Undergraduate Majors of Applicants to ABA-Approved Law Schools

- These data display Academic Year. Academic year reflects the law school enrollment year. For example, academic year 2018 or 2018–2019 would indicate the academic year beginning in fall 2018 and extending into spring 2019.

- These data summarize valid LSAT scores and undergraduate GPAs for all applicants to one or more ABA-accredited law schools for the year noted.

- All applicants must have a valid LSAT score, GPA, and major listed to be included.

- Students are able to take the LSAT multiple times. Each student's highest LSAT score is used in computing the arithmetic average.

- All applicants with a single major are counted once, but double majors are counted twice. Column sums will not sum to the published numbers of applicants.

- All majors listed are undergraduate majors only, and graduate degrees or majors are excluded.

- Majors with fewer than 5 applicant counts have been excluded from these tables.

Please Note:
It is important to treat these data with caution. It would be a mistake to infer from them that any one major is better than another in preparing students for the LSAT or, indeed, for law school itself. It is not possible to know whether or not the students whose data are captured here would have performed equally well on the LSAT regardless of their selected major.

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Applicants by Major: 2018–2019

Major Category	Major	All Applicants: Mean Highest LSAT	All Applicants: Median UGPA	# of Applicants (A)	% of Total Applicants (B=A/SUM(A))	# of Admitted Applicants (C)	% of Applicants Admitted (D=C/A)	# of Applicants Enrolled (E)	% of Applicants Enrolled (F=E/A)
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Political Science	154.19	3.42	12,967	17.50%	9,994	77.07%	8,746	67.45%
Other	Any Area Not Listed - Other	149.33	3.26	4,658	6.29%	2,854	61.27%	2,411	51.76%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Psychology	152.77	3.39	3,850	5.20%	2,838	73.71%	2,482	64.47%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Criminal Justice	146.57	3.27	3,673	4.96%	2,173	59.16%	1,864	50.75%
Arts & Humanities	English	155.74	3.50	3,402	4.59%	2,702	79.42%	2,324	68.31%
Business And Management	Economics	159.70	3.51	3,235	4.37%	2,675	82.69%	2,240	69.24%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	History	156.78	3.48	3,192	4.31%	2,600	81.45%	2,266	70.99%
Arts & Humanities	Philosophy	157.88	3.47	2,300	3.10%	1,854	80.61%	1,587	69.00%
Arts & Humanities	Arts & Humanities - Other	154.99	3.47	2,223	3.00%	1,672	75.21%	1,437	64.64%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Sociology	151.10	3.325	1992	2.69%	1356	68.07%	1172	58.84%
Arts & Humanities	Communications	151.66	3.35	1,930	2.60%	1,394	72.23%	1,198	62.07%
Business And Management	Finance	155.23	3.45	1,683	2.27%	1,336	79.38%	1,154	68.57%
Business And Management	Business Administration	150.65	3.27	1,559	2.10%	1,033	66.26%	873	56.00%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	International Relations	157.36	3.48	1,223	1.65%	971	79.39%	833	68.11%
Arts & Humanities	Liberal Arts	152.23	3.30	1,180	1.59%	800	67.80%	678	57.46%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Legal Studies	149.81	3.33	1,031	1.39%	732	71.00%	626	60.72%
Business And Management	Accounting	154.68	3.49	1,005	1.36%	778	77.41%	665	66.17%
Business And Management	Marketing	152.13	3.27	995	1.34%	732	73.57%	635	63.82%
Business And Management	Business Management	150.41	3.27	992	1.34%	671	67.64%	565	56.96%
Arts & Humanities	Spanish	155.60	3.58	963	1.30%	804	83.49%	695	72.17%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Criminology	149.40	3.34	950	1.28%	653	68.74%	538	56.63%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	International Studies	157.15	3.58	884	1.19%	719	81.33%	619	70.02%
Natural Sciences	Biology, General	154.86	3.22	883	1.19%	689	78.03%	573	64.89%
Arts & Humanities	Journalism	154.20	3.45	749	1.01%	598	79.84%	517	69.03%

