



PRE-LAW

Get Prepared and be Pre-Law at NEBRASKA!

Explore Center Advising. Pre-Law students at NEBRASKA have access to everything you need to be prepared for law school through the Explore Center. Take advantage of full-time professional advisors who are skilled and knowledgeable in assisting pre-law students across all majors. Advisors will help you explore whether a career in law is right for you and guide you as you prepare for law school over the course of your undergraduate career. In addition, you will have access to programs that are designed to help you as a Pre-Law student including: Law School Admission Test (LSAT) preparation, job shadowing, succeeding at the application process, and understanding current trends/issues. When you are ready to apply to law school, your pre-law advisor will be there to help you put all of the pieces of a strong law school application together.

Why NEBRASKA for Pre-Law?

In addition to advising and preparation support through the Explore Center, NEBRASKA is the ideal place to develop academically, personally, and professionally in ways that will open doors for you as you progress toward a legal career.

ACADEMICS

Law school is hard. NEBRASKA prepares you by offering courses that will challenge you to build the kinds of skills you will need to be successful in law school. Our faculty teach rigorous and thought-provoking courses in writing, communication, critical analysis, legal concepts, the constitution, history, and government – all subjects that will provide you with the academic background on which to build your future legal education. Examples of some of our law-related classes include: Brain, Behavior & Politics; Courts, Judges, and Lawyers; or American Jurisprudence. Our Constitutional Law course is available to undergraduate students and is taught by a Nebraska College of Law professor- giving you unique exposure to a law class before applying.

CONNECTIONS

At NEBRASKA, you can make connections with law schools and the legal community in Lincoln even as an undergraduate. The Explore Center arranges workshops, events, and advising days with law schools from around the country. You can meet one-on-one with admission officials at your dream law schools right here on campus through the Explore Center's Professional Visitor Program. Dean's and faculty of law schools come to campus regularly to engage students in panel discussions or to present at student clubs. Take advantage of NEBRASKA's situation in the capital city of Nebraska by working as an intern or volunteer within our state's governing body.

INVOLVEMENT

NEBRASKA boasts extremely active student organizations in the area of law. Organizations such as the Mock Trial Club, the Pre-Law Club, Speech and Debate, and ASUN host law-related speakers, engage in community service together, compete in national competitions, or participate in student body governance. Our first year Pre-Law Learning Community helps you start off one step ahead in your preparation for law school.

All these growth and leadership opportunities are waiting for you at NEBRASKA!

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Academic preparation for law school

Customize your education to fit your professional goals by working with advisors to design the course schedule that works best for you! Without specific requirements for law school, pre-law allows you to take courses that provide a broad base of knowledge; challenge you to develop skills in written and oral communication, and develop logical and analytical reasoning.

RECOMMENDED COURSE WORK

Writing & Editing
Writing: Rhetoric and Inquiry
Writing: Rhetoric and Argument
Writing and Communities
Any 200, 300, or 400 level English courses

Analytical Reasoning & Problem Solving Skills
Applied Calculus
Calculus I
Contemporary Mathematics
Introduction to Statistics
Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking
Introduction to Modern Logic
Political Philosophy
Theory of Knowledge

Oral Communication & Listening Skills
Public Speaking
Intercultural Communication
Business and Professional Communication
Argumentation
Interviewing
Theories of Persuasion
Communication in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

Sample UNL Law-related Undergraduate Courses
Legal Environment
Survey of Criminal Justice
The Criminal Court System
The Legal and Business Aspects of Creative Activity
Legal Aspects of Aging
American Constitutional History I
Mass Media Law
Medical Ethics
Environmental Ethics
Philosophy of Law
Courts, Judges, and Lawyers
Myths and Realities of the Justice System
Psychology and Law
Sociology of Crime
Political Sociology

Professional school Requirements:

- **Undergraduate Credit:**
Bachelor's degree
- **Entrance Exam:**
Law School Admissions Test (LSAT)
- **Professional Schooling:**
2 - 5 years of law school (usually 3)
- **Local Professional Schools:**
University of Nebraska College of Law - Lincoln;
Creighton - Omaha

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