Application Instructions

Applying for Admission for the Juris Doctor Degree

Applications for admission to the College of Law may be submitted anytime between September 15 and March 31 of the calendar year prior to the planned date of enrollment. Admissions are done on a rolling basis (though early decision and early admission options are available). Applicants who wish to be considered for financial assistance should apply at the earliest possible date prior to March 1. If the class is filled prior to the review of all applicant files, applicants will be considered for placement on the waitlist. Accordingly, students should, to the extent possible, submit their applications in advance of the March 31 deadline.

Applicants to the College of Law are encouraged to apply electronically through the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) at LSAC.org.

Requirements for Admission as a First-Year Student

All applicants for admission must possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university prior to enrollment in the College of Law. There is no single major or undergraduate field of study required of an applicant.

Applicants must register for and take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and register with the Credential Assembly Service (CAS). The LSAT is offered four times annually: September/October, December, February, and June. The admissions committee will not accept LSAT scores from the June administration the summer preceding enrollment (ex. June 2014 test scores will not be accepted for the August 2014 entering class--except in rare cases in which taking the February LSAT was not possible due to factors outside the applicant's control, e.g. natural disasters).

A completed electronic application will include the following:

- The application for admission and $60 application fee ($70 for international applicants)
- Completed character and fitness section
- Resume
- Personal statement (generally 2-3 typewritten pages)
- Optional - Essays on leadership potential; contributions to a diverse intellectual environment/multicultural experiences, commitment to public interest/public service

The following items must be submitted in addition to the completed application via CAS:

- Official transcripts from all colleges attended
- Two letters of recommendation (faculty letters of recommendation are strongly preferred for those students that are currently in school or have graduated within the past two years)

The Moritz College of Law is committed to enrolling highly motivated individuals with strong academic potential who bring to the College a broad range of personal backgrounds and intellectual experiences. All candidates offered admission should demonstrate likely academic and professional success based upon quantifiable and non-quantifiable indicia. In selecting members of each entering class, the College seeks to enroll men and women who will enhance the intellectual quality of life within the Moritz Community who bring to the college those skills and attributes such as, but not limited to, creativity and innovation; problem solving; practical judgement; empathy; diligence; integrity-honesty; networking and business development; passion and engagement; community involvement and service; strategic planning; and multi-cultural experience/competency that are essential to success in the legal profession. Further, the College seeks to enroll men and women who will respect the profession's public service obligations; be open to engagement with persons from diverse backgrounds and experiences; and positively contribute to the Moritz community and legal profession.

Valuing Diversity

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law believes that diversity, inclusion, equity, and justice are essential to the excellence of our community, culture, and curriculum. We recognize that the pursuit of this excellence requires thoughtful, deliberate, and sustained action and that this effort is critical to our educational mission.

Community: We value diversity in all of its dimensions including, but not limited to, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, physical and learning abilities, and socioeconomic status and view point. We seek to reflect these multiple perspectives, backgrounds, and interests in all facets of our community. We recognize that students who are exposed to and embrace diversity are better prepared to engage in a pluralistic world and successfully navigate the legal profession.

Culture: We strive to be an inclusive community in which each individual feels safe, respected, and valued. In building a
Community that values similarities and differences among its constituents, we seek to embody in our actions and in our relations with one another principles of equity and justice as well as the values of honesty, respect, compassion, responsibility, and fairness.

Curriculum: We believe that exposure to multiple, and even sometimes competing points of view best equips students to explore, understand, and apply complex concepts, building the basis for a rigorous legal education. By weaving diversity into the fabric of our curriculum, we equip our students with the interpersonal and critical thinking skills that are essential to success in the complex, multicultural world in which we live and the society the legal profession serves.

The Ohio State University is committed to nondiscrimination, equal employment opportunity, and a diverse learning environment. This commitment is both a matter of law and moral imperative consistent with an intellectual community in which individual differences of diversity are celebrated.

Accordingly, discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, is prohibited. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits sex discrimination. Title I and II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 provide equal employment opportunities and reasonable accommodation, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in education programs and activities. Equal access to employment opportunities, admission, educational programs, and all other university activities is extended to all persons.

For further information, contact the Office of Human Resources at: 1590 N. High St., Suite 300, Columbus, OH 43210, (614) 292-4164 or visit http://hr.osu.edu/policy/policyhome.htm.

