



Pre-Law Student Checklist

Freshman and Sophomore Years

- Select a major that you enjoy. There is no wrong major for students wanting to pursue law school.
- Become involved and remain active with student organizations relating to your areas of interest. We highly recommend the pre-law club (contact Cheryl Burnett at cburnett@uwyo.edu).
- Register for your free account with LSAC at www.lsac.org and learn more about the law school admissions process and the LSAT.
- Foster your connections with outstanding professors/employers/etc. who you will later ask to submit letters of recommendation.
- Participate in internships/externships that explore various careers in law.
- Visit with UW's International Programs Office regarding study abroad opportunities.
- Declare the prelaw minor, if interested.

Junior Year

- Early in the fall semester, take a mock LSAT test (the first of many during this academic year).
- Study for the LSAT.
- Write your first draft of your personal statement then let friends, professors, family, local lawyers, etc. review it for recommended edits.
- Submit your first draft of your resume to the UW Writing Center and the UW Center for Advising & Career Services for review.
- Register to take the official LSAT exam during February or June (most preferred by students).
- Register with the Credential Assembly Service (CAS).
- Secure at least three letters of recommendation, which need submitted to the CAS.
- Begin to visit and research law schools; select at least four to apply to and learn their application deadlines.

Senior Year

- Take the LSAT exam in October if you did not take it during your junior year.
- Upload all required documents to CAS.
- Complete and submit your law school applications.
- Research all financial aid and scholarship opportunities.
- Complete the FAFSA.
- Send thank you letters to those who wrote letters of recommendation and any others who helped you with the application process.

It is possible to take the LSAT more than once (limit of taking it three times in a two-year period). Please note that some schools will take your highest LSAT score but some will average your scores.

Make an appointment with the Pre-Law Advisor, Mitchell Anderson, by emailing manders2@uwyo.edu.