

Industry Guide

Overview

Lawyers are analytical problem-solvers who are experts at writing and research, can foresee consequences of actions and language choices, and advocate strongly for their clients, whether in the public or private sector. Students interested in law can major in any discipline in the College, and they will be well prepared to matriculate into law school directly after graduation. Our law school acceptance rate is 90%, and 69% of our applicants are admitted to T20 law schools.

EXPERT SUPPORT

Our Careers in Law team is excited to support your journey to a career in law. We can help you explore your interest in law, find a great internship, and prepare a successful application.

- **Priya Laroia JD'04** loves supporting students and alumni on their journeys to finding fulfilling careers in the legal field. She earned her bachelor's degree from Northwestern and JD from UChicago Law and has worked extensively in the non-profit sector and in both secondary and higher education.
- Ben Morris-Levenson, AB'11, JD has experience working in corporate litigation and in the government at both local and federal levels. He received his bachelor's degree in political science from the College and his JD from Harvard Law School.
- Sign-up for the <u>Careers in Law Newsletter</u> and make an appointment to <u>meet with Priya or Ben today!</u>

GET EXPERIENCE

Whether you're committed to the field or still exploring, UChicago can help you deepen your understanding of the ways you can make an impact with a career in law!

- Job shadow with an alum working in corporate, government, or public interest law.
- Attend the Practice Ready Panel Series to learn about creative ways to apply legal skills in diverse areas.
- Meet with law schools on campus to learn more about law school admissions!
- Apply for a <u>Law Trek</u> to to Seoul, South Korea and Washington, DC to network with legal employers.
- Join the <u>Rising Attorneys Program.</u> Benefits include a free LSAT prep course, a mentor currently working in the legal field, LSAT registration reimbursement, and access to presentations and programs.
- Apply for the <u>Law & Politics Track</u> if you are interested in attending law school to launch a career in politics.
 Students receive specialized advising, mentorship from professionals in the field, and targeted programming.
- Apply for the <u>Legal Research & Writing Seminar</u> to jump start your knowledge of legal resources, research techniques, and legal memo writing!
- Explore the <u>Jeff Metcalf Internship Program</u> to find substantive, paid internships around the world with UChicago employer partners such as Sidley Austin, LLP and the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office.

APPLICATION RESOURCES

The Law Applicant Support Series (LASS) provides personalized, comprehensive support for all aspects of the application process:

- Law schools consider **undergraduate GPA** when evaluating your application and recognize that UChicago offers a rigorous curriculum. Because law schools don't prefer certain majors, you should pursue the major that interests you. Careers in Law advisers can share **detailed statistics** about law school admissions outcomes for individual law schools based on major, GPA, and other factors.
- Law schools typically require at least two academic **letters of recommendation**—from faculty who know you and your intellectual and analytical abilities. We can help you choose the best letters to show case your strengths and preparation.
- LSAT, the primary standardized test required by most law schools, is offered about ten times a year. You should begin LSAT prep at least three months in advance, using resources like free materials from <u>LSAC</u>.
 UChicago also partners with Blueprint to provide <u>discounted access to Blueprint's LSAT prep courses</u>.
 Schedule your <u>first LSAT exam attempt in February and your last attempt by October</u> so that your application will be complete by November.
- Personal Statements and Supplemental Essays are opportunities to share the motivations, values, and
 experiences that inform your decision to pursue law. We offer unlimited statement reviews to help you take
 advantage of this important part of the application.
- Your law school resume allows law schools the opportunity to see how you spend your time outside the classroom. Let us help you highlight the impact of your internships, leadership, service, and campus involvement.
- We can also help with school lists, application timelines, negotiating offers and aid, and more!



CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY AT UCHICAGO

Remain part of the UChicago community for law school.

• The <u>Chicago Law Scholars Program (CLS)</u> is an early decision opportunity to attend the UChicago Law School available only to alumni of the College and to current fourth-year students, and includes a merit scholarship of at least \$150,000.

EVENTS

General Events

- Sept. 29 | Fall Career Fair
- Sept. 30 | Meet the UChicago Champions
- Sept. 30 | UChicago Grad Programs Fair (4+1)
- Oct. 9 | Careers in Law Kick-Off Event
- Oct. 16 | In Brief: Legal Speakers Series
- Oct. 20 | Exploring Future Careers
- Oct. 28 | Practice Ready: Exploring Legal Careers
- Nov. 3 | UChicago Law Mentorship Reception
- Dec. 15-19 | Winter Break Trek to Seoul, South Korea
- Dec. 15-19 | Winter Break Job Shadowing
- Jan. 12 | How to Get a Legal Internship
- Jan. 20 | Work Experience Before Law School Panel
- Jan. 28 | Resume Workshop
- Feb. 10 | Internships & Jobs Applications & Appetizers
- Mar. 16-20 | Spring Break Trek to Washington, DC
- Mar. 16-20 | Spring Break Job Shadowing
- Mar. 24-Apr. 22 | Legal Writing & Research Seminar
- Mar. 31 | Networking at your Legal Internship

Law School Application Events & Workshops

- Oct. 21 | Law School Applications & Appetizers
- Mar. 30 | Law School Applications 101
- Apr. 6 | LASS 2027 Welcome Event
- May 4 | Personal Statements
- May 11 | Supplemental Essays
- May 18 | Resumes
- May 25 | Letters of Recommendation

Law School Visits

- Oct. 6 | UCLA/UTAustin/GW/Cornell Law
- Oct. 7 | Duke/Northwestern/USC/Vanderbilt Law
- Oct. 8 | Yale Law
- Oct. 15 | UChicago Law
- Oct. 22 | Harvard Law

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Fall Quarter

- Oct. 13 | Winter Break Treks
- Nov. 3 | Fall Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs
- Nov. 10 | Winter Break Job Shadowing

Winter Quarter

- Jan. 12 | Winter Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs
- Jan. 20 | Spring Break Treks
- Feb. 17 | Spring Break Job Shadowing
- Mar. 8 | Legal Writing and Research Seminar

Spring Quarter

- Apr. 13 | Spring Application Cycle for 4+1 Master's Programs
- Apr. 15 | Selective Career Cohorts including Rising Attorneys and Law & Politics

Kayla Reubenstein AB'25



Law Student at University of Chicago Law School Major: Law, Letters & Society Internships: Broward County Public Defender's Office, CARPLS, Corporate Accountability Lab Activities: Hyde Park Refugee Project, The Chicago Maroon, UChicago Undergraduate Law Magazine



Samantha Taylor, AB'25

Law Student at Stanford Law School Major: Public Policy

Internships: Bet Tzedek, Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, The Policing Project Activities: Delta Sigma Theta, Organization of Black Students