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Social Sciences Helping Professions	Social Sciences - Other	155.28	3.54	710	0.96%	515	72.54%	437	61.55%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Pre-Law	148.53	3.27	632	0.85%	408	64.56%	359	56.80%
Arts & Humanities	Interdisciplinary Studies	154.91	3.45	607	0.82%	445	73.31%	387	63.76%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Government/Service	157.57	3.52	569	0.77%	449	78.91%	380	66.78%
Business And Management	Business And Management - Other	151.73	3.36	568	0.77%	399	70.25%	344	60.56%
Natural Sciences	Environmental Sciences	157.24	3.42	535	0.72%	460	85.98%	388	72.52%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Anthropology	156.19	3.47	517	0.70%	413	79.88%	353	68.28%
Natural Sciences	Biology, Specialization	159.20	3.36	448	0.60%	369	82.37%	316	70.54%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Law	149.16	3.29	446	0.60%	280	62.78%	234	52.47%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Policy Studies	160.44	3.60	433	0.58%	355	81.99%	311	71.82%
Business And Management	International Business	152.63	3.38	413	0.56%	295	71.43%	246	59.56%
Natural Sciences	Mathematics	162.93	3.59	389	0.53%	288	74.04%	236	60.67%
Arts & Humanities	Music	156.89	3.59	382	0.52%	310	81.15%	276	72.25%
Arts & Humanities	Foreign Languages	157.15	3.52	372	0.50%	298	80.11%	252	67.74%
Arts & Humanities	French	157.91	3.58	371	0.50%	314	84.64%	268	72.24%
Arts & Humanities	Religion/Religious Studies	157.46	3.50	353	0.48%	288	81.59%	242	68.56%
Health Professions	Health Professions - Other	150.71	3.22	325	0.44%	212	65.23%	181	55.69%
Business And Management	Business Management/Administration	148.75	3.14	301	0.41%	168	55.81%	134	44.52%
Natural Sciences	Chemistry, General	157.69	3.35	284	0.38%	226	79.58%	184	64.79%
Arts & Humanities	Classics	161.27	3.63	264	0.36%	220	83.33%	183	69.32%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Social Work	148.27	3.33	256	0.35%	154	60.16%	125	48.83%
Arts & Humanities	Literature	158.00	3.54	255	0.34%	192	75.29%	163	63.92%
Engineering	Mechanical Engineering	157.46	3.35	251	0.34%	197	78.49%	160	63.75%
Arts & Humanities	Art History	157.99	3.55	238	0.32%	191	80.25%	165	69.33%

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Social Sciences Helping Professions	Public Affairs/Services/Admin	150.96	3.38	238	0.32%	164	68.91%	141	59.24%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Womens Studies	156.59	3.51	232	0.31%	191	82.33%	162	69.83%
Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences - Other	156.41	3.37	221	0.30%	172	77.83%	148	66.97%
Arts & Humanities	Drama/Theatre Arts	156.89	3.50	201	0.27%	165	82.09%	133	66.17%
Engineering	Chemical Engineering	160.27	3.35	186	0.25%	143	76.88%	119	63.98%
Arts & Humanities	Film Production	156.25	3.38	182	0.25%	138	75.82%	116	63.74%
Engineering	Electrical Engineering	157.81	3.35	174	0.23%	132	75.86%	99	56.90%
Natural Sciences	Biochemistry	158.08	3.34	174	0.23%	143	82.18%	118	67.82%
Computer Science	Computer Science, General	161.57	3.47	173	0.23%	128	73.99%	96	55.49%
Health Professions	Health/Kinesiology	152.20	3.17	172	0.23%	131	76.16%	124	72.09%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Education, General	151.64	3.33	167	0.23%	118	70.66%	91	54.49%
Business And Management	Entrepreneurship	153.70	3.33	166	0.22%	122	73.49%	105	63.25%
Natural Sciences	Physics, General	163.20	3.52	154	0.21%	123	79.87%	95	61.69%
Business And Management	Human Resource Management	149.16	3.29	139	0.19%	97	69.78%	85	61.15%
Engineering	Bio/Biomedical	160.61	3.46	136	0.18%	115	84.56%	106	77.94%
Business And Management	Business And Commerce, General	152.28	3.35	134	0.18%	88	65.67%	65	48.51%
Arts & Humanities	German	159.15	3.61	128	0.17%	108	84.38%	89	69.53%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Family Relations/Child Development	150.57	3.46	128	0.17%	88	68.75%	76	59.38%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	African American Studies	150.46	3.29	127	0.17%	81	63.78%	61	48.03%
Arts & Humanities	Linguistics	160.82	3.53	122	0.16%	97	79.51%	76	62.30%
Engineering	Engineering - Other	159.38	3.31	114	0.15%	89	78.07%	74	64.91%
Business And Management	Management Science	152.08	3.31	109	0.15%	79	72.48%	68	62.39%
Arts & Humanities	Russian	158.63	3.57	108	0.15%	94	87.04%	81	75.00%
Arts & Humanities	Art/Design	152.77	3.37	106	0.14%	71	66.98%	61	57.55%

