MASTER OF LEGAL STUDIES POLICIES

Admissions

Admissions considerations: When making an admissions decision, Chase College of Law will consider the applicant's undergraduate GPA (2.50 minimum), undergraduate major and institution, work experience, and answers to the questions provided on the application.

Standardized Tests

No standardized test is required for acceptance to the Master of Legal Studies program. Students may, however, submit test scores they received on standardized tests.

<u>Visiting Students; Undergraduate Students Taking Chase Courses; MLS Students Taking Undergraduate Courses</u>

Chase College of Law will allow students seeking a Master of Legal Studies degree at another institution to be a visiting student at Chase, as long as the student can provide documentation that the student's degree-granting institution will accept transfer credit from Chase.

No undergraduate students, other than those participating in the Chase 3+3 program, may take any courses at Chase College of Law.

Students in the Master of Legal Studies program may take a maximum of six credit-hours at NKU's other colleges and receive credit toward the MLS degree for that coursework. The remaining twenty-four credit-hours must be earned at Chase College of Law (or at another law school - see transfer credit policy below). Students must receive permission from Chase's Associate Dean for A for A

Credit Applied to Degree;

<u>Transfer Between JD and MLS Programs</u>

Students in the Master of Legal Studies program who wish to transfer to the JD program must apply to the JD program just as any other JD candidate would do. Credits earned in the Master of Legal Studies program cannot transfer to the JD program.

Students in the JD program who no longer wish to pursue a JD degree may transfer a maximum of 21 passing credits (grades of "C" or better) to the MLS degree and continue to pursue that degree. While the credits will transfer, the student will start earning a new Grade Point Average in the Master of Legal Studies program. The student must then complete the remaining hours needed for graduation as a student in the Master of Legal Studies program. These "degree-transfer students" must meet with the Associate Dean for Academics and with the Office of Graduate Education to discuss Academic Standing issues (if applicable). The transferring student will pay MLS tuition for the remaining MLS credit-hours, but he or she will not be eligible for any refund of the difference between the JD and MLS tuition.

Audits and Course Loads

In order to audit a course, students in the Master of Legal Studies program must receive permission from the Associate Dean for Academics and the faculty member teaching the course the students wish to audit.

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