



Pre-Law

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

Pre-Law Advising Office

Our pre-law advisor will help you every step of the way, no matter your major or the law school of your choice. Each interaction is tailored to you, so no two meetings or services are the same.

YOU'LL RECEIVE

- ▶ Assistance with selection of major/minor
- ▶ Recommendations of courses to prepare for the LSAT and law school
- ▶ Suggestion of a timeline to apply to law school, including how and when to study for the LSAT, when to take the LSAT, and when to prepare all documents for admission
- ▶ Notice of pre-law events and opportunities on and near campus
- ▶ Coordination of panel discussions with law school admissions representatives
- ▶ Guidance in researching law school options
- ▶ Answers to questions related to a law career
- ▶ Advising for the accelerated (3+3) law program with UM Law School
- ▶ Feedback on your personal statement
- ▶ Help with the application process on the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) website



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS TO BUILD EXPERTISE

Mock Trial *competitive simulation of court trials*

Forensics Team *competitive debate team*

Ethics Bowl *competitive ethics debate team*

Model UN *international relations and debate-based simulation*

Associated Student Body *student government*

Any group where you

- work with others towards a common goal
- achieve leadership position

What is the best undergraduate major for law school?

This is up to you.

- ▶ Your personal interests and academic strengths
- ▶ The kind of law that interests you
- ▶ The law schools you are considering
- ▶ The kind of legal career and life you envision for yourself

WHAT DOES THE NATIONAL DATA SHOW?

The Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) provides data about all students who apply to an American Bar Association-approved law school.

Major	Mean Highest LSAT	Median GPA	Number of Applicants	Percent of Total Applicants	Percent of Applicants Admitted
Economics	158.99	3.49	2,757	4.13%	86.07%
International Studies	157.32	3.58	725	1.09%	85.79%
History	156.27	3.47	3,138	4.70%	84.67%
Philosophy	157.21	3.44	2,238	3.36%	83.02%
International Relations	156.77	3.51	1,104	1.66%	82.88%
Finance	154.96	3.39	1,471	2.21%	82.73%
English	154.78	3.44	3,151	4.72%	81.37%
Journalism	153.72	3.47	713	1.07%	81.35%
Political Science	153.62	3.4	11,947	17.91%	80.46%
Spanish	154.03	3.52	874	1.31%	79.29%
Biology	154.25	3.2	746	1.12%	79.22%
Accounting	153.3	3.43	919	1.38%	78.24%
Psychology	152.53	3.36	3,736	5.60%	76.71%
Marketing	151.29	3.26	1,002	1.50%	76.55%
Criminology	149.43	3.3	934	1.40%	73.77%
Communications	150.83	3.34	1,838	2.76%	73.45%
Sociology	150.59	3.3	1,870	2.80%	70.96%
Business Management	150.3	3.26	986	1.48%	69.88%
Business Administration	149.32	3.21	1,489	2.23%	65.82%
Criminal Justice	145.87	3.23	3,629	5.44%	61.17%

Choose a highly rigorous major because law school requires making sense of dense reading, logic and intense critical thinking skills, and highly developed oral and written communication skills. Students need to understand the historical and social context of a variety of issues in the legal system. Not all majors develop these to the same level. Select an undergraduate path that interests and challenges you.



Accelerated Law Program with UM School of Law

Students in the following majors are eligible for the accelerated law (3+3) program with the University of Mississippi School of Law. If accepted to law school, students then skip the senior year and enter law school one year earlier.