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Arts & Humanities	Performing Arts	156.32	3.50	106	0.14%	87	82.08%	77	72.64%
Health Professions	Nursing	147.98	3.24	104	0.14%	62	59.62%	47	45.19%
Natural Sciences	Agriculture	152.88	3.48	103	0.14%	81	78.64%	73	70.87%
Engineering	Civil Engineering	156.19	3.19	100	0.13%	62	62.00%	44	44.00%
Health Professions	Hospital/Health Care Administration	149.93	3.32	100	0.13%	59	59.00%	47	47.00%
Natural Sciences	Geography	156.64	3.41	96	0.13%	82	85.42%	67	69.79%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Elementary Education	150.06	3.51	91	0.12%	66	72.53%	50	54.95%
Health Professions	Premedical/Medicine	152.51	3.35	90	0.12%	62	68.89%	53	58.89%
Business And Management	Hotel/Restaurant Management	151.05	3.23	88	0.12%	55	62.50%	46	52.27%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Secondary Education	153.80	3.38	88	0.12%	70	79.55%	58	65.91%
Arts & Humanities	Fine Arts	152.11	3.29	79	0.11%	55	69.62%	43	54.43%
Business And Management	Advertising	153.60	3.36	79	0.11%	64	81.01%	56	70.89%
Arts & Humanities	Theology	157.44	3.47	74	0.10%	60	81.08%	57	77.03%
Computer Science	Management Information Systems	152.73	3.29	69	0.09%	49	71.01%	41	59.42%
Business And Management	Real Estate	152.36	3.28	68	0.09%	47	69.12%	42	61.76%
Natural Sciences	Geology/Earth Sciences	156.57	3.40	68	0.09%	55	80.88%	41	60.29%
Computer Science	Computer Information Systems	147.08	3.19	67	0.09%	36	53.73%	28	41.79%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Urban Studies/Regional Planning	153.87	3.38	66	0.09%	45	68.18%	37	56.06%
Engineering	Industrial Engineering	158.08	3.28	62	0.08%	48	77.42%	36	58.06%
Business And Management	Recreation Management	150.63	3.32	56	0.08%	42	75.00%	31	55.36%
Arts & Humanities	Visual Arts/Graphics	155.16	3.50	44	0.06%	33	75.00%	27	61.36%
Business And Management	Industrial Relations	162.05	3.56	44	0.06%	39	88.64%	35	79.55%
Business And Management	Insurance And Risk Management	153.16	3.35	44	0.06%	41	93.18%	39	88.64%
Natural Sciences	Chemistry, Specialization	155.51	3.29	43	0.06%	33	76.74%	27	62.79%

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Natural Sciences	Statistics	164.70	3.61	40	0.05%	26	65.00%	23	57.50%
Engineering	Computer Engineering	160.53	3.27	37	0.05%	32	86.49%	26	70.27%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Mexican American Studies	149.46	3.32	37	0.05%	16	43.24%	15	40.54%
Computer Science	Computer Science - Other	151.84	3.26	35	0.05%	23	65.71%	20	57.14%
Arts & Humanities	Architecture/Environmental Design	156.19	3.47	34	0.05%	24	70.59%	18	52.94%
Natural Sciences	Marine Studies	154.90	3.32	34	0.05%	26	76.47%	20	58.82%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	American Civilization	157.38	3.54	33	0.04%	27	81.82%	22	66.67%
Business And Management	Transportation And Commerce	153.07	3.33	32	0.04%	24	75.00%	21	65.63%
Computer Science	Information Sciences	150.07	3.00	31	0.04%	13	41.94%	12	38.71%
Health Professions	Dietetics/Nutritional Science	152.17	3.14	31	0.04%	23	74.19%	16	51.61%
Natural Sciences	Zoology	155.43	3.18	31	0.04%	26	83.87%	21	67.74%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Jurisprudence	150.66	3.45	30	0.04%	23	76.67%	21	70.00%
Health Professions	Speech Pathology/Audiology	149.56	3.40	29	0.04%	23	79.31%	21	72.41%
Engineering	Aerospace And Aeronautical	157.04	3.26	28	0.04%	18	64.29%	16	57.14%
Engineering	Petroleum Engineering	157.08	3.40	27	0.04%	27	100.00%	19	70.37%
Engineering	Environmental Engineering	160.52	3.47	25	0.03%	20	80.00%	18	72.00%
Arts & Humanities	Speech	150.71	3.21	24	0.03%	16	66.67%	13	54.17%
Business And Management	Sales/Retail	152.04	3.14	24	0.03%	16	66.67%	13	54.17%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Law Enforcement	147.05	3.17	23	0.03%	14	60.87%	13	56.52%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Special Ed/Disabilities/Handicapped	147.30	3.35	20	0.03%	9	45.00%	5	25.00%
Computer Science	Computer Programming	149.47	3.19	19	0.03%	6	31.58%	4	21.05%
Health Professions	Pharmacy	152.11	3.30	18	0.02%	14	77.78%	12	66.67%
Natural Sciences	Physics, Specialization	163.18	3.43	18	0.02%	15	83.33%	15	83.33%
Health Professions	Physical Therapy	148.41	3.19	17	0.02%	14	82.35%	8	47.06%

