

MONTANA'S LAW SCHOOL

PROTECTING
OUR WAY OF LIFE

Montana's Law School aims to develop online programming in areas critical to Montana – Agricultural Law, Natural Resources Law, and Indian Law.

To achieve this goal, the University of Montana's Alexander Blewett III School of Law requests the following:

- \$575,000 to complete a feasibility study for a low-residency online J.D. with admission of the first class beginning no earlier than AY2027-2028.
- \$325,000 to hire an agricultural law professor and a director of the online masters of law and policy degrees to develop and offer online courses beginning AY2026-2027.
- \$100,000 student success budget to attract substantial enrollment for the online law and policy masters degrees and low-residency online J.D.

What is an online J.D.?

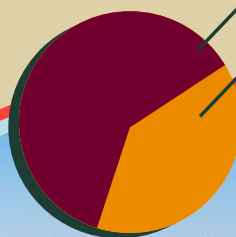
Law students obtain a J.D. over four years by completing condensed in-person workshops and remaining course work online. This benefits rural Montanans by bringing law school to them. This will help secure more rural prosecutors and fill a need throughout Montana. More than 17 law schools successfully offer low-residency online JD degrees.

Who would enroll in a Masters of Law and Policy degree?

Professionals working in natural resources, agriculture, and Indian Law must gain familiarity with the laws impacting their profession. A masters of law and policy provides professionals a streamlined program to obtain the necessary legal knowledge for their professions.

Students Available
In-Person by Class Each Year (95 max)

Students Available
Online Each Year (45 max, estimated)



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