



2017-2018 First-Year Application for the Full-Time Juris Doctor Program

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General Information

- Please send financial aid information. Please consider me for the Miami Public Interest Scholars Program (complete Supplemental Form)

I am also interested in the following joint degree program:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MD (Medicine) | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MPS (Marine Affairs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/PhD (Environmental Science) | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MPA (Public Administration) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MA (Communication) | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MPH (Public Health) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MA (Latin American Studies) | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MS Ed (Education) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MA (Presenting&Entertainment) | <input type="checkbox"/> Triple JD/MBA/LLM in Estate Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MBA (Business) | <input type="checkbox"/> Triple JD/MBA/LLM in Real Property |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Joint JD/MM (Music) | <input type="checkbox"/> Triple JD/MBA/LLM in Taxation |

Have you previously applied for admission to the University of Miami School of Law? Yes No

If yes: My previous application was for (mm/yyyy) _____ The decision was _____

I applied under the name of _____

Please state date(s) on which the LSAT was taken, and score(s):

_____ (mm) _____ (yyyy) _____ (score)

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Biographical Information

Social Security number: _____ - _____ - _____ LSAC account number: L- _____
(if available)

Name: _____
(Mr., Ms., voluntary) Last name First name Middle initial

Any other name under which your documents may be received: _____

Current Mailing Address: _____
Apt. # Number and street

City State (2 letter abbrev.) Zip Code

Current telephone number (include area code): _____ - _____ - _____ Cell number: _____ - _____ - _____

I may be reached at this address and telephone number until _____ / _____ / _____
mm/dd/yyyy

E-mail address for official means of communication: _____

May we contact you at work: Yes No If yes: _____
(Area code) Number

Permanent Address: _____
Apt. # Number and street

City State (U.S. only) Zip Code
(2 letter abbrev.)

Permanent telephone number (include area code): _____ - _____ - _____

The following race/ethnic background information is voluntary.

Colleges and Universities are asked by many, including the Federal government, college guides, newspapers, and within our own UM community, to describe the racial/ethnic backgrounds of our students. In order to respond to these requests, we ask you to answer the following two questions:

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino:

- Yes
- No

If yes, which best describes your Hispanic background (select only one):

- Central America
- Cuba
- Mexico
- Puerto Rico
- South America
- Spain
- Other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino

In addition, select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White

What is your native language? _____
(Please see *First-Year Applicant Instructions*)

Place of birth: _____
City State/Province Country

Country of citizenship: _____

If you are not a U.S. citizen, but are a U.S. resident, what is your Alien Registration Number: _____

If you are not a U.S. citizen, but are a U.S. resident, do you have a U.S. visa? Yes No

If yes, what type? _____

When does the visa expire? _____ (mm) _____ (yyyy)

What do you consider your home state if other than your permanent address? _____
State (U.S. only)
2 (letter abbrev.)

Date of birth: ____ / ____ / _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

**Educational
Background**

Please list below, beginning with your bachelor’s degree granting institution, **all** colleges (including junior colleges), universities and professional schools that you have attended. (Use an additional sheet or electronic attachment, if necessary.) This list should include, but not be limited to: credit and non-credit courses from your undergraduate program; any work undertaken at the graduate or professional level; courses taken during summer sessions; and college level courses taken while in high school. All applicants must subscribe to and submit **all** undergraduate transcripts to LSAC’s Credential Assembly Service (CAS). Applicants with a foreign undergraduate degree or a law degree from an accredited foreign law school must also subscribe to the CAS Authentication and Evaluation Feature (excluding Canadian degrees). Questions about CAS should be directed to LSAC at lsacinfo@lsac.org.

College/University	City/State	Dates Attended mm/yy to mm/yy	Degree type and Date Received or Anticipated mm/yy	GPA
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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1. Please describe the program of study you pursued as an undergraduate (and as a graduate student, if applicable), and state why you selected the program(s).

2. Have you ever attended another law school(s) (including summer conditional programs)? Please enter your “Yes” or “No” response: _____ If your answer is “yes,” please list the name and address of the law school(s), dates attended, and the reason for leaving.

3. Please list your academic honors and significant extracurricular activities. Include foreign language proficiencies.

4. Effective writing is an essential tool of lawyers. Please list all significant writing experiences including course term papers, independent research and writing projects, theses, and dissertations you prepared as part of your education, articles, books and reports you have authored, or work as a journalist or editor.

