submitting letters attesting to your academic ability or potential academic ability and accomplishments**. Letters must be submitted separately to the M.J. Admissions Office; they may be submitted electronically to mjlaw@iu.edu or they may be mailed in a sealed envelope with the reference’s signature across the seal to the M.J. Admissions Office at the address found at the end of this application.

1.	Name	Title	Organization/Institution
2.	Name	Title	Organization/Institution

15. **Personal Statement:** Please attach your personal statement (2 pages typed). Your personal statement is an important step in the application process. We are particularly interested in your qualifications and motivations for choosing to enter the M.J. program, and we are especially interested in knowing how you hope to use the knowledge you gain from this program in your profession. You may also use this statement to ask the M.J. Admissions Committee to consider your achievements and qualities not otherwise revealed in your application or resume. You may also explain or emphasize the committee a particular part of your record or application.

16. **Graduate Entrance Exams:** Standardized test scores are not required for admission. However, if you have taken or plan to take the LSAT, GRE, GMAT, or MCAT within the last five years of this application, you must submit your scores. Please indicate below which test results you will be submitting, including the name of the exam and the date taken (mm/yy).

Standardized Test:	Score Received:	Date Taken:
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17. **Areas of Interest:** Please indicate below your broad areas of interest in pursuing the M.J. degree. Mark all that apply. If you have no particular area of interest or one that is not on this list, please mark “Self-Designed” and explain.

<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Energy & Natural Resources Law	<input type="checkbox"/> International & Comparative Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate & Commercial Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Human & Civil Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory & Compliance Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Education Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Work
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment & Labor Law	<input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property Law	<input type="checkbox"/> State & Local Government Law
<input type="checkbox"/> Self-Designed (please explain, using additional sheets if necessary):		

18. Please select one or more of the following categories to describe yourself (optional):

<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Race and Ethnicity Unknown
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> White
<input type="checkbox"/> Black or African-American	<input type="checkbox"/> Nonresident Alien	

19. Are you, or have you ever been, the subject of any disciplinary proceedings, academic probation, expulsions, warnings, sanctions, or suspensions from any law school, college, university, or other post-high school educational program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer above is "yes," please submit a supplemental statement that sets forth the relevant dates and details.

20. Are you or have you ever been the subject of any disciplinary proceedings, suspensions, expulsions, or warnings by any professional organizations, or have you ever been denied a license to practice law? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer above is "yes," please submit a supplemental statement that sets forth the relevant dates and details.

21. Have you ever been arrested for, charged with, or convicted of, a criminal offense? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer above is "yes," please submit a supplemental statement that sets forth the relevant dates and details.

22. Have you ever been discharged or asked to resign from any employment for reasons reflecting on your character, honesty, and/or integrity? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer above is "yes," please submit a supplemental statement that sets forth the relevant dates and details.

23. Are you requesting a scholarship from the law school? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Scholarships are awarded for demonstrated financial need, superior academic performance, or a combination of the two. All students are eligible, and the scholarships are provided in the form of tuition remissions prorated over thirty credit hours. Scholarship decisions are made at the time of admission and will not be considered after admission if this section has not been completed. Student loan assistance is only available to United States citizens and permanent residents.

If you are applying for a scholarship, based on either merit or financial need, or both, you must provide detailed information supporting this request along with documentation, including your: (1) annual net salary; (2) personal savings; (3) family resources available to you; (4) eligibility for sponsorships or other financial support from your employer or government. If applying based on merit, include any additional information not already provided, if applicable.

24. How did you learn about our M.J. Program? _____

25. I hereby apply for admission to the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. I certify that the information I have provided is true and complete; I understand that any intentional or inadvertent misstatements or omissions may result in the rescindment of my admission, dismissal from law school, and/or revocation of my Master of Jurisprudence degree. It is further understood that I also accept the continuing obligation to maintain the accuracy of these statements and will advise the Director of the M.J. program of any changes immediately and in writing, including changes that occur after my admission to the law school and during my enrollment as a student in the law school. I also attest that I am the author of the statements or additional information included with this application. By signing, I acknowledge and agree that I have read and understood this agreement and hereby expressly agree with, accept and consent to, its terms and conditions and will comply with all applicable laws and regulations. I acknowledge the above statement.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law maintains a commitment to an educational and work environment that embraces diverse students, faculty, staff, and visitors on the basis of, for example, race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, and disability. Our students and employees pursue their responsibilities, duties, and goals in a supportive environment. A diversity of views, cultures, and experiences support our academic mission. The law school is dedicated to diversifying the profession by fostering active and successful members of the legal profession through student admissions, and faculty and staff hiring, while implementing and maintaining fair academic rules and standards.

