

Program Guide
Truman State University 3+3 Law School Pathways

Overview

What is a 3+3 Law School Pathway?

A 3+3 agreement between Truman and a juris doctorate (law school) program enables a student to apply to law school during their junior year at Truman, and transfer to law school after completing 90 credits at Truman. Assuming the student has met their degree requirements (see below for specifics), the student can then transfer their first year of law school credits to back to Truman to be used in completion of the bachelor's degree.

With which law schools does Truman have 3+3 agreements?

The University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, The University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, Saint Louis University School of Law, and Drake University Law School

Who is eligible for these programs?

Students wishing to matriculate at a law school via a 3+3 pathway must:

- Complete all Liberal Studies Program (or Dialogues) requirements:
- Earn an overall cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5
- Earn a grade of "B" or higher in JUST 307 The Legal System; students are recommended to take other law-related coursework at Truman, including BSAD 234 Legal Environment of Business, JUST 305 Criminal Law, POL 371 Constitutional Law
- Meet all admission criteria for the law school program of their choice; see the [specific program agreements](#) and law school admissions websites for details
- Submit an approved 3+3 Pathway Worksheet (below) indicating how the student's law school coursework will be used to satisfy all remaining degree requirements
- Students intending to matriculate at Saint Louis University School of Law must request a certification letter from the Truman State University Registrar's Office verifying their progress towards degree completion (see a program coordinator for details)

Instructions for Students

Optimal Timeline:

First Year at Truman: Declare your interest in the 3+3 pathway by contacting the 3+3 Program Coordinator, the Articulation Coordinator, and the Registrar's Office. You may wish to also notify other applicable faculty members. Work with your academic advisor and other faculty to develop a graduation plan for your three years at Truman. At the end of your first year, submit your Degreeworks Plan to the 3+3 Program Coordinator as well as the Articulation Coordinator for review.

Second Year at Truman: Check in regularly with your academic advisor and 3+3 Program Coordinator to make sure you are still on track. Complete the 3+3 pathway worksheet (below) to show how your

proposed law school courses will complete your remaining degree requirements at Truman. Prepare for the LSAT exam.

Third Year at Truman: Complete the LSAT and apply to the law programs(s) of your choice. The LSAT is offered several times per year. It is strongly recommended that you take the LSAT no later than September of your third year at Truman. Please consult with a pre-law advisor about the LSAT preparation process.

Continue to meet regularly with advisors to make sure you are on track. Once you are enrolled in your final semester of Truman courses, submit the 3+3 pathways worksheet (by Dec. 01) to the 3+3 Program Coordinator, the Registrar's Office and the Articulation Coordinator for verification. Complete your University Portfolio and take your senior exams.

First Year at Law School: Once you are enrolled in your law school courses, request to have your law school transcript sent to Truman after your first semester. Verify with the Truman Registrar and Articulation Coordinator that the transcript has arrived, and apply to graduate via TruView. Once you have completed your first year at Law School, request to have a final law school transcript sent to Truman for degree verification.

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3+3 Law School Pathways Worksheet

This form is to be completed by a student intending to pursue a 3+3 Law School Pathway. **Please submit this form, along with your current DegreeWorks worksheet, to the Registrar's Office (McClain 104) by December 1st of the academic year in which you will complete at least 90 credits towards your undergraduate degree at Truman.** If applying to multiple Law Schools via the 3+3 Pathway, please submit separate worksheets.

Name: _____ ID#: _____

Truman Email: _____

Undergraduate Major and Degree: _____

Minor(s): _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Letter grade in JUST 307 The Legal System: _____

Intended Law School Program: _____

Intended Term of Matriculation at Law School: _____

Course Table

In the table below, please indicate the names and course numbers of all law school coursework you may wish to transfer to Truman, along with the degree requirement you intend for it to complete.

Law School Course	Credits	Truman Degree Requirement
Example: Legal Studies 1001	3	Upper-Level Elective Credit

By participating in a law school 3+3 pathway, the graduation requirement that a student's last 28 credits be completed in residency is waived. If you intend apply your law school credits towards the minimum undergraduate degree requirements of 120 total credits and/or 40 upper-level credits, this form may be signed by the 3+3 coordinator, and does not require a department chair's signature. If you intend to apply any of your law school credits toward major or minor requirements, a department chair's signature is also required.

Signatures

Student: _____

Date: _____

3+3 Coordinator: _____

Date: _____

Department Chair: _____

Date: _____