

J.D. Admissions Overview

LOS ANGELES



SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL



J.D. Programs of Study

To accommodate the needs of a diverse student population, Southwestern is the only ABA-approved law school that offers **four courses of study leading to the J.D. degree** that differ in scheduling and instructional approach:

- Full-time **Day** program 3 academic years
- Part-time **Evening** program 4 academic years
- Part-time **Day** program (PLEAS) 4 academic years
- Full-time **Accelerated Day** Program (SCALE®) 2 calendar years

Southwestern also offers **concurrent J.D./M.B.A. programs** with The Drucker Graduate School of Management of Claremont Graduate University, and a **J.D./M.A. program in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution** with California State University, Dominguez Hills.

Choose Your Program, Choose Your Timeframe

Program	Years				
	1	2	3	4	5
SCALE® JD					
SCALE® JD/MBA					
Full-time Day JD					
Part-time Day/PLEAS JD					
Part-time Evening JD					
Full-time JD/MBA*					
Part-time JD/MBA*					

*schedule may be accelerated through the JD/PMBA for students with work and management experience or JD/EMBA for students with extensive management experience



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Prospects for Admission

GPA	LSAT Score						
	120-144	145-149	150-154	155-159	160-164	165-169	170+
3.75+	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
3.5-3.74	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
3.25-3.49	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
3.0-3.24	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
2.75-2.99	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
2.5-2.74	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely	Likely
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Unlikely
 Possible
 Likely

In reviewing applicant files, the Admissions committee considers:

- Grade Point Average (UGPA)
- Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) scores
- School(s) attended and major area of concentration
- Post-baccalaureate study
- Work experience
- Other factors as noted in the personal and optional statements

Application Deadlines

- For **new J.D. students**:
April 1
- For **visiting and transfer J.D. students**:
Fall Semester: **July 15** | Spring Semester: **December 1**

Prospective students are encouraged to apply online for admission at www.swlaw.edu/applyonline, and are required to apply online for financial aid. Detailed information is available at www.swlaw.edu/student-services/jdadmin.

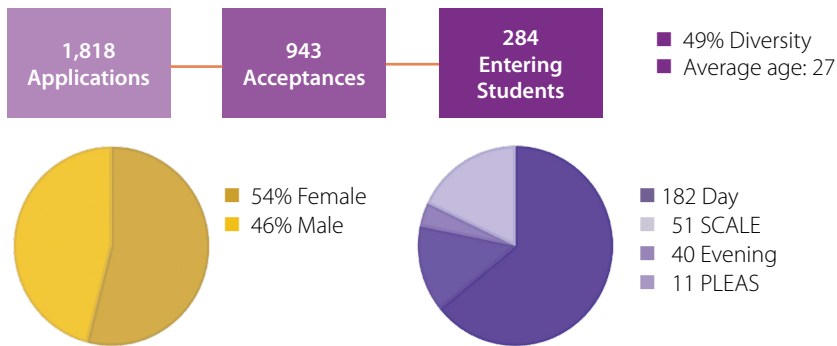
Tuition and Financial Aid

Financial aid is available in the form of loans, work study and institutional scholarships. Merit scholarships up to full tuition are available for entering students with exceptional credentials. Details are available at www.swlaw.edu/student-services/financial.

FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	SCALE
\$49,890	\$33,270	\$70,080

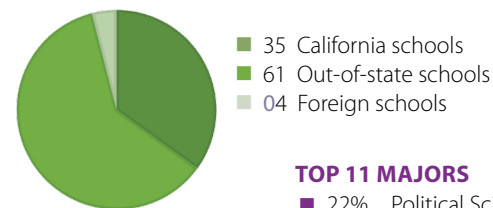
Note: The above figures reflect tuition for the 2016-2017 academic year. Tuition and fees are subject to change. Visit www.swlaw.edu/student-services/financial for complete details and the most recent figures.

2016 Entering Class Information*



	FULL-TIME PROGRAMS Traditional Day/SCALE		PART-TIME PROGRAMS Traditional Evening/PLEAS		ALL PROGRAMS	
	GPA	LSAT	GPA	LSAT	GPA	LSAT
75th	3.44	155	3.49	154	3.46	155
Median	3.18	153	3.16	151	3.18	152
25th	2.99	150	3.00	149	2.99	149

100 UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOLS REPRESENTED



TOP 11 MAJORS

- 22% Political Science
- 6% English
- 5% History
- 5% Humanities
- 5% Other
- 5% Psychology
- 5% Sociology
- 4% Bus. Admin.
- 4% Communications
- 3% Economics
- 3% Philosophy

TOP 17 FEEDER SCHOOLS

- UCLA
- CSU Northridge
- USC
- UC Riverside
- CSU Los Angeles
- UC Irvine
- Loyola Marymount
- UC Santa Barbara
- UC San Diego
- UC Berkeley
- CSU Long Beach
- Clark Atlanta University
- CSU Channel Islands
- UC Santa Cruz
- CSU Dominguez Hills
- CSU Fullerton
- Occidental College

Details are available at www.swlaw.edu/enteringclassinfo.

*2016 entering class information current as of August 18, 2016. Final ABA data will be available in late fall.



Prospective Student Events

Southwestern is hosting prospective student events throughout the year on our campus. Come and experience the law school firsthand while meeting professors, current students, staff, and alumni. RSVP for these events and find out more details about them at admissions.swlaw.edu/events.

Understanding the Law School Admissions Process

Saturday, September 10, 2016

At this free seminar in conjunction with Blueprint LSAT Preparation, you will get tips on taking the LSAT and applying to law school.

Southwestern Law Day

Saturday, October 29, 2016

Learn about Southwestern's four cornerstones to law school success: learning, mentorship, support, and involvement.

Diversity Day

Saturday, January 21, 2017

See why diversity is at the heart of the Southwestern community. It's not something we simply speak about; it's something we live on a daily basis.

Future Armenian-American Lawyers Event

Saturday, February 4, 2017

The Armenian Bar Association cosponsors this event that highlights Southwestern's Armenian-American students and alumni. Everyone is welcome to this admissions event.



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