Application Status

Staff members of the Moritz College of Law Office of Admissions and Financial Aid are available to answer questions relating to the application process and admission standards. Due to the high volume of requests, applicants are strongly encouraged to check the status of their application by referring to the Applicant Status Online Page at http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/admissions/jd/apply/status.php

The Office of Admissions will notify applicants by e-mail when their application has been received and processed. It is important that the applicant provides the office with a current e-mail address and checks their e-mail regularly. While the Office of Admissions seeks to keep applicants informed of their status, it is the applicant’s responsibility to make sure the application is received by the deadline. Supplemental materials must be received within 3 weeks of the application deadline, or the applicant’s application will be canceled.

The Moritz College of Law Admissions Committee renders admissions decisions on a rolling basis after the application file is received and is complete (with supporting documents, such as the CAS report). This process can take anywhere between six and ten weeks, based on the volume of applications. Early decision applicants will typically receive a decision by mid-December. Early admissions applicants will receive their decisions by late January. All other admissions applicants will be notified via rolling admissions beginning in January. Applicants will be notified of their decision via e-mail. We will not provide decisions over the phone.

Contact with the Moritz College of Law Office of Admissions may be made by phone at (614) 292-8810 or e-mail at lawadmit@osu.edu. The Office of Admissions is staffed Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET.

International Applicants

Moritz Law welcomes applications from citizens of other countries. International applicants should follow the application procedures established for U.S. citizens.

The Moritz College of Law requires that foreign transcripts be submitted through the LSAC Credential Assembly Service (CAS). For any post-secondary work outside the United States (including its territories) or Canada, an applicant must use this service for the evaluation of foreign transcripts (exception if the foreign work was completed through a study abroad or exchange program sponsored by a U.S. or Canadian institution, and the work is indicated as such on the home campus transcript).

This service is included in the CAS registration fee. A Foreign Credential Evaluation will be completed by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), which will be incorporated into the CAS Law School Report.

Additionally, applicants whose first language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and earn a minimum score of 600 at the paper-based test and 250 computer-based. The test must have been taken within the last two years. Non-native English speakers who have been awarded a baccalaureate or graduate degree from a U.S. university are exempted from the TOEFL requirement.
You must contact the Educational Testing Service (ETS) and request that your TOEFL score be sent to LSAC. LSAC's TOEFL code for the Credential Assembly Service is 0058. Your score will be included in the Foreign Credential Evaluation document that will be included in your law school report.

To use CAS, login to your online account and follow the instructions for registering for the service. Be sure to print out a Transcript Request Form for each institution and send it promptly to them. More time is usually required to receive foreign transcripts. Questions about the Credential Assembly Service should be directed to LSAC at (215) 968-1001.

Any non-U.S. citizen seeking admission to the College of Law should be aware of the financial resources required to attend the College of Law for three years. The expected annual costs of law school and living expenses is approximately $60,000 for non-U.S. citizens. Should admission be offered, the admitted candidate must provide documentation that sufficient funds exist to meet the cost of attendance. The Moritz College of Law is not able to provide any teaching assistantships or tuition waivers for citizens of other countries.

An international applicant who does not wish to obtain a Juris Doctor from Ohio State, but who has undertaken previous legal education in another country, may apply to the graduate degree (LL.M.) program for non-U.S. citizens. Information about the LL.M. program may be found at [http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/programs/llm/index.php](http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/programs/llm/index.php).

**Application for Admission as a Transfer Student**

We consider a range of factors in the admissions process, including academic achievement and evidence of a student's ability to contribute positively to the profession and impact the intellectual life of the college.

In assessing an applicant's potential for success, primary consideration is given to an applicant's academic performance during his or her first year. We also review undergraduate transcripts and LSAT scores. Consideration is given to letters of recommendation, especially those from a 1L professor, and about extracurricular activities, leadership abilities, multicultural experiences, public service activities, work experience, life experience, and contributions to diversity.

Applications for admission as a transfer student are available electronically at [LSAC.org](http://LSAC.org).

In order for the Moritz College of Law to fully consider the application of a student desiring transfer into the Law 2 class, the applicant must have completed one year of study at a school accredited by the American Bar Association. The Moritz College of Law will accept up to, but not exceeding, 31 semester-hours of transfer credit.

