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In today's competitive world, law students soon discover that their support for one another is vital to their success. This is why Northwestern Law places a strong emphasis on fostering a collegial, noncompetitive environment, starting with our approach to the admissions process.

We consider many factors beyond test scores and grades when evaluating applicants. Our students reflect a broad range of experience and opinion. Historically, we have enjoyed the most geographically diverse student body in the country. Finally, because work and life experience is such an important factor in our admissions decisions, no other top law school can match the extensive real world perspectives that our students bring to the classroom.

We hope you will consider joining our community.

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## Interviewing at Northwestern Law

Here at Northwestern Law we strive to get a holistic understanding of our candidates, and one of our key tools to accomplish this is our interview process. We are the only law school in the country that makes interviewing available to all applicants, and we do encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity.

There are three interview formats available:

**On-Campus Interview:** With this option, you select an available interview time on our website and visit the Chicago campus to conduct your interview with either a member of the Student Admissions Committee or the Admissions team. While on campus, you may sit in on a class and participate in a student-led tour of the Law School. Submission of an application is not required prior to participation in an on-campus admissions interview.

*On-campus interviews are scheduled via the Northwestern Law website: [www.law.northwestern.edu/applicantinterviews](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/applicantinterviews)*

**Off-Campus Interview:** With this option, you conduct your interview with a member of our 700-person Alumni Admissions Association who lives and/or works near your metro location.

*Off-campus interview requests are submitted via your application to the Law School.*

## Dates to Remember

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| <b>September 1</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Application for admission filing period begins</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> On-campus interview requests open</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Online video interview registration opens</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Off-campus interview requests open</li></ul> |
| <b>December 1</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Deadline for receipt of completed Early Decision application</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Deadline to request off-campus interviews</li></ul>  |
| <b>February 15</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Deadline for receipt of completed JD, JD LLM Tax, JD LLM IHR applications</li></ul>  |
| <b>March 1</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Deadline for receipt of completed Two-Year JD application for international lawyers</li></ul>  |

**Online Video Interview:** If your schedule or location does not allow for either of the previous options, you may complete an interview through our online video interviewing program. Once you submit your JD application, the Admissions team will invite you to the online video portal. You will then have two weeks to complete your online video interview.

*Online video interview requests are submitted via your application to the Law School.*

The Admissions Committee weighs all interviews equally. We hope you will choose to interview and look forward to meeting you!

## Interview?

### On-campus

Request online at  
[www.law.northwestern.edu/applicantinterviews](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/applicantinterviews)

### Off-campus

Request through your  
Law School application

### Video

Request through your  
Law School application

## To apply or request a fee waiver:

[www.law.northwestern.edu/admissions/applying](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/admissions/applying)

# Class Profile: Entering 2018

## Entering Class General Statistics

We are pleased to welcome 245 new students who arrived at Northwestern Law in 2018. These students have enrolled in either the JD or the JD-MBA. Within these two programs combined, more than 97 percent were interviewed by an admissions staff member, an alumnus, or a current student through our unique admissions interviewing program.

*Class profile as of August 29, 2018*

**245**

**Enrolled**

**5319**

**Applications**

**57%**

**Female**

**28%**

**Students of Color**

**26**

**Average Age at Matriculation**

**20–53**

**Age Range**

LSAT Distribution

**169**

**Median**

**164–170**

**Middle 50%**

GPA Distribution

**3.84**

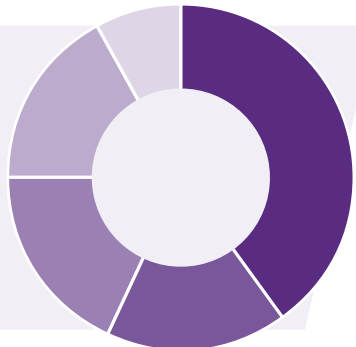
**Median**

**3.58–3.90**

**Middle 50%**

Geographic Diversity

■ Midwest	40%
■ Northeast	17%
■ West	18%
■ South	17%
■ International	8%



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# Application for Admission Checklist

JD, JD-LLM in International Human Rights, and JD-LLM in Taxation

## Required Application Materials

### □ APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

The application for admission should be completed in its entirety to the best of your ability.

### □ PERSONAL STATEMENT

The personal statement is your opportunity to introduce yourself to the Admissions Committee. You may discuss, among other topics, personal or professional goals, or your personal, academic, or career history.

### □ RESUME

The resume included in your Northwestern Law application should include professional, education, and leadership experiences you feel are relevant to and exemplify your candidacy.

### □ STANDARDIZED TEST RESULTS

Results from either the LSAT or GRE taken within the last 5 years.

### □ THE LAW SCHOOL CREDENTIAL ASSEMBLY SERVICE (CAS)

The Law School Credential Assembly Service (CAS) report contains a summary of your:

- Post-Secondary Transcript(s),
- Results of the Law School Admission Test (LSAT),
- At least one Letter of Recommendation or Evaluation

### □ APPLICATION FEE

A non-refundable application fee of \$75 to submit your application.

## Optional Application Materials

### □ EVALUATIVE INTERVIEW

Interviews provide the Admissions Committee with additional information about your communication skills, maturity, and motivation. Admissions interviews are optional but are strongly encouraged.

### □ OPTIONAL ESSAY

The optional essay is your opportunity to give the Admissions Committee additional information that you may not be able to incorporate into your personal statement. The topic for the optional essay is located in the Application for Admission.

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