5. The Committee may consider favorably the fact that an applicant has overcome obstacles. This information is being requested strictly on a voluntary basis, will be kept confidential, refusal to provide it will not subject you to any adverse treatment, and the information requested is intended for use solely in connection with the University of Miami Law School's voluntary action efforts. If you would like, please explain any such situation (e.g. English is not your native language, discrimination, economic hardship, severe medical condition, etc.) that you would like the Committee to consider.

6. Please describe all full-time, part-time or temporary work experience you believe would help the Committee evaluate your background. If you wish, you may attach a résumé.

Recommendations

You are required to submit two letters of recommendation and are encouraged to submit them through the LSAC Evaluation Service. Applicants choosing to have their recommendations forwarded directly to the Law School should mail their letters to: University of Miami School of Law, Office of Admissions, PO Box 248087, Coral Gables, FL 33124-8087.

**Additional
Information**

1. Have you ever been dropped, suspended, warned, placed on academic or disciplinary probation, disciplined, academically dismissed, expelled, requested or required to withdraw, or otherwise sanctioned by any post-secondary school, college, university, professional school, law school, or other educational institution? This question necessitates disclosure of all warnings and sanctions imposed as a result of violation of any rules in university dormitories and off-campus housing. Incidents that are pending must also be disclosed. You are required to update your application to the School of Law when the pending matter is resolved.

_____ **Please enter a “Yes” or “No” response. If the answer is yes, include an explanation statement fully disclosing all incidents.**

2. Have you ever been charged with a crime resulting in conviction, probation, community service, withhold of adjudication, pre-trial diversion, jail sentence or revocation/suspension of your driver’s license? This requires disclosure of all traffic offenses for which the penalty was a fine actually paid of \$200 or more. If you are unsure whether to answer yes, we strongly recommend answering yes and fully disclosing all incidents. By doing so, you can avoid the risk of disciplinary action and/or revocation of an admission offer and can minimize the investigations conducted by the applicable Board of Bar Examiners. In keeping with regulations for admission to the Bar, you are required to answer this question completely, irrespective of any statute, administrative rule, court order or legal or administrative proceeding expunging or sealing the information required herein from any record or purporting to authorize any person to deny the existence of such matters, and irrespective of any advice from any source, including legal counsel, that such information need not be disclosed. Incidents that are pending must also be disclosed. You are required to update your application to the School of Law when the pending matter is resolved.

_____ **Please enter a “Yes” or “No” response. If the answer is yes, include an explanation statement fully disclosing all incidents.**

3. Has any close relative received a degree from the University of Miami School of Law? Yes No

If your answer is yes, please list name(s), relationship(s), and year(s) of graduation. May we contact these relatives regarding your application? Yes No

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Year: _____ Telephone: _____

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4. Please indicate all areas of interest, including if you have had any experience with the following service/advocacy groups.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AmeriCorps | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law | <input type="checkbox"/> International Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor/Employment Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peace Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> Estate Planning Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Litigation Skills/Clinical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teach for America | <input type="checkbox"/> Family and Juvenile | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Interest Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Public Service Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Feminist Legal Theory | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate/Land Use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports and Entertainment Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business and Tax Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigration Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Advocacy/Litigation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Advocacy Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Area of Interest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constitutional Law | | |

If your answer was *Other Area of Interest*, please specify additional public service organizations or areas of interest below.

Personal
Statement

5. You are encouraged to attach a personal statement containing information about yourself, such as standardized test history, if relevant, work experience, interest in the law, or unique circumstances. This information will be used by the Admissions Committee in reaching a decision on your application. While review by others is acceptable, this statement should be written by you alone.

Miami
Public Interest
Scholars Program

6. You are encouraged to submit the Miami Public Interest Scholars Program Supplemental Form if you have an interest in public service.
7. By signing this application, I certify that all the above and supplementary information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I agree to notify the Office of Admissions of any significant changes that might affect the accuracy or completeness of the information in my application or my eligibility for consideration as a prospective student. I understand that failure to respond fully and accurately to the questions contained herein, or to inform the Office of Admissions of any significant changes, may result in denial of my admission, expulsion, revocation of my degree, or other action. I further understand that the School of Law may report to LSAC for investigation any instance of material misrepresentation in the application process, and that the results of such investigation may be forwarded by LSAC/Credential Assembly Service to any law schools to which I have applied, decide to apply to in the future, or am currently enrolled.

Signature

Date: _____ Signature: _____
 MM/DD/YYYY

This application must be accompanied with a nonrefundable \$60 application fee, payable to the University of Miami.