

Statement of Eligibility for the Tulane University Law School 3+3 Program (SOPA)

Note to student: Confirming your eligibility for the Tulane University Combined Degree Program does not guarantee your admission to Tulane Law School. Once you have determined your eligibility, you will still need to apply directly to the law school. This form will be shared with the law school to facilitate the admissions process, but is not in itself an application.

Applicant Name: _____ Tulane ID#: _____

Anticipated Application to Law School (month/year): _____ LSAC ID#: _____

Step 1: Meet with your major advisor or departmental chair to confirm that upon successful completion of your currently enrolled courses at Tulane, you will have finished all the requirements for your major. (Repeat this step if you are majoring in more than one discipline and attach a second form).

I confirm that _____, upon satisfactorily completing their currently enrolled courses,
Student Name
will have met the requirements of the _____ major.

Faculty Advisor/Department Chair signature Date: _____

Faculty Advisor/Department Chair (Print Name)

Step 2: Meet with your academic advisor to confirm that upon successful completion of your currently registered courses at Tulane, you will have satisfied all the requirements of the School of Professional Advancement's Core Curriculum and that you will have accrued a minimum of 90 credit hours.

I confirm that _____, upon satisfactorily completing their currently enrolled courses,
Student's Name
will have met the requirements of the School of Professional Advancement's Core Curriculum and have earned at least 90 credit hours.

Academic Advisor Signature Date: _____

Step 3: Return this form to the pre-law advisor for processing and forwarding.

Academic Advising Office Use Only

Pre-law advisor signature: _____ Date: _____

Dean's signature: _____ Date: _____

Notes:

Tulane University Joint-Degree Baccalaureate/JD Program (3+3) (SOPA)

Qualified undergraduates of School of Professional Advancement may apply for admission to Tulane Law School during their junior year. If admitted, students enroll as full-time law students during what would otherwise be their senior year. At the successful conclusion of that year, the undergraduate degree is awarded. After two more years of full-time law study, the JD is awarded. This program enables students to receive their undergraduate degree and the JD in six years.

Students will be considered SOPA undergraduates in their first year of law school for financial aid purposes; if you receive financial aid, your financial aid awards can be used towards your first year of law school courses. It is your responsibility to make sure you meet the deadlines for any necessary financial aid applications set by the Office of Financial Aid. Whether you are currently receiving financial aid or not, the law school will evaluate you for scholarship eligibility during the review of your admissions application.

In order to be eligible to **apply** to the program you must meet the following criteria:

- Have met with a pre-law advisor to discuss your interest in the program.
- Have junior standing in the School of Professional Advancement.
- Be registered for your sixth semester of coursework (typically, spring of your junior year), in which you will earn the minimum 90 hours required to apply. Your major advisor and academic advisor will need to certify your eligibility and in order to do so they must have an official list of the courses you plan to complete in your sixth semester.
- Have earned no more than 104 hours of Tulane or Tulane accepted transfer credits prior to the start of law school.

In order to be eligible to **enter** the program, you must complete your SOPA core curriculum and your major requirements by the end of your sixth semester/90 hours of credit at Tulane University. Your first year of law coursework will be applied to the overall credit hours needed to graduate with a baccalaureate from Tulane (120 hours, minimum; some degrees, such as the BSM, may require more). These law courses cannot fulfill your core curriculum or major requirements.

Keep in mind that completing the requirements and eligibility form does not constitute an application to Tulane Law School, nor does it guarantee your acceptance. You must apply to the law school separately, and your application will be evaluated according to the usual admissions criteria of the Tulane Law School. Students should plan to take the LSAT either the summer after their sophomore year or the fall of their junior year.

If you have any questions, you may email one of the pre-law advisors, Kathleen Maier (kmurphy@tulane.edu), Duc Huynh (dhuyh3@tulane.edu), or Bradford Rhines (brhines@tulane.edu). Also feel free to schedule an appointment at <http://tulane.edu/advising/appointment.cfm>.

I have read and understood the information provided above.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____