J.D. APPLICATION PROCESS AT TULANE LAW SCHOOL

Timing
October 15 We begin processing applications
November 15 We begin reviewing applications
December 15 We begin announcing admission and merit-based scholarship decisions

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• We encourage submission of up to three letters of recommendation or evaluations from individuals who know you and your capabilities very well.
• Deferring admission: candidates offered admission who wish to defer their enrollment may be permitted to do so, subject to specified procedures.

SCHOLARSHIPS
All applicants for admission receive consideration for scholarship awards. Almost all scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit factors. At least 75 percent of the members of each incoming class are awarded scholarships; the average scholarship is approximately $30,000 per year. Scholarship awards are renewable for a second and third year of law school so long as the student continues to make satisfactory academic progress.

LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LRAP)
Tulane offers its own Loan Repayment Assistance Program to eligible graduates employed by qualifying public interest organizations. In addition, graduates employed by certain Louisiana government agencies are eligible for loan repayment assistance through two Louisiana grant-making organizations. These programs can enhance assistance offered under the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF).

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
In order to be eligible to receive the JD, students must complete 88 credits with a GPA of 2.0 or higher. All students must in addition complete (a) 50 hours of pro bono work; (b) an upper level writing project, supervised by a member of the faculty through a seminar, clinic, or directed research project; and (c) the professional skills requirement.

First year program
Fall Semester: Civil Procedure, Contracts I, Criminal Law, Torts
Spring Semester: Constitutional Law I, Contracts II or Obligations I, Property (common law or civil law)
Year-Long: Legal Research & Writing

Upper Level Program
Over 100 elective offerings are available each year. Students design their own courses of study according to their interests and may complete the requirements for a specialty certificate if they so desire. Students must take Legal Profession prior to graduation.

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GEOGRAPHIC PROFILE

Tulane Law School is in the center of the university’s main campus, in the heart of uptown New Orleans. The campus faces picturesque St. Charles Avenue, in a neighborhood of historic homes, shops and restaurants. Across the avenue is the nation’s oldest operating streetcar line, connecting the uptown and downtown areas, and Audubon Park, which has jogging and bike paths, a golf course and one of the country’s finest zoos.

You’ll find yourself in a new world of possibilities.

Tulane is situated in one of the world’s most interesting locales. New Orleans is the largest city in Louisiana and houses a major international port, making it a center for admiralty law and international trade. It is a cultural hub, an innovator for political, environmental, and social change and a wealth of legal resources. And it’s one of the richest places in the world to study law.

New Orleans also represents a social jigsaw—a unique blend of individuals and cultures from across the globe. The city has been called the Crescent City, Abyssinians and the Southern outpost of the Caribbean. Tulane New Orleans exists somewhere between these identities, with an astounding mixture of cultures and backgrounds scattered all over campus, art, music, entertainment, and food. Tulane Law and the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival are only two of the city’s many international attractions but also celebrations of the city’s unique way of life. New Orleans never fails to surprise and always offers something new to discover. A local New Orleanian describes it best—“something more.”

LEARN MORE: law.tulane.edu/students/new-orleans-living

PUBLICATIONS - STUDENT-EDITED

Sports Lawyers Journal
Tulane Maritime Law Journal
Tulane Law Review
Tulane Journal of Technology & Intellectual Property
Tulane Journal of Law & Sexuality

CENTERS

Center for Energy Law
Public Law Center
Center for Intellectual Property Law & Culture

STUDY ABROAD (2022 DESTINATIONS)

Summer Abroad Programs in England, France, Germany, Greeks, and Italy.
Seemister Exchange Programs in Argentina, Australia, Colombia, China, Denmark, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, Israel, Japan, Mexico, The Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland.

ADMISSIONS PROFILE

Applications received/ admitted 1863/807
First-year class size 221
% students of color 33%
% women 55%
US jurisdictions represented in class 36
Median age of incoming students 23 years
25th/median/75th percentile LSAT scores 157/161/163
25th/median/75th percentile GPAs 3.42/3.63/3.76

CLINICAL PROGRAM

Common Law Property and Contracts I and II. All students have the option to take classes in Common Law Property and Obligations I, and 80% take about 20% of students choose to take Civil Law courses in order to prepare themselves for the legal system that is in effect in the other 80% of the world—the civil law system. We encourage our students to take one or more civil law courses in order to prepare themselves to be productive in the global economy. At Tulane, we offer the same traditional common law, federal, and statutory courses you will find at any other national law school in the United States. Most of our students take these courses and then go on to practice law throughout the US after graduation.

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