
Going Beyond the Law Degree

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The more degrees you have, the greater your options and more respected you will be in your career, correct? The answer is "maybe," and "it depends." Many law schools offer a variety of joint degree programs. Some law students obtain degrees in fields such as public health or international affairs. Those wishing to become intellectual property lawyers may earn an advanced degree in a scientific field. A few students will even tackle both law and medical school at once. More common is combining a law degree with a master's of business administration. Prominent JD-MBAs include Christopher Cox, chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, legendary investment banker Bruce Wasserstein, and Raymond McGuire, co-head of investment banking at Citigroup.

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