

# SCHOOL OF LAW

## School of Law (JD, ML, MLG)

Application Fee	\$65 non-refundable fee for U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents applicants.
	\$90 non-refundable fee for international applicants.
Previous Degree	<p>JD and MLG - Must have an earned bachelor's degree from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the Department of Education. Foreign-educated applicants must possess a degree equivalent to a U.S. baccalaureate.</p> <p>ML - Must have an earned Juris Doctor (JD) degree from an ABA-accredited law school. Foreign educated lawyers must possess a degree equivalent to the Juris Doctor (JD).</p> <p>Matriculating students must provide an official transcript verifying the conferral of the baccalaureate degree. Failure to do so will result in the administrative withdrawal of the student.</p>
Undergraduate Cumulative GPA	No Minimum
Law School Admission Test (LSAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE)	<p>JD - Official LSAT or GRE scores required (no more than five years old)</p> <p>ML and MLG - No LSAT or GRE required</p>
International Requirements <sup>1</sup>	<p>JD and ML - Transcript evaluations must be performed by the Credential Assembly Service (CAS) provided by the Law School Admission Council (LSAC)</p> <p>MLG - Foreign-educated applicants, those who completed their bachelor's degree outside the U.S., its territories, or Canada, are required to submit all transcripts with an official English translation. Official translations must be prepared by a recognized translation service and include all original seals and/or signatures.</p>

### Other Requirements

- Foreign-educated applicants must demonstrate their English language proficiency through either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). For JD applicants, the recommended minimum score for the TOEFL is 100 on the internet-based test, and the recommended minimum score for the IELTS is 7.0. For ML and MLG applicants, the recommended minimum score for the TOEFL is 80 on the internet-based test (taken within two years), and the recommended minimum score for the IELTS is 6.0. ML and MLG applicants alternatively may demonstrate their English language proficiency through a minimum PTE academic score of 53, a minimum GRE verbal score of 146 (taken within five years), or a minimum GRE verbal score of 22.
- A personal statement and resume
- Supporting addenda (including Character and Fitness Disclosure requirements)
- A complete CAS report for JD and ML applicants
- All post-secondary transcripts; evaluations as required
- A minimum of 2 letters of recommendation (LOR), no more than 3 letters (optional for MLG)

## JD Admissions Process

The law school enrolls first-year JD students in the fall of each academic year. Applicants to the law school are not required to complete any specific pre-law curriculum or coursework. Applicants are encouraged to choose a course of study that emphasizes writing, analytical thinking, problem solving and critical reading.

The law school requires that an applicant for admission must earn a bachelor's degree from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the Department of Education prior to enrollment in the JD program. Foreign-educated applicants must possess a degree equivalent to a U.S. baccalaureate. An applicant's prior academic record and performance on the LSAT or GRE are important criteria in evaluating his or her aptitude for legal study as well as potential for success on the bar examination and in other professional endeavors. Applicants are encouraged to visit the School of Law website (<https://law.tamu.edu/prospective/admissions/>) for the most updated information concerning JD admission.

## Formal Application

Please submit the following as part of your entering JD application:

- Completed and signed electronic application form (available at LSAC.org (<http://www.lsac.org/>))

- \$65 non-refundable application fee for U.S. citizens and Permanent Resident applicants. \$90 non-refundable fee for international applicants.
- Personal statement not to exceed two double-spaced pages
- Résumé

Once your electronic application form has been submitted online, the Office of Admissions will automatically request an official copy of your CAS/LSAT report from LSAC. The following items must be a part of your report before it will be released to Texas A&M Law:

- A reportable LSAT or GRE score
- All post-secondary transcripts
- At least two letters of recommendation (LORs). No more than 3 LORs can be included in a CAS report for Texas A&M Law.

## Admissions Decisions

Texas A&M University School of Law accepts applications on a rolling basis. For applicants whose application files are complete by our priority deadline, February 1st, the Admissions Committee will make every effort to provide decision and tuition waiver information before the first traditional law school seat deposit deadline, April 1st.

We have a final deadline of July 1st. However, Texas A&M University School of Law can make no guarantees that seats and financial assistance will still be available at the latter point of the cycle. To maximize your chances of admission and consideration for tuition waivers, we encourage you to apply by our priority deadline. The admissions committee will give careful consideration to applications until the entering class is full.