There are two options for applying:

1) **Regular Application**

Applications received and completed by July 1 will be reviewed for regular admission. Regular transfer application decisions are made on a rolling basis. As a general rule, final decisions concerning transfer applicants are made in mid-June through early-August.

2) **Early Action**

Applications received and completed by May will be reviewed for early action, if requested, and decisions will be made on a rolling basis no later than June 1. A completed early action application must include an official transcript for your first semester at law school and other requirements as indicated on the transfer application.

Offers of early action admission are conditioned upon the successful completion of all first-year courses at the student's current law school, being in good academic standing, and having no changes to the character and fitness responses. If a student is admitted under this progress, a seat deposit is due by June 25.

All applicants not admitted under the early action option will be deferred to the regular transfer application process and considered for admission upon receipt of an official transcript and letter of good standing for the entire 1L year.

A transfer student may enroll any term in which the courses scheduled provide the student with a viable academic program. In all cases where admission is granted, the law school work that has been completed will be evaluated for transfer of credit in light of the curricular offerings of the Moritz College of Law.

A transfer applicant is responsible for making certain that the items below are on file with the Moritz Admissions Office six weeks prior to the desired term of enrollment (Applications are accepted April 1 through July 1):

- The completed application and application fee of $60 (all done electronically through LSAC)
- Official transcripts of all work completed at all undergraduate and graduate institutions attended and the law school
• The applicant's LSAT score (may be forwarded by CAS, the law school of current enrollment, or, if the applicant previously applied to Ohio State, we may still have the score)
• An official letter from the law school attended certifying good standing and class rank
• A letter of recommendation from a law professor who has taught the applicant in class
• A resume including honors, awards, activities, and work experience
• A brief statement (one page or less) giving reason for desiring to transfer to the Moritz College of Law

Admission into the Moritz College of Law as a transfer student is selective and based upon the applicant's academic record at the law school from which the transfer is requested, as well as the applicant's prelaw qualifications under the admission standards for Moritz. Final decisions concerning transfer applicants for the beginning of the academic year are made beginning in late May and will continue through early August.

Application for Admission as a Visiting/Transient Student

The Moritz College of Law permits students to enroll as visiting or transient students. Visiting students typically have completed the first two years of law classes at another ABA-approved law school.

Prospective visiting students must complete the following to be considered for admission:

• The completed electronic application via LSAC (to be submitted at least 30 days prior to desired date of enrollment) and $60 application fee
• A letter from the Dean of the law school the applicant is currently attending authorizing the student to enroll at the Moritz College of Law and that all classes taken at Moritz will transfer to the current institution
• A statement explaining the reason(s) for wishing to attend as a visiting student
• An official law school transcript

Visiting students are admitted to the Moritz College of Law for one semester only. Students who wish to remain for a second semester must receive permission to do so from the Associate Dean for Admissions.

Additional Information

Financial Aid Opportunities and Application

The financial aid philosophy of Moritz Law reflects the college's desire to provide financial assistance to students who are in great financial need, who are likely to excel in their legal studies, and/or who add to the diversity of the student body. The college also is committed to providing aid to students who have a record of service to the public and the Moritz College of Law community. Through the generosity of alumni, friends and others, Moritz annually awards more than $4.2 million in financial aid to students.

The priority application deadline for financial aid consideration is February 15, though applying earlier is strongly recommended. In order to qualify for need-based aid from the Moritz College of Law, the Perkins Loan, and/or Stafford Loans, a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should be completed at the earliest possible date after the FAFSA becomes available in early January. The FAFSA form may be completed online at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov. The Ohio State federal code is 003090. Questions regarding the FAFSA should be directed to the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-433-2343.

For full information on financial aid, including information regarding scholarships, need-based aid, and loan assistance, please refer to the Moritz College of Law financial aid website at http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/financialaid/

Retention of Records, Reapplication, and Deferral Requests

The application and supporting documents become the property of The Ohio State University and may not be returned to the applicant, nor forwarded to another institution. All application material is retained for one year.

An applicant who wishes to apply to the next year's class may do so after submitting a new application fee and new application form. Letters of recommendation and the personal statement may be carried over to the new year, though the applicant is encouraged to provide the admission committee with a summary of new and/or significant developments since the time the first application was submitted.

