Applying to Law School

Law School Application Timeline

**Freshman and Sophomore Years**
- Attend a prelaw advising workshop at the Career Center
- Schedule an appointment with a prelaw advisor who can help you with your individual concerns
- Consider an internship or part-time position in the legal field
- Get involved in prelaw student clubs or organizations
- Check out the Law School Admissions Council for prospective law students: lsac.org

**Junior Year**
- Research law schools that are a good fit for you
- Attend a law school forum where you can talk with representatives from various law schools. Dates and locations are at lsac.org
- Attend the Law School Fair on campus in the Fall; another opportunity to speak with representatives
- Make preliminary list of law schools you are considering

**End of Junior Year/Senior Summer**
- Start writing your personal statement
- Set up your LSAC account
- Consider taking an LSAT (Law School Admission Test) test preparation course
- Take the LSAT which is offered 4 times per year
- Start asking professors and employers for letters of recommendation

**Early Senior Fall**
- Make a checklist and schedule for each application, and photocopy all forms
- Send transcripts and letters of recommendation to LSDAS
- Finish your personal statement. Tailor it to specific essay topics, if any.
- Request financial aid materials and read the instructions carefully

**Senior Fall/Winter**
- Complete online applications through lsac.org and send off by deadlines
- Fill out the FAFSA and financial aid profiles if required (varies by school)
- Check your LSDAS Report for completion

**CAREER CENTER LAW RESOURCES**
- Law School Fair (Fall Quarter)
- Prelaw Advising
- Law Literature (articles, catalogs, etc.)
- Prelaw and Applying to Grad School Workshops
- LSDAS/LSAC Pamphlet
- ABA Guide to Law Schools