Please submit your application electronically to mjlaw@iu.edu

or by mail to:
Miki Hamstra
Assistant Dean of Graduate Programs
IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law
530 West New York Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202



M.J. Program Application Checklist of Documents: Your application will be evaluated when all completed forms and supporting documents have been received. For any questions regarding the admissions process, please contact the Graduate Programs Office at mjlaw@iu.edu. If you are sending files over e-mail, they will only be accepted as PDF documents, we will not accept documents in any other format.

Submit this application and all documentation to:

Graduate Admissions – M.J. Program
Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law
Lawrence W. Inlow Hall
530 West New York Street, 357A
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202 USA

U.S. Citizens with no international educational credentials:

- ☐ Completed and signed application
- ☐ Personal Statement
- ☐ Resume or Curriculum vitae
- ☐ Official transcript(s) for all institutions of higher education attended, stamped and sealed by issuing institution(s)
Applicants may also be required to submit copies of diplomas
Unofficial Transcripts are acceptable for application purposes, but official transcripts will be required only of applicants who are offered admission.
- ☐ Two letters of reference. Professional or academic references, preferably one from a current instructor or supervisor written on official letterhead, each in a sealed envelope with the reference writer's signature across the sealed envelope - the official notarized English translation of any reference letter must be accompanied by the original reference letter in its native language. *Reference letters that are not appropriately signed and sealed are not acceptable*
- ☐ If you have taken a standardized test in the last 5 years, you are to report the score in the application. The Admission Committee reserves the right to request an official test score.

U.S. Citizens and U.S. Permanent Residents with international educational credentials:

- ☐ Completed and signed application
- ☐ Personal Statement
- ☐ Resume or Curriculum vitae
- ☐ Official transcript(s) for all institutions of higher education attended, stamped and sealed by issuing institution(s)
If the issuing university does not issue transcripts, diplomas, and graduation certificates in English, these native language documents from the university AND a certified translation from the university must be submitted
Applicants are also required to submit copies of diplomas and graduation certificates
Unofficial transcripts are acceptable for application purposes, but official transcripts will be required only of applicants who are offered admission.
- ☐ Two letters of reference. Professional or academic references, preferably one from a current instructor or supervisor written on official letterhead, each in a sealed envelope with the reference writer's signature across the sealed envelope - the official notarized English translation of any reference letter must be accompanied by the original reference letter in its native language
Reference letters that are not appropriately signed and sealed are not acceptable
- ☐ If you have taken a standardized test in the last 5 years, you are to report the score in the application. The Admission Committee reserves the right to request an official test score.
- ☐ Proof of English proficiency if English is not your native language: official TOEFL or IELTS score report submitted to institution 1325, dept. 03, or transcript/certificate of completion for IUPUI's Program for Intensive English (Level 7) or ELS Masters Level 112, Intensive English course.

International Applicants:

- ☐ Completed and signed application
- ☐ Personal Statement
- ☐ Resume or Curriculum vitae
- ☐ Official transcript(s) for all institutions of higher education attended, stamped and sealed by the issuing institution(s) If the issuing university does not issue transcripts, diplomas, and graduation certificates in English, these native language documents from the university AND a certified translation from the university must be submitted
Applicants are also required to submit copies of diplomas and graduation certificates
- ☐ Two letters of reference. Professional or academic references, preferably one from a current instructor or supervisor written on official letterhead, each in a sealed envelope with the reference writer's signature across the sealed envelope - the official notarized English translation of any reference letter must be accompanied by the original reference letter in its native language
Reference letters that are not appropriately signed and sealed are not acceptable
- ☐ If you have taken a standardized test in the last 5 years, you are to report the score in the application. The Admission Committee reserves the right to request an official test score.
- ☐ Proof of English proficiency if English is not your native language: official TOEFL or IELTS score report submitted to institution 1325, dept. 03, or transcript/certificate of completion IUPUI's Program for Intensive English (Level 7) or ELS Masters Level 112, Intensive English course.