Admission applicants who wish to delay enrollment into the College of Law may request a deferral of admission. Such requests must be in writing (e-mail is acceptable) and should outline the reason(s) for the request. Deferral requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the admission committee. An applicant who is granted a deferral will be asked to provide updated information prior to February 1st of the calendar year in which admission is desired and must submit the
$225 deposit in order to reserve a seat in the entering class.

Office of Disability Services

Applicants with documented disabilities who may require accommodations and services are encouraged to contact the Office for Disability Services (ODS). ODS offers a variety of services and accommodations for students with documented disabilities, including learning disabilities, hearing or visual impairments, mobility impairments, attention deficit disorders (ADD/ADHD), or psychiatric or medical disabilities. Academic accommodations, auxiliary aids, and support services are individualized and based on disability documentation, functional limitations, and a collaborative assessment of needs. As ODS is the designated campus office to determine appropriate accommodations and auxiliary aids for students with disabilities, documentation of the disability for eligibility determination should be submitted to ODS as early as possible in the admission process.

If you want more information about academic accommodations and services for students with disabilities, contact ODS at (614) 292-3307 (V/T), (614)0292-0901 (TDD), fax (614) 292-4190 or visit http://ods.osu.edu.

Early Decision Agreement

Applicants to The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law frequently indicate that Ohio State is their first choice for a legal education. For those students who have carefully researched their law school opportunities, the Early Decision Option provides an expeditious evaluation and decision by the Admissions Committee. This early notification has the advantage of enabling successful early decision applicants to pursue their educational, professional and familial engagements and responsibilities free of the time, expense and anxiety associated with the typical law school application process. Successful Early Decision applicants will be notified of merit scholarship awards within three weeks of their admission and prior to the deposit deadline. However, decisions on the award of endowed scholarships, including the Moritz Merit Scholarship, and on the award of need based aid will not be available until late spring. Thus, the applicant should be in a position to commit to attending Ohio State even though they will not have a complete financial aid package at the time of their deposit. It is important to recognize that the benefits associated with admission under the Early Decision Option are accompanied by a reduction in law school choice. Ohio State reserves the right to provide other law schools with the names of applicants accepted under our Early Decision Option.

Applicants wishing to be considered as a candidate for the Early Decision Option must:

• Submit an Early Decision Agreement and an application for admission no later than November 22, 2013.
• The Early Decision application must be complete no later than December 1, 2013. The application is considered complete when all required application materials, including a CAS report, have been received by the Office of Admissions.
• Candidates who apply under the Early Decision Option may not apply for early decision consideration at another law school.
• Candidates must agree that if admitted to Ohio State under the Early Decision Option, they will withdraw their applications from all other law schools.
• Candidates may not initiate any additional law school applications once notified of their Ohio State offer of Early Decision admission.
• Candidates admitted under the Early Decision Option will not be eligible for deferral unless exceptional circumstances are demonstrated.

Early Decision applicants may be admitted, denied, or held for consideration through the regular rolling admissions process. Applicants who meet the requirements for Early Decision consideration will be notified by December 23, 2013. The seat deposit deadline for applicants admitted under the Early Decision Option is January 20, 2014. Applicants who have not been admitted under the Early Decision process are not bound by this Early Decision Agreement.

The Early Decision Agreement is now an online form that can be accessed by following this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MSF3Z7Z

Early Admission Option

The Moritz College of Law encourages students to submit their application, to the extent possible, before the March 31st deadline each year. As the Moritz College of Law reviews applications on a rolling basis, students who apply early in the admissions cycle will be able to receive decisions and, if applicable, scholarship notifications earlier than applicants who apply later. For students who wish to submit their applications early, but do not wish to apply under Early Decision, the Moritz College of Law Early Admission Option may be beneficial. Students who indicate they wish to be considered under Early Admission must submit their application and all supplemental materials (including LSAT score, letters of recommendation, personal statement, and resume) no later than December 20, 2013. Students will then receive a decision no later than January 30, 2014. The deposit deadline for students admitted under Early Admission is April 1, 2014. Please note that unlike Early Decision, should the applicant be admitted, the decision is not binding.
Applicant Status

I am completing this application for admission for the Fall 2014 first-year class.

_____ Yes
_____ No

Do you plan to apply for Early Decision? If yes, you must apply by November 22 and fill out Early Decision Agreement at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MSF3Z7Z (see Application Instructions, Early Decision Agreement section for details).

