

Accelerated JD Program

Northwestern University School of Law
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Please type or print in ink.

Mr. Ms. Preferred name
Name Ms. Ms. Ms. Ms.
last first middle (in full)

Social Security number or LSAC number

Current Address Address valid until (date) _____

Number and street

City State Zip

E-mail (required for application updates and decision)

Daytime phone

area code Cell/mobile phone Fax

area code Evening phone *area code*

May we contact you during the day? No Yes

area code

Permanent Address

Number and street

City State Zip Phone

area code

Citizenship (required) Permanent U.S. resident but not a U.S. citizen Nonresident alien (list visa type)

Have you applied previously to Northwestern University School of Law? No Yes (date) What was the decision?

MM/DD/YYYY

Examinations

The LSAT or GMAT is required for admission. Only one exam will be considered for admission.

I wish the Admissions Committee to use the LSAT GMAT for review.

Have you taken the LSAT?

No, will take on (date) **Yes, on** (date) **Yes, will retake on** (date) **I will not take the LSAT**
MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY

Have you taken the GMAT?

No, will take on (date) **Yes, on** (date) **Yes, will retake on** (date) **I will not take the GMAT**
MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY

Names of parents or guardian(s)

Address of parents or guardian(s)

Please list the name, relationship, and class year of any family members who hold degrees from Northwestern University School of Law.

Are you or have you ever been enrolled in another law school? **No** **Yes** (If yes, explain reasons for withdrawal on a separate sheet.)

Have you ever been suspended, expelled, placed on probation, or otherwise disciplined by any college or university for academic or other reasons? **No** **Yes** (If yes, explain on a separate sheet.)

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? **No** **Yes** (If yes, explain on a separate sheet. Minor traffic violations may be omitted.)

Have you ever served in the military? **No** **Yes** If yes, were you honorably discharged? **No** **Yes** (If no, explain on a separate sheet.)

Are you applying for financial aid? **No** **Yes** If yes, you must file the FAFSA and institutional financial statements. See instructions.

If admitted, I authorize the Admissions Office to release my personal information to student organizations at the Law School that may wish to contact me. **No** **Yes**

Please list other schools and programs you are applying to

Optional Personal Data

Federal law requires institutions of higher education that receive federal assistance to report racial/ethnic enrollments. The information requested below will assist the Law School in meeting this requirement and will provide statistical data for the University.

United States citizens only:

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino?

- Yes**
- No**

In addition, please select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself

- American Indian/Alaskan Native**
- Asian**
- Black/African-American**
- Hispanic (not Chicano or Puerto Rican)**
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander**
- White**

Educational Background

Name of undergraduate degree-granting institution _____

City _____ State _____ Graduation date _____
MM/YYYY

List the official names of all colleges, universities, and other postsecondary institutions attended, including those attended for summer or evening classes.

Institution	Attendance dates MM/YYYY–MM/YYYY	Major	Degree awarded

Transcripts

Send only transcripts that are requested in the *LSAT/LSDAS Registration and Information Book* to LSAC. If not registering with LSAC, please send transcripts directly to Northwestern University School of Law.

Academic honors and awards received in college:

Extracurricular/community activities and business/professional organizations during and since college (*list from most to least significant*):

Activity/organization	Dates (<i>from/to</i>) MM/YY–MM/YY	Hours/week	Office(s) held, if any (<i>E = elected, A = appointed</i>)

Resume

Please attach a resume with your application.

Career Progress Evaluation

All recommenders **must** complete our Career Progress Evaluation Form. Only one Career Progress Evaluation form is required for application and must be sent directly to the Law School. Letters of Recommendation sent through the Law School Data Assembly Service (LSDAS) **will not be reviewed**.

Name of your recommender: _____

Title of your recommender: _____

Organization/Company: _____

Recommender's e-mail address: _____

Employment History

How much full-time work experience (*rounded to the nearest year and excluding summer employment/internships*) will you have at entrance? _____
years

Full- or part-time work since graduation from college:

Employer	Title	Dates (<i>from/to</i>) MM/YY–MM/YY	Hours/week	Reason for Leaving
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Summer employment while in college (*indicate what you did if you were not employed*):

Employer	Type of work	Dates (<i>from/to</i>) MM/YY–MM/YY	Hours/week
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What are your career interest(s) immediately after law school?

What are your long-term career goals?

Admissions Interview

Admissions interviews can be requested online at www.law.northwestern.edu/admissions/. An interview is required for Admission to the Accelerated JD Program. Checking this box does not constitute an interview request. If you complete an interview, your application will not be reviewed until your interview results are available.

If your plans regarding your interview change, you **must** notify The Office of Admissions.

- I had or have scheduled an interview for _____ (fill in the date).

Academic Concentration

JD students at Northwestern University School of Law may choose a general course of study or pursue a concentration. Concentrations require at least 16 credit hours of course work, leaving ample opportunity to explore other areas of the law. If you are considering an academic concentration, please indicate below which area interests you most (choose one). Note that indicating a concentration here is optional and does not obligate you to complete that concentration.

- Business enterprise
 Civil litigation and dispute resolution
 International law
 Law and social policy
 No preference at this time

Required Essays

Please complete all three required essay questions. Suggested word limits are in parenthesis. Please type your name and LSAC or Social Security number on the top of each page.

Essay 1: Leading practitioners throughout the world who participated in focus groups for Northwestern Law's "Plan 2008: Preparing Great Leaders for the Changing World" frequently highlighted the importance of strong project management skills for career success. Please describe the most significant project you have managed and any lessons you learned from that experience. (no more than 500 words)

Essay 2: You have been selected as a member of the Northwestern Law Admissions Committee. Please provide an evaluative assessment of your file (no more than 500 words)

Essay 3: Describe a situation in which you had to advocate for yourself, others, and/or a strongly held belief or idea. (no more than 500 words)

Optional Essays/Power Point Presentations

Although you are not required to, answering one or both of the following questions may provide you an opportunity to give the Admissions Committee relevant information that you were not able to include in the Required Essays. Whether you select Optional Essay 1, 2, or both, please limit each response to 250 words or 2 Power Point slides each. Slides may be sent directly to admissions@law.northwestern.edu.

Optional Essay 1: The students at Northwestern University School of Law come from many different backgrounds. Please describe an aspect of your background that you feel would allow you to contribute uniquely to the school and/or your classmates.

Optional Essay 2: Briefly discuss your specific interest in Northwestern University School of Law.

By signing this application or transmitting it electronically, I certify that the information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I will notify the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid promptly if any of this information changes. I understand that furnishing inaccurate or misleading information can result in denial of admission or dismissal from the Law School and will be reported to the Law School Admission Council's Committee on Misconduct and Irregularities.

Signature _____

Date _____

Print name here _____

Be sure to mail with your application or certification letter a check or money order for the \$100 application fee, payable to Northwestern University or pay via credit card electronically.