

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION AND LEADERSHIP (GOAL)

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Program Mission and Objectives

The Government Organization and Leadership (GOAL) program is designed as a joint-degree program to prepare Creighton law students to assume leadership positions as attorneys working for government entities. Students in the program acquire valuable information and skills useful across the full array of government activity. While the program focuses primarily on the roles of lawyers within the federal government, GOAL graduates emerge from the program well equipped to succeed in state and local government as well. The program is both theoretical and practical: students develop a sophisticated construct of the role of lawyers in government and apply their learning during an intensive full-time externship in a federal governmental office. GOAL offers students:

- A legal/organizational framework for understanding the role of government counsel;
- A set of core competencies to understand and effectively participate as lawyers in leadership and organizational roles in government;
- An enhanced capacity for working as government lawyers in federal agencies;
- Practical skills and techniques in strategic planning, problem solving, collaboration, decision making, and consensus building;
- A detailed understanding of government standards of ethical conduct and ethical principles arising from core values of our society and the Jesuit tradition; and
- Tools to enhance performance and achieve desirable outcomes in career pursuits.
- Graduate in 3 years with a joint JD/MS degree.

Degrees in Government Organization and Leadership

- M.S.-GOAL (Government Organization and Leadership) (<http://catalog.creighton.edu/graduate/graduate-programs-courses/government-organization/government-organization-leadership-ms/>)
- J.D./M.S.-GOAL Dual Degree Program (<http://catalog.creighton.edu/law/dual-degree-programs/government-organization-leadership-dual-degree-jd-ms/>)