



Brooklyn Law School
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Instructions and General Information for Applying for Admission

All applications must be submitted electronically via www.lsac.org.

OVERVIEW

Applicants may apply for fall admission to Brooklyn Law School's standard 3-year (full-time) J.D. program or the 4-year evening (part-time) program. Visit [our website](#) for details on the J.D. curriculum, extracurricular opportunities, and Brooklyn Law School's role in the broader community.

These instructions apply to all J.D. applicants, including transfers, visitors, and nonmatriculants. Please use your legal name consistently, notify us of any changes to your contact information, and include your LSAC account number on all correspondence.

Brooklyn Law School reserves the right to revoke admission or dismiss a matriculated student if any information provided, including in the application, essays, correspondence, or other documents, is found to be (1) false, misleading, or inaccurate; (2) plagiarized or not the applicant's original work; or (3) generated with assistance from automated intelligence tools.

Applicants are responsible for informing the Office of Admissions of any material changes to their application prior to the start of classes.

1. Application

Submit the completed application electronically via [LSAC](#). Paper applications are not accepted. There is no application fee. Whenever possible, submit official documents through LSAC's Credential Assembly Service (CAS) or via email to admitq@brooklaw.edu.

2. Methods of Application

Academic Excellence Early Decision (Binding)

Applicants who consider Brooklyn Law School their top choice may apply by December 1 under our binding Early Decision program. Early Decision applicants must take the LSAT no later than the November administration.

Admitted students will receive, at a minimum, the renewable Prince Scholarship, typically covering ~70% of tuition. They may also qualify for additional scholarships and grants.

Early Decision applicants may apply to other law schools but may not apply to other binding programs. If admitted, they must withdraw all pending applications and refrain from submitting new ones.

To apply, select the Early Decision option in the application and submit the signed [Early Decision Agreement form](#).

Regular

Admission

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. To receive priority consideration, submit a complete application by February 1. Required materials:

- Completed LSAC application
 - CAS report
 - Minimum two letters of recommendation
 - Current résumé
 - Personal statement
 - Dean's Certification Form, if required
 - Optional supplemental statements
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3. LSAT / GRE

Applicants must take either the LSAT or GRE. We accept scores from tests administered within the past five years. It is strongly recommended that applicants take the LSAT by February, though later scores may be considered if space remains.

All LSAT scores must be submitted. If submitting a GRE score, you must provide all GRE scores from the last five years. Failure to disclose prior GRE scores may result in rescinded offers.

Applicants submitting only GRE scores must obtain a waiver from LSAC to transmit the CAS report. This waiver will be automatically issued if your application indicates you are submitting GRE scores and not taking the LSAT. GRE scores must be sent to Brooklyn Law School directly by ETS (code: 2690).

4. Credential Assembly Service (CAS)

All applicants must register for CAS at www.lsac.org. CAS standardizes and transmits transcripts and other academic information to law schools. It is your responsibility to ensure all transcripts are submitted to LSAC.

5. Letters of Recommendation

Two letters are required; up to four may be submitted. Applicants currently or recently in school should provide at least one academic letter. Those out of school may submit professional references, though academic letters are preferred.

Letters should be submitted via CAS. Alternatively, recommenders may email them directly to the Office of Admissions using the [Brooklyn Law School Recommendation Form](#).

6. Personal Statement & Other Submissions

Applicants must submit a 2–3 page, double-spaced personal statement. It should provide insight into your motivations, values, interests, and experiences—not repeat your résumé.

Applicants may also submit:

- An optional lived experience statement (addressing how your background may contribute to our community).
- Short addenda explaining aspects of the application (e.g., test scores, grades).

All written submissions must be original and created without assistance from AI tools.

7. Admissions Interviews

We do not offer evaluative interviews. Prospective students are welcome to visit campus for informational sessions and tours. [Visit our website](#) for virtual and in-person visit options.

8. Dean's Certification Form

A [Dean's Certification form](#) is required for applicants with disciplinary or academic sanctions. Please request the relevant institution email the completed form directly to admitq@brooklaw.edu.

9. International Student Questionnaire

Non-U.S. citizens or permanent residents must complete the [International Student Questionnaire](#). Enrollment is contingent upon proof of sufficient financial resources. Refer to [our website](#) for the most up-to-date cost estimates.

10. Reapplication

Application files are retained for three years. Reapplicants must submit a new application form and Credential Assembly Report. Prior personal statements and recommendation letters may be reused, but updated materials (e.g., résumé, letters) are encouraged.

11. Transfer Applicants

Fall transfer applications are due by August 1. For early action (before May 1), apply once fall grades are released. Early offers are conditional on continued academic performance.

Transfer applicants must submit:

- All items required of first-year applicants
 - Official law school transcript (including spring grades)
 - Statement of interest
 - Letter of good standing from prior law school
 - CAS Law School Report (newly issued)
 - Two letters of recommendation (law school faculty preferred)
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12. Nonmatriculants

Visiting Students: Must be in good standing at an ABA-accredited law school. Submit:

- Application
- Statement of purpose
- Law school transcript
- Letter of good standing and permission from home law school

Special Nonmatriculants: Must hold a J.D. or LL.M. from an ABA-accredited, AALS-member school. Submit:

- Application
 - Statement of purpose
 - Official law school transcript with degree and conferral date
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13. Housing

[Feil Hall](#) provides affordable, convenient housing near campus. All admitted students who submit a housing application, seat deposit, and housing deposit by April 15 will be guaranteed housing for the first year. Later applicants may join a waitlist.

14. Financial Aid

We offer merit scholarships, need-based grants, and federal loans. Complete the FAFSA after January 1. Admitted students may apply for BLS Need-Based Grants. Contact our [Financial Aid Office](#) with questions.

15. Tuition

Tuition is charged per semester and varies by program length (3-year vs. 4-year). Standard tuition covers 88 credits (85 required for graduation plus 3 free).

Current tuition rates are posted [here](#).

16. Selection Criteria

We seek applicants with strong academic ability and personal qualities such as perseverance, leadership, and integrity. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and hold (or expect to hold) a bachelor's degree from an institution recognized by the New York State Education Department.

17. Withdrawal and Deferral

Applicants should inform the Office of Admissions of any change in enrollment plans as soon as possible. All withdrawal and deferral requests must be made in writing and submitted to admitq@brooklaw.edu.

An admitted student may request a deferral if they are unable to begin in their original application cycle. Applicants must include a clear explanation of the reason for the deferral. If approved, the student is guaranteed readmission for the following year and is not required to submit a new application. The student must also make a timely deposit securing their seat.

Please note that scholarship awards are not guaranteed for deferred students and are subject to re-evaluation. Admitted waitlist applicants are not eligible for deferral consideration. Deferrals are typically not granted after July 15 of the matriculating year.

18. Character and Fitness

In addition to passing a bar exam, each state requires applicants to meet character and fitness standards. These may include disclosure of past arrests or disciplinary actions. Brooklyn Law School does not require disclosure of arrest records in its application, but you may wish to disclose them proactively after admission to avoid delays in bar admission.

Admission to BLS does not guarantee eligibility for bar admission. For jurisdiction-specific guidance, contact the appropriate Committee on Character and Fitness or Bar Examiners. In New York, such inquiries may be made only after admission to law school.