Joint Master’s Degree Programs

The School of Forestry & Environmental Studies supports several curricula that work concurrently toward two degrees from different academic units of Yale University. Opportunities for development of joint-degree programs exist with the School of Architecture, Divinity School, Law School, School of Management, School of Public Health, the Graduate School of Arts and Science's Global Affairs program coordinated through the Jackson Institute, the International and Development Economics program of the Graduate School's Department of Economics, and three programs offered by the Graduate School and coordinated through the MacMillan Center (African Studies, East Asian Studies, and European and Russian Studies). Joint-degree programs with Pace Law School and Vermont Law School constitute additional options. Applicants are urged to apply to both units at the same time. All of these programs are subject to the following general guidelines.

Applicants must apply to, and be accepted by, both units of the University according to normal admissions procedures. A minimum of one and one-half years (three terms) and 36 credits is required at the School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. For successful integration of the two programs, it is recommended that students spend a complete academic year (two terms) at one school, the following academic year at the other school, and then split the final year between the two schools.

Upon successful completion of the formal joint-degree program, the student will be awarded one of the four F&ES master's degrees, together with the joint degree. The joint-degree programs, sponsoring Yale academic units, and associated residency requirements (which are in addition to the three-term requirement of F&ES) are as follows:

1. School of Architecture: Master of Architecture I (five terms); Master of Architecture II (three terms).
2. Divinity School: Master of Arts in Religion (three terms); Master of Divinity (five terms).
3. Schools of law (Yale Law School, Pace Law School, and Vermont Law School): Juris Doctor (five terms).
4. School of Management: Master of Business Administration (three terms).
5. School of Public Health: Master of Public Health (three terms).
6. Global Affairs (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences): Master of Arts (three terms).
7. Department of Economics, International Development and Economics program (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences): Master of Arts (two to three terms).
8. African Studies (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences): Master of Arts (three terms).
9. East Asian Studies (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences): Master of Arts (three terms).
10. European and Russian Studies (Graduate School of Arts and Sciences): Master of Arts (three terms).

For questions about these joint-degree programs, please contact the F&ES Office of Admissions at fesinfo@yale.edu or 800.825.0330.

Joint-Degree Program with Tsinghua University

F&ES offers a three-year joint-degree program with Tsinghua University School of Environment in China. This program consists of one and one-half years (three terms) at Tsinghua working toward a Master of Environmental Engineering and one and one-half years (three terms) at Yale working toward a Master of Environmental Management, Master of Environmental Science, Master of Forestry, or Master of Forest Science. Students who begin their program at F&ES will spend one year (two terms) at F&ES, followed by one and one-half years (three terms) at Tsinghua, and then conclude their program with one-half year (one term) at F&ES. Students who begin their program at Tsinghua will spend one-half year (one term) at Tsinghua, one and one-half years (three terms) at F&ES, and then conclude their program with one year (two terms) at Tsinghua.

Applicants must apply to, and be accepted by, both F&ES and Tsinghua University under normal admissions procedures. For questions about this joint-degree program, please contact the F&ES Office of Admissions at fesinfo@yale.edu or 800.825.0330.

Joint Management Program with Universidad de los Andes

F&ES offers an additional joint program with the Universidad de los Andes in Bogotá, Colombia. This program consists of two years (48 credits) at F&ES working toward the Master of Environmental Management, followed by fifteen months at the Universidad de los Andes working toward completion of the full-time Master of Business Administration. Upon successful completion of each program, the student will be awarded a Master of Environmental Management degree from Yale and a Master of Business Administration degree from Universidad de los Andes.

Applicants must apply to, and be accepted by, both F&ES and the Universidad de los Andes under normal admissions procedures. For questions about this joint-degree program, please contact the F&ES Office of Admissions at fesinfo@yale.edu or 800.825.0330.