Iowa State University students can earn an undergraduate degree and a law degree in six years rather than the usual seven. Students are eligible for this opportunity with any major within the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS). The 3+3 Law School agreement is articulated with LAS.

Under this agreement, LAS students need to complete 90 college credits and be GRADUATION READY prior to participation. The majority of students within the first year of law school will complete courses that will transfer to ISU as upper level credits in their LAS major and upper level electives. These credits will count towards the remaining 45 credits at the 300 level. Students may also transfer first year law school courses that satisfy remaining LAS general education requirements and/or their advanced communication requirement. All first year law school courses will be pre-approved to meet any of these requirements. Students will receive their bachelor’s degree after successful completion of their first year of law school. LAS transfer students may be good candidates for the 3+3 Law School agreement. These students need to speak with Bruce Allen, ISU prelaw adviser, to determine if their academic situation is timely and applicable to the 3+3 Law School agreement.

Participating students will be enrolled in LAS 400 each semester. This non-credit course maintains the student’s link to ISU and LAS. Students must register for graduation prior to spring graduation.

HOW DO I PREPARE?
Students should discuss the 3+3 Law School agreement with Bruce Allen, ISU prelaw adviser, at allenbs@iastate.edu or 515-294-4831. Mr. Allen will assist students and participating LAS departmental academic advisers to ensure that student’s degree requirements are met through three years of undergraduate study and the first year of law school. A 3+3 check list has been created to confirm that a participating student has satisfied LAS degree requirements and is GRADUATION READY before the first year of law school. You will find the enclosed 3+3 check list at the end of this document.

Participants will complete the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) and apply to Drake Law School and/or the University of Iowa College Of Law during the fall of their third year of undergraduate study. 3+3 Law School participants apply to law school using the normal law school application process. Participation in the 3+3 Law School agreement does not guarantee admission into Drake Law School or The University of Iowa College of Law.

HOW DOES FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS WORK WITH THIS PROGRAM?
• Every Iowa State University student enrolling at Drake Law School through the 3+3 Law School agreement is guaranteed a $5,000 scholarship per year Cyclone Scholars Award. The award is automatically renewable for all three years of law school and may be included with other scholarships and financial aid.

• There will be additional funding for scholarships designated for 3+3 participants at the University Of Iowa College Of Law. Other scholarships and financial aid will continue to be available for students.

WHAT IF MY PLANS CHANGE?
You may proceed with completing your Iowa State undergraduate degree if you decide not to participate in the 3+3 law school agreement or you are not admitted into Drake Law School or the University Of Iowa College Of Law.
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

3 + 3 Articulation Agreement with
Drake University Law School and University of Iowa College of Law

Liberal Arts and Sciences students, with careful planning, can complete three years at Iowa State University and transfer the first year of law school to earn a bachelor’s degree. The following requirements must be met prior to entering law school.

____ Minimum 2.00 graduation cumulative grade point average
____ Minimum of 90 credits applicable to LAS degree
____ Minimum 30 credits earned at ISU after reaching junior status.
____ International Perspective
____ U S Diversity
____ English 150
____ English 250
____ Library 160*
____ Advanced Communication*
____ Foreign Language
____ LAS General Education areas*
____ LAS Major Requirements (including complementary courses)*

*At the discretion of the LAS College and major department, certain courses from the first year of law school may apply towards one or more of these requirements. Students must consult with their academic adviser to determine how these will be satisfied.

Completion of the above requirements does not guarantee admission to law school. Students will complete the same admission process as other law school applicants.