

**Georgetown University Law Center  
Student Bar Association  
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**Resolution 1:  
Sentiment of SBA on the Creation of a Designation for Joint Degree Students**

WHEREAS Georgetown University has a diverse, vibrant, and renowned joint degree program which attracts bright students from around the world;

WHEREAS those students have concerns, needs and requirements that are unique and separate from full-time and part-time students;

WHEREAS joint degree students need to be treated as different class years for different offices and many joint degree students have experienced frustration interacting with Law Center offices such as the Registrar, Career Services, IST and Financial Aid

WHEREAS these joint degree student frustrations are largely attributable to the students' inexact administrative classification and remedied by making that classification more precise;

WHEREAS Joint degree students usually require 4 years to finish the J.D. portion of their joint degree and the 1L, 2L, 3L classifications, like the 1E, 2E, 3E, and 4E classifications, do not reasonably reflect the academic coursework completed by a joint degree student from year to year.

WHEREAS it would be in the best interests of joint degree students and the administration for joint degree students to have their own designation (such as 1J, 2J, 3J and 4J), as do full-time and part-time students; and,

WHEREAS the Student Bar Association represents all Law Center Students including full-time, part-time, transfer and joint degree students;

Be it hereby resolved that:

It is the sentiment of the Georgetown University Law Center Student Bar Association that the Law Center create a designation for joint degree students to be used by all offices on campus to classify said students, and that that each office develop protocols to ensure joint degree students' unique needs and concerns are incorporated into Law Center programs and communications.

Faithfully submitted,  
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