

PHARM D / MSL COORDINATED DEGREE INFORMATION FOR SUMMER 2020 COHORT

Overview

- The Master of Studies in Law (MSL) degree, with a concentration in Health Law and Compliance, is offered by the Cumberland School of Law (CSL) at Samford University.
- The MSL is accredited by the Compliance Certification Board (CCB)[®]. Graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for any of the following credentialing exams offered by the Compliance Certification Board: Healthcare Compliance (CHC)[™], Healthcare Research Compliance (CHRC)[®], Healthcare Privacy Compliance (CHPC)[®] Compliance and Ethics Professional (CCEP)[®].
- Up to 13 credit hours of MSL course work can be fulfilled by PHRX coursework.
- Students do not need to have a BS degree prior to admission to this program but a BS degree is required before completing the MSL program.
- P1 students cannot take any MSL courses during P1 fall or spring semesters.
- Students need a PHRX cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 to apply; GRE / GMAT are not required.
- Students can submit an application to be admitted to this program up to April 1, 2020.
- Additional information regarding the MSL program (e.g., admissions, program outcomes) is available at: www.samford.edu/cumberlandlaw/health-law-and-compliance

Coursework

- Seven (7) specific MSL 'didactic' courses are to be completed.
- All seven MSL courses are offered online.
- These seven MSL courses are not offered every semester.
- Two MSL courses (MHLP 530 and 550) have to be taken in sequence; the other MSL courses can be taken in any order (i.e., no pre-requisite).
- Pharmacy students are exempt from the following MSL courses:
 - MSLW 525 Principles of Business Law (3 hours)
 - MHLP 520 Introduction to Healthcare Delivery Systems (3 hours)
 - MSLW 535 Legal Writing and Communications Skills (3 hours)
 - MSLW 600 Master of Studies in Law Capstone (3 hours)
- Students may not earn a grade below "C" in any course to progress in the MSL program. Other MSL academic policies apply to students in this program. Please refer to the [Grad Law website](#) for all of these policies.
- MSL courses not completed before graduating from the MSOP program must be completed within 18 months of graduating from the pharmacy program to receive the MSL degree.
- Pharmacy students no longer interested in completing the MSL program have to communicate with the MSOP Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Capstone

- PHRX 500, 550, and 600 Capstone topic must be approved by MSOP facilitator as well as by Cumberland's Director of Graduate Programs. A copy of the written paper and presentation are to be submitted to Cumberland's Director of Graduate Programs upon completion.

Electives

- No elective courses are offered in the MSL program.
- Since PHRX courses can count towards the MSL degree, selected courses within the MSL program can be counted as a PHRX didactic elective course.
- The MSOP Curriculum Committee approved these MHLP courses as PHRX didactic electives:
 - MHLP 530, MHLP 550 and MHLP 570.
- MSOP students in the MSL program can still enroll in PHRX didactic electives.

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Master of Studies in Law / PharmD				
Health Law and Compliance Required Courses			Course Credits	Total Required Credits
M.S.L. Required Courses				6
	MSLW 515	Introduction to Law and Legal Procedure	3	
	MSLW 545	Introduction to Public Policy: Legislation and Regulation	3	
Health Law and Compliance Required Courses				15
	MHLP 530	Healthcare Compliance: Laws and Regulations	3	
	MHLP 541	Healthcare Insurance and Finance	3	
	MHLP 550	Healthcare Compliance: Programs and Policies	3	
	MHLP 560	Corporate Ethics in Healthcare	3	
	MHLP 570	Healthcare Privacy and Security	3	
Pharm D Required Courses				13
	PHRX 527	Literature Evaluation	2	
	PHRX 315	Introduction to Patient Care Systems	2	
	PHRX 515	Human Resource Management	3	
	PHRX 516	Pharmacy Law	3	
	PHRX 500	Introduction to Capstone Project	1	
	PHRX 550	Capstone Project I	1	
	PHRX 600	Capstone Project II	1	
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