_____ Yes
_____ No

Are you submitting this application under the Early Admission option? (You must apply by December 20, 2013 and will receive a decision no later than January 30, 2014. Please see application instructions for details).

_____ Yes
_____ No

Please note, you may only apply for early decision or early admission. You may not apply for both.

Biographical

Prefix ____________________________ Date of birth ____________________________

First name ____________________________ Place of birth: City ____________________________

Middle name ____________________________ Place of birth: Country ____________________________

Last name ____________________________ Place of birth: State/Province ____________________________

Suffix ____________________________ Gender ____________________________

Previous (other) name ____________________________ Social security number ____________________________

Preferred first name ____________________________ LSAC account number ____________________________

Contact Information

Current Address

Country ____________________________ Current mailing address good until date ____________

Street address--line 1 ____________________________ Day phone ____________________________

Street address--line 2 ____________________________ Evening phone ____________________________

Street address--line 3 ____________________________

City ____________________________

State/province ____________________________

Zip/postal code ____________________________
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City ____________________________
State/province ____________________________
Zip/postal code ____________________________

Permanent mailing address good until date ____________
Day phone ____________________________
Evening phone ____________________________

Other Contact Information
Primary e-mail address ____________________________
Secondary e-mail address ____________________________
Permanent e-mail address ____________________________
Mobile phone ____________________________
The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law can send text messages to my mobile phone
___ Yes
___ No

Demographics

Citizenship
___ Asylee
___ Non-Resident Alien
___ Refugee
___ US Citizen
___ US Permanent Resident
Country of citizenship ____________________________
Visa type ____________________________
Visa/SEVIS number ____________________________
Permanent resident number ____________________________
Permanent city ____________________________
Permanent state/province ____________________________
Demographics continued

Permanent country ________________________________

Native language ________________________________

Ethnicity

Are you Hispanic or Latino
  ____ Yes
  ____ No

What is your race? Select one or more races to indicate what you consider yourself to be.

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian
  ____ Aboriginal/Torres Strait Isl. Australian

American Indian or Alaska Native
  ____ Alaska Native
  ____ Alaskan Native/Native American
  ____ American Indian/Alaskan Native

Asian
  ____ Asian - Cambodian
  ____ Asian - Chinese
  ____ Asian - Japanese
  ____ Asian - Korean
  ____ Asian - Malaysian
  ____ Asian - Other
  ____ Asian - Thai
  ____ Asian - Vietnamese

Black or African American
  ____ Black/African American

Canadian Aboriginal
  ____ Canadian Aboriginal - First Nation
  ____ Canadian Aboriginal - Inuit
  ____ Canadian Aboriginal - Metis

Caucasian/White
  ____ Arab/Middle Eastern
  ____ Caucasian/White - European
  ____ Caucasian/White - Middle Eastern
  ____ Caucasian/White - North African
  ____ Caucasian/White - Other

Hispanic/Latino
  ____ Chicano/Mexican American
  ____ Hispanic/Latino - Central American
  ____ Hispanic/Latino - Chicano/Mexican
  ____ Hispanic/Latino - Cuban
  ____ Hispanic/Latino - Other
  ____ Hispanic/Latino - South American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
  ____ Asian/Pacific Islander
  ____ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander

Puerto Rican
  ____ Puerto Rican

Consent
  ____ Decline to respond
Demographics continued

Tribal Affiliation

Tribal affiliation or village name

Enrollment number (enrolled members only)

Demographics (Continued)

Do you identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender?

___ Yes
___ No

Are you a first generation college graduate?

___ Yes
___ No

Would you be the first in your family to attain a graduate or professional degree?

___ Yes
___ No

Are you a first generation United States citizen?

___ Yes
___ No

Please list any language, besides English, in which you are fluent:

____________________________________

Have you ever studied or worked abroad?

___ Yes
___ No

From what dates did you study or work abroad?

____________________________________

Please estimate your parents' gross income during your last year of high school:

___ A - Less than 25,000
___ B - 25,000 to 49,999
___ C - 50,000 to 74,999
___ D - 75,000 - 99,999
___ E - 100,000 - 200,000
___ F - more than 200,000
___ G - Do not know
___ H - No answer
**Family**

**Next of Kin/Emergency Contact**

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If you have any close relatives who have been students at this university, please provide the following information.

