Applying to Law School?

In this guide, the timeline is also applicable for students applying to law school. Starting your research in your junior year, as well as preparing for the LSAT, will put you in a better position for fall of your senior year. A good goal is to have all applications completed and submitted before you take your fall semester finals (in other words, by late November/early December).

Also, register on the Law School Admission Council’s site at http://www.lsac.org. It contains everything you need to know and all forms necessary for LSAT registration and use of CAS (Credential Assembly Service), plus a link to the “Official Guide to ABA-Approved Law Schools” and other relevant sites. You will also find helpful articles on the application process and much more.

The following are important websites to know about and use:

**Official Guide to ABA-Approved Law Schools**
http://www.officialguide.lsac.org
This 2012 searchable online guide to ABA approved law schools can be helpful in identifying a list of schools to which you want to apply.

**Boston College Law School Locator** (created by Boston College)
http://www.bc.edu/offices/careers/gradschool/law/lawlocator.html
One way to research potential law schools, based on average GPAs and LSAT scores of their last entering classes. It can give you a sense of what might be a competitive set of schools for you to apply to, but it by no means determines to which schools you should or shouldn’t apply.

**Access Group**
http://www.accessgroup.org
The Access Group is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide access to education through affordable financing.

**Student Aid on the Web**
http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/index.jsp
Here you’ll find information on how to apply for federal loans, along with necessary forms.

**Public Legal**
http://www.ilrg.com
This site provides links to hundreds of websites related to law and the legal profession, including pre-law resources.

**NALP - The Association for Legal Career Professionals**
http://www.nalp.org
Non-profit educational association established in 1971 to meet the needs of all participants in the legal employment process (career planning, recruitment and hiring, and professional development of law students and lawyers) for information, coordination and standards.