College of Liberal Arts—Any BA or BS degree

- ▶ African American Studies
- ▶ Allied Health Studies
- ▶ Anthropology
- ▶ Arabic
- ▶ Art
- ▶ Art History
- ▶ Biological Science
- ▶ Biochemistry
- ▶ Chemistry
- ▶ Chinese
- ▶ Classics
- ▶ Computer Science
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ English
- ▶ French
- ▶ German
- ▶ History
- ▶ Interdisciplinary Studies
- ▶ International Studies
- ▶ Linguistics
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Music
- ▶ Philosophy
- ▶ Physics
- ▶ Political Science
- ▶ Psychology
- ▶ Public Policy Leadership
- ▶ Sociology
- ▶ Spanish
- ▶ Southern Studies
- ▶ Theatre Arts

School of Applied Sciences

- ▶ Law Studies

School of Engineering

- ▶ General Engineering

School of Business Administration

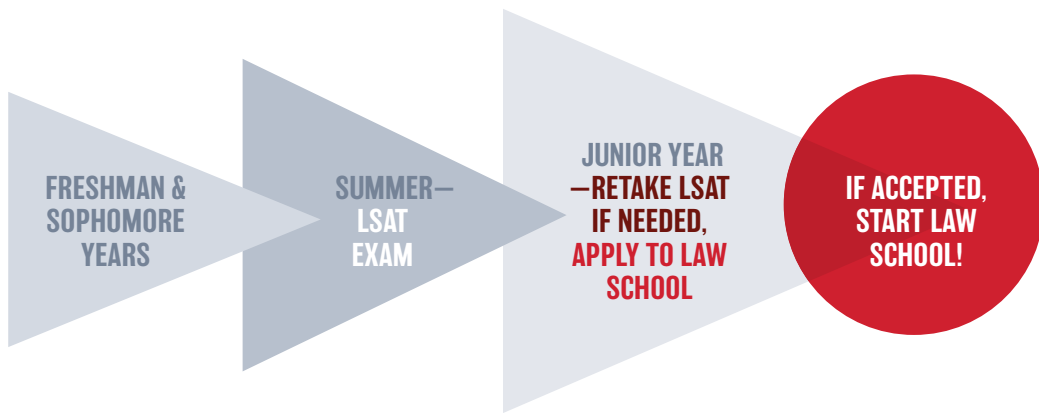
- ▶ General Business

School of Journalism

- ▶ Journalism
- ▶ Integrated Marketing Communications

THE SEQUENCE:

By working closely with the pre-law academic advisor for the major, students carefully plan the first three years of coursework. Students take the LSAT in the summer after the sophomore year and apply to law school during the junior year. If accepted, students begin the first year of law school instead of the senior year of the undergraduate degree.



ADVANTAGES:

- ▶ Students receive undergraduate and JD degrees in 6 years instead of 7
- ▶ Students experience tuition savings and enter the workforce sooner







UM law students may participate in three advocacy programs—Moot Court, Trial Advocacy Board, and Negotiation Board. Together they have won **15** world or national championships in **5** years.

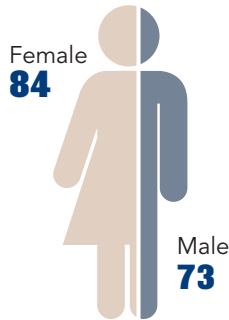
University of Mississippi First Year Law School Facts for the Class of 2022

LSAT Median: **155**

GPA Median: **3.48**

Number of First Year Students: **157**

Minority: **30%**



TUITION

Mississippi Resident Tuition: **\$16,870** per year

Non-Mississippi Resident Tuition: **\$36,935** per year

Bar passage rate: **82.57%**

NATIONAL RANKINGS

In the last few years, *The National Jurist Magazine* ranked UM School of Law

in the top 50 based on post-graduate success, student satisfaction, affordability, and diversity

#16 in Moot Court programs

#22 in Best Value

ACADEMIC CONCENTRATIONS OF LAW STUDY

- ▶ Air and Space Law
- ▶ Business Law
- ▶ Criminal Law
- ▶ Sports and Entertainment Law



for further information

The Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education rated the University of Mississippi as an R1 doctoral university with the highest research activity status, putting us in the top 2.5% of doctoral universities in the nation. High caliber faculty and students make the university a vibrant community where students are challenged and engaged.

We are located 70 miles from Memphis in Oxford, Mississippi, home of William Faulkner's Rowan Oak, the best bookstore in the South, an active music scene, and great restaurants. Consistently listed as one of the best small towns in America, Oxford is one of the "Top Six College Towns in the Nation" according to *USA Today*. Come see why.

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