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____ Choose not to answer

____ Deceased

First (given) name ____________________________

Middle name/initial ____________________________

Last (family) name ____________________________

Occupation ____________________________

Highest level of education ____________________________

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City _______________________________________

State/province ____________________________

Zip/postal code ____________________________

Law School Interest

What prompted you to apply to this law school?

Internet

____ Law school

____ LSAC

____ ABA

____ Other

Faculty/Alumni/Professional

____ Faculty/acquaintance

____ Relative

____ Law school faculty member

____ Admissions recruiter

____ University/college faculty member

____ Legal professional

____ Prelaw advisor

Publications

____ Law school publication

____ ABA-LSAC Official Guide

____ Princeton Review

____ US News & World Report

____ Other advertisement

____ LSAC Forum

____ Law school fair

____ International forum

____ Campus event

____ Law school direct mail/e-mail

____ Current student

If you attended any events mentioned in the Recruiting Events section, please list them below:

_____________________________________________________________________________________

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Have you previously applied to this law school?

____ Yes

____ No
**Law School Interest continued**

If you applied previously, what year was the application for?  

Were you offered admission?  

____ Yes  

____ No  

Are you applying, or have you applied, to other law schools? If so, please list them.  

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**Academic Interests**

At this time I have the following interests in law (check all that apply):  

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**Standardized Testing**

**LSAT**

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Standardized Testing continued

IELTS
Test Date          Test Score


Education
List ALL educational institutions attended.
Institution type  High School  Undergraduate  Graduate  Law  Other Post Graduate
Institution name
Major
Country            Start date
State/Province     End date
City               Degree
GPA                Date degree granted
Rank


Institution type  High School  Undergraduate  Graduate  Law  Other Post Graduate
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Major
Country            Start date
State/Province     End date
City               Degree
GPA                Date degree granted
Rank
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Institution type  ____ High School  ____ Undergraduate  ____ Graduate  ____ Law  ____ Other Post Graduate

Institution name ____________________________________________________

Major _____________________________________________________________

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City __________________________ Degree _________________________________
GPA __________________________ Date degree granted _______________________
Rank __________________________

Institution type  ____ High School  ____ Undergraduate  ____ Graduate  ____ Law  ____ Other Post Graduate

Institution name ____________________________________________________

Major _____________________________________________________________

Country __________________________ Start date _________________________
State/Province __________________________ End date _______________________
City __________________________ Degree _________________________________
GPA __________________________ Date degree granted _______________________
Rank __________________________

Have you ever attended any law school?

____ Yes
____ No

Did you leave the law school under less than good standing?

____ Yes
____ No

If you did not leave the law school in good standing, explain the circumstances.

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OSU Students

OSU Students please list your name.# (Do NOT include @osu.edu, leave blank if this does not apply to you):

__________________________________________

International Student

Are you an international student as defined in our application instructions?

____ Yes
____ No

The Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS) requires that international students requesting an I-20 for an F-1 visa or a DS-2019 for a J-1 visa provide an address outside the United States. Applicants in this category must complete this section.

Please list your address:

Country ________________________________
Street address--line 1 ____________________
Street address--line 2 ____________________
Street address--line 3 ____________________
City ________________________________
State/province __________________________
Zip/postal code __________________________

Is this address the same as your current address?

____ Yes
____ No

Is this address the same as your permanent address?

____ Yes
____ No

What is your country of citizenship?

________________________________________

What is your city of birth?

________________________________________

Is English your native language?

____ Yes
____ No
Military Service
Have you served or are you now serving on fulltime, active military duty?
____ Yes
____ No
What period did you serve in the military?
____________________________________

Rank
____________________________________

Expected military reserve or National Guard status during law school
____________________________________

Branch
____________________________________

Discharge Type
____________________________________

Residency
As of today, upon whom are you dependent for more than half of your financial support?
____ A - Financially Independent
____ B - Parent/Guardian/Spouse
____ C - Other

Important: This information is used to determine residency for tuition purposes. It is not a factor in deciding admissions. Failure to properly answer these questions may result in an incorrect residency determination.

Dates this person has lived in Ohio
____ Birth to Present
____ MM/YYYY to Present
____ MM/YYYY to MM/YYYY
____ Never

Please list the exact dates lived in Ohio, if applicable
____________________________________
Residency continued

The State of Ohio established a new provision called Forever Buckeye that extends the in-state tuition rate to Ohio high school graduates who had left Ohio but return to enroll in an Ohio public institution of higher education and establish a primary residence in Ohio by the first day of classes of the requested term. The Forever Buckeye provision requires students to complete several requirements, which can be found at http://registrar.osu.edu/Residency/forever_buckeye.asp.

