

FAQ - Master of Studies in Law (MSL) Application

Questions?

Who can I contact if I have any questions?

Please contact us directly at MSL@law.ufl.edu | 352-273-0818

Application Website

Where do I apply?

Please visit the [UF Graduate Application](#).

Conduct

Do I need to disclose previous conduct?

Yes, you are required to report previous conduct, whether it be an educational misconduct or criminal misconduct.

If your records have been expunged, you do not have to answer Yes. However, if you are unsure whether this applies to your situation, you should answer Yes and fully declare the incident(s) to avoid any risk of disciplinary action or revocation of an admission offer.

You can upload copies of your Conduct documents in the “Additional Questions” section under “Other Upload,” you can upload the Conduct documents after you submit your application, or you can attach them in an email to msl@law.ufl.edu

At the University of Florida, all references to criminal history in admissions applications are separated upon receipt and applications are reviewed for admission without awareness of whether the applicant checked the box related to criminal justice history. A separate team of specially trained University professionals on campus security and consultation assessment will evaluate whether a past criminal offense would justify a denial of admission and make a recommendation to the Director of Admissions.

Simply acknowledging a prior criminal history is not necessarily a bar to admission and applicants with a criminal justice history should not be discouraged from applying.

Cannot Find Program

What should I do if I cannot find the Studies in Law Program under the Program of Study section?

Go to the Previous Page (Application Information). Under the “Location of Intended Program” ensure you have selected “**Distance Education.**”

The colleges are listed alphabetically, the college of law is named after our benefactor, you need to look for “**Fredric G. Levin College of Law.**”

Cannot Find Major

What should I do if I cannot find my undergraduate major?

If you cannot find your major, scroll to the bottom of the list of majors and select “**Other.**”

You can then enter your major name into the “Indicate Your Undergraduate Major” box.

Cannot Find Previous Schools

What should I do if I cannot find my previous schools?

You must first ensure you have entered the correct city.

For example, the University of Miami is in the city of Coral Gables, FL. You can contact us if you need help finding your school.

If you cannot find your previous institution, you can select “None of the Above.”

You can then manually enter your school information.

Upload Transcripts

Am I required to upload transcripts?

You do **not** need to upload an unofficial transcript.

You must have your previous institutions send us official transcripts so that we can complete our review and issue a decision.

Self- reported GPA

What should I do if I am having trouble with the self-reported GPA?

Please just do your best, it does not need to be perfect. The self-reported GPA is just a reference point; we do **not** use the Self-Reported GPA to make an admission decision.

We make admission decisions using the GPA on your official transcripts.

Activities Section

What should I enter for the Activities section?

At minimum, we recommend entering your most recent employer in this section.

This section exists so we can better understand your journey. Some people try to start a master's program after finishing their bachelor's degree, while others will begin their career for several years before trying to start a master's program. Everyone's journey is different, please share your journey since you completed your bachelor's degree.

It is very important to list activities outside of employment /education that might be relevant to what you want to study in our program.

For example, if you are interested in Financial and Tax Compliance and you are a member of an organization like the National Association of Tax Professionals, it would make your application more competitive to list that you are involved in that organization.

You are welcome to list all the activities you are involved in, please ensure you at least list the ones that are relevant to your application.

End Date for Activity

What should I enter for the End Date or an ongoing activity?

If you plan to continue an activity while you complete our program, please enter your intended start date for our program. We understand that you will continue to be involved.

The system does not have a continue indefinitely option.

Test Scores

Am I required to submit test scores?

No! Test scores are **not** used to make admission decisions.

If you are an international student, the TOEFL or IELTS is required.

English Proficiency

I am an international student; do you require English Proficiency exams?

If you are an international student, the TOEFL or IELTS is required.

Please review [International Applicant Information](#) for exemptions and more information.

Minimum acceptable scores:

TOEFL (iBT & Home Edition): 80

IELTS Academic: 6.5

Statement of Purpose

Can my Statement of Purpose exceed the word count?

We would prefer you stick to the recommended 400–500-word essay. But you may exceed the word count if you think it is necessary.

Letters of Recommendation

Are Letters of Recommendation required?

No! Letters of Recommendation are not required.

Residency

Who should I contact if I have an issue with the Residency Information section?

The Levin College of Law cannot assist you with Residency questions. The Main Campus Office of Admissions determines residency. You can contact them if you have questions at residency@admissions.ufl.edu | (352) 392-1365.