Admission Made **Simple**: Your **Journey** to **Law School**





Applying to Law School: NAVIGATING THE APPLICATION PROCESS





Photo above: Future law student using LSAC's online resources to support her law school enrollment journey

Your One-Stop RESOURCE FOR ADMISSION

THE LSAT[®] — MEASURING THE SKILLS YOU NEED TO SUCCEED

The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) is the premier test for law school admission, measuring the skills that are essential to success in law school. The test is a fair, reliable, and scientifically valid exam that was created to expand access to legal education for all and is an integral part of the overall admission process in the United States, Canada, and a growing number of other countries.

It is the only test accepted by all ABA-approved law schools.

WHY THE LSAT?

Reading comprehension, reasoning, and writing are <u>essential skills</u> you will need to be successful in law school and as a lawyer. Pursuing a legal education is a serious commitment of time and resources, and so preparing for the LSAT is an important part of the admission process. Taking the LSAT will provide you and the law schools to which you apply with a fair assessment of your capabilities and potential for success while introducing you to the skills you will continue to develop while in law school.



Photo above: Future law student using Official LSAT Prep from the Khan Academy website

LSAT FORMAT

The LSAT consists of three different types of multiplechoice questions and an unscored writing section called "LSAT Writing." This unscored writing portion of the LSAT is completed online using secure proctoring software that is installed on your own computer.

Multiple-choice questions are divided into the following sections:

- Reading comprehension (measures the ability to read and understand complex texts with accuracy and insight)
- Analytical reasoning (measures the ability to understand a structure of rule-based relationships and to gather reasonable inferences from it)
- Logical reasoning (measures the ability to analyze and evaluate the reasoning and arguments of others)

Some versions of the LSAT may also include an unscored section that is used to pretest new questions that may be used on future tests.

OFFICIAL LSAT PREP

The Law School Admission Council (LSAC), the developers of the LSAT, recognizes your need for affordable test preparation resources that can help you improve your skills and feel more confident on test day.

Sign up for an account at **LSAC.org** to receive **free access** to two full Official LSAT PrepTests[™] and one full LSAT-Flex sample test to get familiar with the LSAT interface. When you're ready to build test skills with even more practice, Official LSAT Prep Plus[™] provides one-year access to 70+ full Official LSAT PrepTests.

LSAC has also worked extensively with Khan Academy, a leader in world-class online education, to develop the first comprehensive, free, online LSAT prep platform. All aspiring law students should have access to free, personalized LSAT prep using official LSAT questions. Available at <u>KhanAcademy.org/Isat</u>, this groundbreaking program will help you prepare, practice, and build the skills you need to succeed on the LSAT, in law school, and in the legal profession.



Discover Law at LSAC.org

See how a legal education can open the door to a wide range of career opportunities.

Applying to law school requires planning. LSAC is here to guide you every step of the way as you prepare, apply, and ultimately choose where you want to go to law school.

LSAC LAW SCHOOL FORUMS

You want to find the law school that best fits with your needs and, thus, likely have many questions. LSAC Law School Forums are open-house-style recruitment events that make it easy for you to research law schools and the admission process. The forums have gone digital this year, which means you can network with representatives from many ABA-approved law schools, participate in educational workshops, and learn more about your important next steps — all from the comfort and safety of your own home!

The list of workshops includes:

• About the LSAT

- Financing a Legal Education in the U.S.
- Diversity Information Panel
- And more!
- The U.S. JD Application Process



To see the full list of workshops and learn more about the forums, go to **LSAC.org/lawschoolforums**.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

LSAC is committed to the idea that the legal profession should reflect the diversity of the world around us. That's why we make <u>resources available</u> to advocate for and promote broad-based diversity in legal education and the legal profession. We seek to increase opportunities for people from diverse backgrounds and ensure that the future of our justice system reflects all those it serves.

LSAC PRELAW UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARS (PLUS) PROGRAMS

LSAC's summer PLUS programs are open to everyone and specifically aimed at groups who are underrepresented in the legal profession. The programs are designed for students in the first two years of college. The PLUS programs immerse participants in the law school experience and introduce them to the skills important for law school success. Program participants will have the opportunity to take courses in legal skills, writing, legal research, and advocacy, and will be exposed to various career opportunities in the legal profession. For more information, go to LSAC.org.

CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICESM

LSAC's Credential Assembly Service (CAS) simplifies your law school application process. It streamlines law school admission by allowing all your transcripts and recommendations to be sent only once to LSAC. There, your application documents are summarized and combined with LSAT scores and writing samples, and the resulting law school report is sent to all law schools to which you apply. The schools' applications are also available at LSAC.org.

Once created, your CAS account remains active for five years and includes the following:

- Transcript summarization (as well as authentication and evaluation of academic records for internationally educated JD applicants, if applicable)
- Creation of your law school report (Note: You will need to purchase a law school report for each law school to which you're applying.)
- Letter(s) of recommendation processing
- Electronic application processing for all ABA-approved law schools and some non-ABA-approved schools

| LSAT (includes LSAT Writing) | \$200 |
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| Credential Assembly Service | \$195 |
| Law School Report | \$45 |

SCORE PREVIEW

LSAC offers a score preview option for first-time test takers who wish to see their LSAT score before deciding whether to keep it as part of their LSAC transcript and have it reported to law schools. Score Preview costs \$45 for those who sign up prior to the first day of testing for a given test administration, or \$75 for those who sign up during a specified period after their given test administration. First-time test takers who have an approved LSAT fee waiver can sign up for **Score Preview** free of charge.

FEE WAIVERS FOR THE LSAT AND CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS)

Our fee waiver program is available for those who cannot afford to pay for the LSAT and CAS. This program is part of our mission to reduce barriers for determined law school applicants. More information about the **fee waiver application process** can be found on LSAC.org.

REGISTER TO TAKE THE LSAT

Check out upcoming test dates and registration deadlines at LSAC.org.



Log in or create an account to access all the benefits and tools available at **LSAC.org**.

RESOURCES FOR CANDIDATES

LSAC offers a variety of resources to assist you on your law school enrollment journey, including a comprehensive listing of tools and information designed to help you navigate the admission process. The Discover Law section of our website allows you to explore the various types of law degrees, programs, and fields of law that exist today in order to decide what type of educational and career path you wish to pursue. Our popular candidate webinar series has provided an opportunity for current and aspiring law students to connect with and learn from law school deans, admission leaders, and each other, while our blog Law:Fully provides insights on a number of topics related to law and legal education. We encourage anyone interested in pursuing a legal education to check out the wealth of information and resources available at LSAC.org.



Photo above: Future law student discovering the variety of resources available on LSAC's website

About Us

Law School Admission Council[™] (LSAC) is a not-for-profit organization devoted to promoting quality, access, and equity in law and education worldwide by supporting individuals' enrollment journeys and providing preeminent assessment, data, and technology services.

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