

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION CHECKLIST FOR: SJD Applicants

The SJD Program at Northwestern Pritzker Law is limited to students or graduates of Northwestern's LLM Program who are interested in careers in academia or scholarship. Candidates may apply during their second semester of study, after a meeting with the Director of International Programs to discuss research interests and identify a potential faculty sponsor.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

Application for Admission

The application for admission will be available from the International Programs Office after a consultation with the Director of International Programs. The application should be completed in its entirety to the best of your ability.

Statement of Intent

In place of a traditional personal statement, you should provide a statement describing your academic and career objectives and how the SJD degree will advance you towards them.

Dissertation Proposal

You must submit a well-written dissertation proposal, no longer than five pages, that describes your scholarly research goals.

According to the Rules and Regulations of Northwestern Pritzker Law, your dissertation should involve "original research and must be completed in such a manner, as to both subject matter and literary form, as to be, in the opinion of the Faculty, a significant and scholarly contribution to a legal science."

Curriculum Vitae/Résumé

You are required to submit a one to two-page curriculum vitae (CV) or résumé written in English. The CV should highlight previous research and scholarly publications.

Letter(s) of Recommendation

You must submit at least one letter of recommendation from a Northwestern professor who taught you during your LLM studies.

Transcripts

You must submit a copy of your Northwestern LLM transcript from CAESAR. Transcripts of prior studies are available from the LLM application process.