

▶ PREPARING FOR LAW SCHOOL

1. What undergraduate courses can help me prepare for law school?

Consider choosing courses that involve reading and analyzing complex material and developing logical and analytical reasoning and reading comprehension skills. Law schools generally care more about the skills you developed than your major. And by challenging yourself as an undergraduate, you will be better prepared to do well on the LSAT. Talk to the prelaw advisor or career counselor at your college, or the chair of your academic department, about your interest in law school and the types of courses available to help you prepare.

2. Will certain majors make me more competitive for admission to law school?

Since the American Bar Association doesn't recommend specific undergraduate majors or groups of courses to prepare for a legal education, students are admitted to law school from almost every academic discipline.

Whatever major you select, you are encouraged to pursue an area of study that interests and challenges you. Take advantage of opportunities to develop your research and writing skills, choose challenging courses and instructors. The courses you choose as an undergrad will provide the foundation for your legal education, so choose wisely!

3. Is there someone I can contact to help me prepare?

Undergraduate institutions often assign a person to act as an advisor to current and former students who are interested in pursuing a legal education. Prewlaw advisors can help you select courses that will help you prepare for law school, locate preparation options for the LSAT, and find the information you will need to choose the right law school. The career services office at your school can help you get in touch with a prelaw advisor. There are prelaw clubs at many schools; these are also good sources of information.