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Arts & Humanities	Library Studies	152.00	3.03	16	0.02%	11	68.75%	9	56.25%
Engineering	Nuclear Engineering	158.00	3.22	16	0.02%	11	68.75%	10	62.50%
Business And Management	Business Education	144.53	2.96	15	0.02%	7	46.67%	5	33.33%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Indian Studies	146.57	2.81	15	0.02%	8	53.33%	8	53.33%
Arts & Humanities	Home Economics	147.00	3.19	14	0.02%	7	50.00%	4	28.57%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Asian American Studies	154.00	3.45	14	0.02%	11	78.57%	9	64.29%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Military Science	153.31	3.23	14	0.02%	10	71.43%	6	42.86%
Health Professions	Medical Lab Technology/Radiology	146.08	3.03	13	0.02%	8	61.54%	7	53.85%
Natural Sciences	Physical Sciences	153.92	2.88	13	0.02%	11	84.62%	9	69.23%
Natural Sciences	Forestry	150.18	2.90	12	0.02%	7	58.33%	5	41.67%
Health Professions	Animal Sciences/Veterinary Medicine	153.55	3.19	11	0.01%	10	90.91%	9	81.82%
Natural Sciences	Astronomy	165.36	3.25	11	0.01%	10	90.91%	8	72.73%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Police Administration	144.60	3.38	11	0.01%	7	63.64%	4	36.36%
Engineering	Construction Engineering	149.00	2.90	10	0.01%	7	70.00%	4	40.00%
Business And Management	Industrial Management	156.22	3.02	9	0.01%	7	77.78%	7	77.78%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Bilingual Education	151.78	3.41	9	0.01%	5	55.56%	4	44.44%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Education/Administration	150.89	3.38	9	0.01%	7	77.78%	5	55.56%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Inter American Relations	152.22	3.24	9	0.01%	8	88.89%	7	77.78%
Arts & Humanities	Practical Arts	153.14	3.11	8	0.01%	5	62.50%	4	50.00%
Engineering	Engineering Technologies/Design	150.25	2.69	8	0.01%	5	62.50%	5	62.50%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Guidance/Counseling	146.14	3.55	8	0.01%	5	62.50%	3	37.50%
Business And Management	Personnel Management	148.50	3.35	7	0.01%	5	71.43%	5	71.43%
Health Professions	Predentistry/Dentistry	153.00	2.79	7	0.01%	4	57.14%	4	57.14%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Archeology	152.57	3.45	7	0.01%	6	85.71%	4	57.14%

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Social Sciences Helping Professions	Recreation And Leisure Services	153.86	3.58	7	0.01%	6	85.71%	5	71.43%
Engineering	Architectural Engineering	160.00	3.135	6	0.01%	6	100.00%	6	100.00%
Engineering	Electronic Engineering	146.83	3.24	6	0.01%	2	33.33%	2	33.33%
Health Professions	Occupational Therapy	152.40	3.6	6	0.01%	4	66.67%	3	50.00%
Natural Sciences	Biophysics	163.83	3.495	6	0.01%	6	100.00%	6	100.00%
Natural Sciences	Botany	158.83	3.28	6	0.01%	5	83.33%	5	83.33%
Natural Sciences	Oceanography	155.20	3.17	5	0.01%	3	60.00%	3	60.00%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Educational Psychology	154.80	3.38	5	0.01%	3	60.00%	3	60.00%
Social Sciences Helping Professions	Physical Education	146.60	3.21	5	0.01%	3	60.00%	2	40.00%