Admission as a Transient (Visiting) Student

The University of Texas at Austin’s School of Law grants a very limited number of requests to exceptional candidates who have demonstrated academic excellence who wish to visit the School of Law for one or two academic semesters during the fall, spring, or summer (subject to course offerings) terms. Applicants must also present compelling reasons to attend the School of Law.

Admission Policies

To be considered for admissions at Texas Law as a visiting student, an applicant must have completed the first-year curriculum in good academic standing at a law school that is accredited by the American Bar Association and a member of the Association of American Law Schools and register with the Law School Admission Council (LSAC).

See the General Information Catalog for admissions policies, requirements, and application deadlines.

Academic Credits

Visiting students are subject to all the rules and regulations set by The University of Texas and the School of Law. Visiting students must be registered for the minimum full-time credit load noted in the “Quantity of Work Rule” section of the General Information Catalog.

At the same time, visiting students may earn no more than 32 semester hours of credit in three semesters and must maintain a grade point average of at least 1.90 in all law courses taken during any semester.

Please note that Texas Law cannot guarantee that specific courses you wish to take, or specific professors under whom you want to study, will be available. Priority enrollment is given to current Texas Law students and please be aware that popular courses are often oversubscribed. A visiting student is not allowed to petition for enrollment in oversubscribed courses.

Statement of Non-Discrimination and Equal Education Opportunity

See the “University” section of the General Information Catalog.

Applicant Responsibility and Accuracy of Information

Applicants are under a continued obligation to notify the law school immediately of any and all circumstances and events that may occur from the date an application is submitted to the first day of enrollment that may change any of the responses to their application. Texas Law reserves the right to rescind an offer of admission if the candidate fails to maintain satisfactory scholastic standing for work in progress, if final records fail to show completion of courses and/or degrees required for admission or if the admission decision was based on incomplete, inaccurate or misleading information furnished by the applicant. In addition, the law school may also report its findings to LSAC’s Misconduct and Irregularities Committee.

Character and Moral Fitness

Applicants who have been convicted of a felony or other serious crime are eligible for admission into the law school; however, because state bar associations often prohibit persons with criminal records from being admitted to the bar regardless of their degrees or training, it may be impossible for such individuals to practice in some states.

In addition to the bar examination, there are character, fitness and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every U.S. jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

Application Procedures

A $70 nonrefundable application fee will be collected through LSAC at the time the application is submitted.

See our website for detailed application procedures.