

WWW.LSAC.ORG LSAT LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST

What is the LSAT?

The LSAT is a half-day, standardized test administered four times each year at designated testing centers throughout the world. The test is an integral part of the law school admission process in the United States, Canada, and a growing number of other countries. It provides a standard measure of acquired reading and verbal reasoning skills that law schools can use as one of several factors in assessing applicants.

How many times can I take the LSAT? Is it expensive?

You may take the LSAT a maximum of three times in any two-year period. This policy applies even if you cancel your score or if your score is not otherwise reported. The LSAT is administered in June, October, December, and February. Many law schools require that the LSAT be taken by December for admission the following fall. However, taking the test earlier—in June or September—is often advised.

The test costs \$160 each time you take it.

Where do I take the test?

Candidates should consult the website <http://www.lsac.org> for the most current testing center information. Completing your LSAT registration online allows you to check testing center availability in real time. Testing locations near Rollins College include Florida A&M University College of Law, University of Central Florida, and Valencia College

What can I expect to see on the LSAT?

Logical Reasoning (2 sections; 35 minutes each)

The skills measured here include the test-taker's ability to:

- analyze and evaluate arguments, determining whether they are strong or weak
- understand precisely what causes the argument's strength or weakness

Analytical Reasoning section (35 minutes)

Sometimes known as "Logic Games," this section measures the test-taker's:

- basic logic and deductive reasoning skills
- ability to find structure within organized data

Reading Comprehension section (35 minutes)

The skills measured here include the test taker's ability to:

- identify main ideas and details
- draw inferences and make extrapolations

Writing Sample (35 minutes)

The skills measured here include the test taker's ability to:

- argue one position over another
- support one position while knocking down the other

How is the LSAT scored?

Your score is based on the number of questions answered correctly; no points are deducted for incorrect answers. Scores range from 120 – 180. The writing section is not scored; it is, however, sent to law schools to aid them in the admission process.

The Law School Admission Council suggests retaking the test only if you feel that your score is not indicative of your abilities. Most test takers do not see a dramatic change in score when repeating the exam. All of your test scores will be reported to the institutions to which you are applying.

When are scores available?

Scores are e-mailed to you approximately three to four weeks after the test.

How do I prepare for the LSAT?

Become familiar with the instructions and question types to avoid any delay or distraction when answering an LSAT question. The LSAC website provides descriptions of the question types and practice tests that simulate the LSAT experience, including a writing sample, under actual time constraints. In addition, LSAC publishes a variety of free materials to help you prepare for the LSAT.

Rollins undergraduate students who are interested in applying for graduate law programs will also find helpful information on the Rollins Pre-Law Advising website: <http://www.rollins.edu/pre-law/>

What are some good study strategies and test-taking tips?

- Practice test questions under timed conditions so that you acclimate to the pace of the test.
- Review the testing policies and understand how the computer-based test works.
- Take a free Practice Exam! Sign up at the Office of Career Services each semester.
- Do not spend too much time on any one question.
- Leave no question unanswered. Nothing is subtracted from your score if you answer a question incorrectly, so give it your best shot!
- Get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast before arriving at the test center.



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