

Pre-Law Advising

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What is Pre-Law?

- **Pre-Law status at the University of Mississippi**
- **Can select any major – you are encouraged to select a major that interests you.**
- **Select courses that develop your analytic and problem solving skills, research ability, written and oral communication, and critical reading and thinking.**



Pre-Law Advisor

- **Assist with course selection for electives**
 - **Select challenging courses with extensive writing**
- **Selecting a major or minor**
- **Guide you through the admissions process when applying to law school**
 - **Set up an appointment with me no later than spring of your junior year**



The Timeline

JUNIOR YEAR

Visit us no later than beginning of Spring Semester, or before!

April-May

Register for the LSAT

SUMMER

Visit Law Schools

JUNE

Take the LSAT

SENIOR YEAR

Attend LSAC Law School Recruitment Forums
Prepare and submit applications as early as possible

OCTOBER

Retake LSAT if necessary



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The Timeline (Accelerated Law Version)

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Visit us no later than
beginning of Spring
Semester, preferably
before!

April-May

Register for the LSAT

SUMMER

JUNE

Take the LSAT

JUNIOR YEAR

Prepare and submit
application for UM Law
School

OCTOBER

Retake LSAT if necessary



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College of Liberal Arts – Any B.A. or B.S. Degree

- African American Studies
- Allied Health Studies
- Anthropology
- Arabic
- Art
- Art History
- Biochemistry
- Biological Science
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Classics
- Computer Science (BA)
- Economics
- English
- French
- German
- History
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International Studies
- Linguistics
- Mathematics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Policy Leadership
- Rhetoric
- Sociology
- Southern Studies
- Spanish
- Theatre Arts

School of Applied Sciences

- Law Studies

School of Engineering

- General Engineering

School of Business Administration

- General Business

School of Journalism

- Journalism
- Integrated Marketing Communication

Office of General Studies

- Multidisciplinary Studies



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What can you do as a Freshman?

Traditional Law (4+3)

- **Select major of interest.**
- **Visit Pre-Law Advising Office.**
- **Focus on academics.**
- **Develop relationships with instructors.**
- **Get involved on campus and keep record of involvement.**
- **Meet other Pre-law Students.**

Accelerated Law 3+3

- **Select major of interest.**
- **Meet with Academic Advisor and Pre-Law Advisor about 3+3 track!**
- **Focus on academics.**
- **Develop relationships with instructors.**
- **Get involved on campus and keep record of involvement.**
- **Meet other Pre-Law Students**



What can you do as a Sophomore?

Traditional Law (4+3)

- Continue focusing on academics.
- Continue developing relationships with instructors
- Consider leadership roles within student organizations.
- Schedule Pre-Law Advising meeting to discuss interests.
- Go to seminars and pre-law events to become familiar with process

Accelerated Law 3+3

- Continue focusing on academics.
- Continue developing relationships with instructors/Ask for LORs
- Consider leadership roles within student organization
- Meet with Pre-law advisor to discuss components of the application/sign up for LSAC account.
- Study/Sign up for the LSAT
- Take LSAT following summer



What can you do as a Junior?

Traditional Law (4+3)

- Continue focusing on academics.
- Continue developing relationships with instructors/Ask for LORs
- Be a leader in student organizations
- Meet with Pre-law advisor to discuss components of the application/sign up for LSAC account.
- Study/Sign up for the LSAT
- Take LSAT following summer

Accelerated Law 3+3

- Meet with Academic Advisor/Pre-Law Advisor.
- Retake LSAT in Fall if needed.
- Complete all components of application.
- Apply to University of Mississippi Law School.



What can you do as a Senior?

Traditional Law (4+3)

- **Meet with Academic Advisor/Pre-Law Advisor.**
- **Retake LSAT in Fall if needed.**
- **Complete all components of application.**
- **Apply to any law schools of interest.**

Accelerated Law 3+3

- **If accepted to the UM Law School, this will be the first year of law school (1L Year).**
- **If not accepted, students would remain and complete any additional electives/requirements to complete their undergraduate degree and can apply to any law schools during this year.**



LSAT

- **120-180 Score Range**
 - **Reading Comprehension**
 - **Analytical Reasoning**
 - **Logical Reasoning**
 - **Writing Sample (administered separately from the rest of the LSAT exam).**



How to Prepare?

- **Practice Tests**
 - **Goal: 10-15 before first test**
- **Khan Academy: Free Resource by the LSAC**
 - <https://www.lsac.org/lSAT>
- **Offered almost every month, take it during the Summer**



Components of the Law School Admission Committee Review

- **GPA**
- **LSAT score**

- **Letters of Recommendation**
- **Personal Statement**
- **Leadership/Extracurricular Activities**
- **Resume**



Fall 2023: Apply!

- **Why in Fall, if applications are due in Spring?!**
 - **Rolling Admissions**
 - **Highest chance of acceptance**
 - **Taking the LSAT in the Summer gives you time to retake in Fall, if needed**



Yale School of Law

INFORMATION SESSION



INTERESTED IN GOING TO YALE?

Join a private in-person open house for the University of Mississippi students and alumni!!!

Don't miss a great opportunity to learn more about Yale Law School, learn about their unique admissions process and supportive community.

TUESDAY, OCT 24TH

4:30 - 5:30 pm
Union 323.

Registration required!! Scan the QR Code to register.



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LAW SCHOOL

Admission Session

Wanna learn more about the law school admissions process?

Join us as we

- Learn all about the law school admissions process.
- “How to write an effective personal statement”
- Get your questions answered

**TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 17TH**

UNION 322
6:00 - 8:00 PM



Questions?



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