In addition to considering traditional academic achievements and aptitude, the admissions committee will take into consideration evidence of achievement in various undertakings such as graduate study, employment, extracurricular activities and community service.

Texas A&M School of Law values diversity of persons and diversity of views and will consider factors such as socioeconomic background, status as a first generation college graduate, geographic residency, multilingualism, exposure to diverse cultural experiences, and any other consideration deemed necessary to accomplish its stated mission in the evaluation process.

Because of the high ethical standards to which lawyers are held, Texas A&M School of Law reserves the right to deny admission to any applicant who, in the judgment of the admissions committee, appears to be unfit in character to engage in the study or practice of law.

## Tuition Deposits

Upon notice of acceptance, applicants are required to pay a nonrefundable deposit to reserve a seat in the upcoming class. Deposits are credited toward tuition charges. In compliance with the statement of good admissions practices by the Law School Admission Council, no deposit is required before April 1. Admitted students will be notified of specific seat deposit deadlines. Failure to submit these deposits in a timely manner will result in revocation of the admission offer.

## International Students

Applicants who have received some or all of their post-secondary education in a foreign country must complete the standard application and submit all foreign transcripts through LSAC CAS. TOEFL reports demonstrating proficiency in English must also be submitted directly to

LSAC. More information on the application process may be found on our website.

## Transfer Students

Students who have satisfactorily completed a substantial portion of the traditional first year curriculum at an American Bar Association (ABA) accredited law school may apply for admission as advanced students. Information about admission and the transferring of credits from another ABA approved law school is available on the law school website.

## Visiting Students

Students in good standing at another law school may apply for admission as a visiting student. Students may visit for any semester or an entire academic year. The application procedures for visiting students may be found on the law school website.

## ML Admissions Process

The law school enrolls first-year ML students in the fall, spring and summer of each academic year. The law school requires that an applicant for admission must earn a Juris Doctor (JD) degree from an ABA-accredited law school prior to enrollment in the ML program. Foreign-educated lawyers must possess a degree equivalent to the Juris Doctor (JD). An applicant's prior academic record is an important criteria in evaluating his or her aptitude for legal study and other professional endeavors. Applicants are encouraged to visit our Master of Laws Admissions Process webpage (<https://www.law.tamu.edu/admissions-aid/how-to-apply/>) for the most updated information concerning ML admission.

## Formal Application

Please submit the following as part of your application:

- Completed and signed electronic application form (available at LSAC.org (<http://www.lsac.org/>))
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- Personal statement not to exceed two double-spaced pages
- Résumé

Once your electronic application form has been submitted online, the Office of Admissions will automatically request an official copy of your CAS/LSAT report from LSAC. The following items must be a part of your report before it will be released to Texas A&M Law:

- Post-secondary transcripts
- At least two letters of recommendation (LORs). No more than 3 LORs can be included in a CAS report for Texas A&M Law.

## Admissions Decisions

Texas A&M University School of Law accepts ML applications on a rolling basis.

In addition to considering traditional academic achievements and aptitude, the admissions committee will take into consideration evidence of achievement in various undertakings such as graduate study, employment, extracurricular activities and community service.

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## MLG Admissions Process

The law school enrolls MLG students in the fall, spring and summer of each academic year. The law school requires that an applicant for admission must earn a bachelor's degree from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the Department of Education prior to enrollment in the MLG program. Foreign-educated applicants must possess a degree equivalent to a United States baccalaureate. An applicant's prior academic record is an important criteria in evaluating his or her aptitude for legal study and other professional endeavors. Applicants are encouraged to visit our Admissions Process webpage (<https://www.law.tamu.edu/admissions-aid/how-to-apply/>) for the most updated information concerning MLG admission.

## Formal Application

Please submit the following as part of your application:

- Completed and signed electronic application form (available on the Master of Legal Studies Admission Process webpage (<https://www.law.tamu.edu/admissions-aid/how-to-apply/>))
- \$65 non-refundable application fee for United States citizens and Permanent Resident applicants. \$90 non-refundable fee for international applicants.
- Personal statement not to exceed two double-spaced pages
- Résumé
- Post-secondary transcripts
- Optional - At least two letters of recommendation (LORs). No more than 3 LORs can be included.

## Admissions Decisions

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