ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

Requirements

To apply to Widener Law Commonwealth’s Juris Doctor (JD) program, you should take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and register for the Law School Credential Assembly Service (CAS); complete an application; have all undergraduate, graduate, and professional schools that you have attended submit transcripts to CAS; and submit up to three letters of recommendation through the Law School Admission Council’s (LSAC) Letter of Recommendation Service.

The Admissions Office reviews all applications to Widener Law Commonwealth. Primary consideration is given to undergraduate grade point average and LSAT scores. The committee also considers previous graduate study, work experience, extracurricular activities, and community involvement.

Important urls

- JD Program
- Law School Admission Council (LSAC)
- Law School Credential Assembly Service (CAS)
- Law School Admissions Test (LSAT)
- National Conference of Bar Examiners

Admissions Procedures

Follow these steps to begin your application to Widener Law Commonwealth, and visit this site often to keep track of important dates. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact the Admissions Office for help at 717.541.3903 or admitcwlaw@widener.edu.

☐ Register with LSAC
Visit the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) website to register for the Law School Credential Assembly Service (CAS).

☐ Take the LSAT
Take the Law School Admission Test (LSAT).

☐ Complete an Application
You must apply through the LSAC website. There is no application fee for all who apply by May 1.

☐ Character and Fitness
Be sure to read the questions carefully on this section of the application and answer them as completely as possible. You have a continuing obligation to update your responses to these questions if they change even after you apply. In addition to a bar examination, there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar in every US jurisdiction. Applicants are encouraged to determine the requirements for any jurisdiction in which they intend to seek admission by contacting the jurisdiction. Addresses for all relevant agencies are available through the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

☐ Transcripts
Request transcripts from every undergraduate, graduate, and professional school you have attended and send them to LSAC’s Law School Credential Assembly Service (CAS). You must have completed a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university by the time you begin your study at Widener Law Commonwealth. Transfer and visiting students must send official transcripts directly to our Admissions Office.

☐ Request Letters of Recommendation
Submit all letters of recommendation to CAS.

☐ Check Application Status
The Widener Law Commonwealth website allows you to check your status throughout the application process.

JD/MSLS applicants must also apply to The Clarion University of Pennsylvania.
JD/MBA (online) applicants must also apply to Widener University.