Lewis & Clark Law School

Portland, Oregon







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The Part-Time Program

The Part-time Program at Lewis & Clark Law School allows students to spread their course load and expenses over four years, rather than the traditional three years in a full-time program.

Admission criteria, faculty, and academic opportunities are the same in the part-time program as they are in the full-time program. Full-time faculty teach all first-year courses as well as the core upper-division courses. The major distinction between the programs is in the number of credit hours one carries in a semester. This chart outlines the main differences between the divisions in the first year.

	Full-time	Part-time
Number of credits/semester	16 lower division*	9-12 lower division*
	13-15 upper division	8-11 upper division
Number of courses/semester	4-5	3-4
Number of years to graduate	2.5 to 3	3.5 to 4
Time of day	Daytime in 1 st year	Evening in 1 st year
		Classes start at 5:30 pm

*This includes a two-credit two-week intensive Legal Methods course that first year students take at the very beginning of school before all other classes commence.

About 20 percent of students at Lewis & Clark Law School opt for the part-time program for one reason or another. Most students attending part-time are working full-time, some have families, and others prefer to go through law school at a slower pace.

Part-time students in the first year take classes in the evening (classes are typically held between 5:30 pm to 8:00 or 8:30 pm). After lower-division curriculum is completed, students have great flexibility in choice of courses. Students may easily transfer between the full-time and part-time divisions and may enroll in courses offered either in the day or evening. Students may also use the summer school program to accelerate progress toward graduation. Some summer classes are offered in the evening so that students can maintain or obtain full-time employment.

Lewis & Clark Law School's part-time program has been a vital part of the school since the law school was established over a century ago. We are committed to providing a quality, flexible, and realistic means for people wishing to obtain their law degrees who also have other life demands that cannot be sacrificed.

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