

LawReady™

# Participating Law Schools



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LSAC's LawReady is a bold undergraduate initiative designed to offer a new, holistic pathway to law school. LawReady helps students develop and demonstrate mastery of the skills necessary for success in law school. LawReady also provides a better understanding of the legal profession and law school experience, tools for mastering the application process, and strong support networks to help students throughout their legal education journeys. Building on LSAC's years of experience in supporting law schools and students with a range of assessment tools, educational resources, and candidate recruitment programs, LawReady will attract even more individuals to consider law and address many of the challenges and barriers that prospective students face.

Students who pursue LawReady will take academic courses aligned to the requisite skills and abilities for law school readiness which will count toward their major and graduation requirements. They will receive support for exploring different pathways to law and justice careers through internships, experiences, and activities, as well as support for applying to and preparing for law school. Students will develop a sense of belonging within the legal profession as they receive community support through study groups, mentors, and cohorts. The program will culminate with a portfolio of work and Legal Education Certificate that can be submitted to law schools to which students are applying.

## The Advantages to Law Schools

LSAC's LawReady will expand the pool of qualified law school aspirants by helping them build and develop the skills they need to succeed once they're in law school. In addition to equipping more students with the skills and support needed to pursue legal education, we believe LSAC's LawReady will provide a valid and reliable alternative to the LSAT for law school admission in the future. LawReady will be equally valuable and useful in determining the likelihood that a student will successfully complete the first year of law school.

While studies consistently show that the LSAT is the single best predictor of law school success and that the LSAT's predictive validity is consistent across all demographic groups, LSAC is innovating to create an additional pathway to law school that meets potential students earlier in their academic careers with a holistic approach to building the skills and support needed to help them define, pursue, and succeed in their educational goals.

## BENEFITS TO LAW SCHOOLS

- **Better prepared students:** LawReady students will be better prepared to succeed academically, based on skills, abilities, and other characteristics they will develop with the support of the program.
- **Students who know what to expect and how to succeed:** LawReady students will have a better understanding of what to expect when they arrive at law school, based on Navigation and Engagement supports that the program will provide.
- **A broader pool of students:** LawReady will open access to a broader pool of students who will engage in exploring and preparing for legal education earlier in their undergraduate studies.

## The Advantages to Candidates

LSAC's LawReady will improve student outcomes by helping undergraduate students in three key areas:

- Developing and demonstrating mastery of the skills necessary for success in law school
- Providing a better understanding of the legal profession and law school experience, and tools for navigating the journey from admission through a career in law
- Equipping students with strong support networks to help them throughout their legal education journeys

### BENEFITS TO ASPIRING CANDIDATES

- **An opportunity to explore:** LSAC's LawReady will meet undergraduate students earlier in their academic journeys, thus giving them an opportunity to explore a legal education journey before making a longtime economic and academic commitment.
- **Build skills before law school:** Employing a holistic approach incorporated into their undergraduate education, students will develop the skills and build the support network they need to help them define, pursue, and succeed in their educational goals.
- **A valid and reliable alternative pathway:** Once completed, LawReady will have equipped students with the skills needed for law school success. LSAC envisions LawReady as a valid and reliable alternative for law school admission, complementing the proven LSAT.

## Developed by Experts

LSAC is developing LawReady in partnership with students, law schools, undergraduate institutions, DEI advocates, and members of the legal profession. The program will be backed by LSAC's decades-long track record and expertise in assessment science.

## Would You Like to Become a Participating Law School?

LSAC is partnering with law schools to support undergraduate institutions as they consider adoption and participation at their school, as well as students as they learn about LawReady.

### WHAT LAW SCHOOLS CAN EXPECT

- Updates on developments of LawReady and its pilot study
- Opportunities to participate in the development of the program and pilot studies
- Recognition as a legal education innovator

### ADVANTAGES FOR PARTICIPATING LAW SCHOOLS

- Inclusion in marketing materials that will go to undergraduate institutions and students
- Being a participating law school signals your commitment to access and equity

### WHAT WE ARE ASKING OF PARTICIPATING LAW SCHOOLS

1. Agreement from the participating law school to consider LawReady materials as part of your holistic admission process
2. Agreement from the participating law school to allow LSAC to communicate your participation as a participating law school in LawReady marketing and communications

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