



# PENN STATE PRE-LAW ADVISING

## Law School Application Timeline

### Junior Year

#### Fall Semester

- Attend a law day or fair at a law school
- Subscribe to Penn State's pre-law listserv
- Develop strong relationships with your professors to support future letters of recommendation
- Meet with your pre-law adviser
- Take a strictly timed practice LSAT exam without preparation to estimate how much preparation will be needed
- Register for an online account at LSAC.org

#### Spring Semester

- Decide when you will sit for the LSAT and register via LSAC (*June/October is preferred*)
- Begin researching law schools and develop a tentative list
- Adequately prepare for the LSAT (*you only want to take it once*)

### Senior Year

#### Fall Semester

- Register for the Credential Assembly Service (CAS) on LSAC.org
- Obtain a minimum of three letters of recommendation (*at least two from professors*)
- Begin drafting your personal statement
- Finalize your list of schools and go over their applications
- Request your transcripts be sent to LSAC
- Apply to law schools close to Thanksgiving and no later than January 1

#### Spring Semester

- Send updated transcripts with fall grades to CAS
- Fill out FAFSA by the end of February
- If waitlisted, submit a letter of continued interest and any other materials required by the law school
- Try to wait until you hear from all the schools to which you applied before accepting an offer
- Pay your seat deposit

**\* NOTE: You should meet with your pre-law adviser throughout the application process!**