If you are classified as an out-of-state student and believe you meet the conditions for the Forever Buckeye provisions, you will have to complete the online process at the link above before you enroll at the College of Law.

Did you graduate from an Ohio high school?

_____ Yes

_____ No

If so, please select the Ohio county in which the high school was located:

____________________________________________
Character and Fitness

In order to practice law in the United States, a student must pass a state bar examination in the state or states in which he or she wishes to practice law. The bar examination evaluates an applicant’s knowledge of specified areas of substantive law, as well as the individual’s character and fitness to be a member of that state’s Bar. Approval of an applicant’s character and fitness is one of the most important components of the admissions process to the Bar, whether in Ohio or elsewhere. For example, no one may take the Ohio bar examination without first receiving character and fitness approval. Each applicant to law school is strongly encouraged, prior to matriculation to law school, to determine the specific character and fitness requirements of each state in which the applicant intends to practice. Applicants may determine the specific requirements in the state or states in which he or she intends to practice by consulting with the website of the National Conference of Bar Examiners at http://www.ncbex.org/.

After a law student applies to take a bar examination, the respective bar examiners have the law school provide an evaluation of that student's character and fitness to practice law. An essential part of assessing a student's character and fitness to practice law must be completed when an applicant is considered for admission. The following questions have been narrowly tailored to reflect only those issues that need early consideration. If you answer any of these questions affirmatively, you must provide an explanation, which needs to include essential information (e.g., the date, the specific nature of the charge, the circumstances that lead to the charge, and the disposition). See Attachments section.

Central to determining one’s character and fitness to practice law is the act of voluntary disclosure. If the school learns that your answer to one or more of these questions was not accurate, your acceptance may be revoked or, if you are already enrolled, you may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. You need to disclose details of the result of any criminal charges. Even if the charges were dismissed, adjudication was withheld, a conviction was reversed, a conviction was set aside, a conviction was vacated, a conviction was expunged, or the record sealed, you must provide disclosure. Contrary advice by legal counsel does not exempt you from this requirement. The charges of driving under the influence of alcohol, driving under the influence of drugs, and reckless driving must be disclosed as criminal charges.

Your answers to these questions are confidential and are limited to a determination of your character and fitness to practice law. You are under a continuing obligation to notify the Office of Admissions of any changes in your answers to these questions up until the time of your enrollment. Once enrolled, you are under a continuing obligation to notify the Associate Dean for Academic Affairs of any changes in your answers to these questions.

Were you ever on academic or disciplinary probation; have you ever been charged with, penalized for, or adjudicated guilty of a violation of a college or university honor code; or have you ever been suspended or dismissed from any educational institution?

____ Yes
____ No

Are there any academic or disciplinary charges from any educational institution pending against you?

____ Yes
____ No

Except for minor traffic and parking violations, have you been formally accused, cited, fined, posted bail, subject to a restraining order, or ordered to do community service for the violation of any law?

____ Yes
____ No

Are there any criminal charges pending against you?

____ Yes
____ No

Have you ever been the subject of a court martial hearing, dishonorably discharged from military service, or administratively separated from military service with other than an honorable discharge?

____ Yes
____ No
Character and Fitness continued

Have you ever been involuntarily separated from a job as a result of an accusation that involved dishonesty?
   ____ Yes
   ____ No

Have you ever been sued for a non-criminal act that was alleged to have been intentional?
   ____ Yes
   ____ No

Have you ever been subject to disciplinary action by a professional association or State Licensing Board, or had a professional license suspended or revoked?
   ____ Yes
   ____ No

Certification

By transmitting this application electronically, I affirm that to the best of my knowledge all of the above information is complete and accurate. I further understand that any material misstatements on this application form or its accompanying documents may result in my being disqualified for admission and if discovered after admission, may affect my enrollment in the Moritz College of Law and with the Board of Bar Examiners or both under the Rule of the University Faculty. I agree to notify the Moritz College of Law of any subsequent changes to my application. I also agree that, as a student, I will be subject to the College of Law Honor Code and to THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CODE OF STUDENTS' RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.