



WashU Law

GRADUATE AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS



FACT SHEET 2025-2026

ORIENTATION

Fall 2025 Mandatory Orientation: August 1

Fall 2025 Orientation Activities: August 4-8

Fall 2025 Orientation Class: August 11-15

Spring 2026 Orientation: January 5-9

NOTE: Orientation is required for all new students unless they hold a JD degree from a U.S. law school

NOMINATION & APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall 2025 Nominations Due: April 1, 2025

Spring 2026 Nominations Due: September 1, 2025

Fall 2025 Applications Due: May 15, 2025

Spring 2026 Applications Due: October 1, 2025

SEMESTER DATES

Fall Semester Classes: August 25-November 26

Final Exam Period for the Fall Semester: December 1-December 12

Spring Semester Classes: January 12-April 17

Final Exam Period for the Spring Semester: April 20-May 1

REQUIRED MATERIALS

1. Academic Transcripts in English
2. TOEFL (Must come through ETS), IELTS or GATEWAY score report for non-native English speakers

COURSE DIRECTORY

A list of courses for the current academic year can be found here:

<https://law.washu.edu/academics/registrar-office/curricular-offerings/>

CONTACT REGISTRAR

Website:

<https://law.washu.edu/academics/registrar-office/>

Phone: (314) 935-4610

Email: registrar@wulaw.wustl.edu

Location: Room 210, Anheuser-Busch Hall

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GRADES & EXAM INFORMATION

Information regarding grade distributions, percentiles and exam information may be found here: <https://law.wustl.edu/academics/registrars-office/>

COURSE LOAD

Exchange students need to be enrolled in at least 9 units to be considered full-time under the student visa. It is not recommended that exchange students register for more than 12 units per semester.

If a student would like to enroll in more than 12 units, they will need the approval of Dean Heil-Chapdelaine in the office of Graduate and International Programs

OISS CHECK-IN

All international students must check in at the OISS as soon as possible after arriving in St. Louis.

You may check in online here:

<https://oiss.washu.edu/after-us-arrival/#checking-in>

When you check in, please have the following documents available:

- Passport bio page
- F-1 or J-1 visa entry stamp
- I-94 arrival record
- Certificate of Completion of the required online course [here](#).

OISS INFORMATION

The OISS is located in the Alumni House at 6510 Wallace Drive and is a 5-10 minute walk from the law school.

Telephone: (314) 935-5910

Email: oiss@wustl.edu

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Students seeking academic support should first contact the professor teaching the course for which they would like support. The professor should then direct them to appropriate resources. Students may also contact Dean Heil-Chapdelaine for assistance.

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

There are many resources available for students who may need academic support. University-provided support includes: the Center for Academic Support and Legal Writing (CASL) located in the law school, Disability Resources (DR), and Advising and Mentoring.

Please visit the [student resources page](#) to find out more.

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BEAR BUCKS

Bear Bucks is a cashless system on the WUSTL ID card which can be used to make purchases on campus and through the Grubhub app.

You can find additional information about the service here: <https://card.wustl.edu/bear-bucks/>

CAMPUS DINING

There are a number of campus area dining options including cafeterias at the Law School, Mallinckrodt Center, the Village, the Danforth University Center, and Parkside Cafe. These locations accept Bear Bucks.

For more information on the various options, visit: <https://dining-services.wustl.edu/>

WASHU KEY

Your WashU Key is the combination of your WashU CONNECT Login ID and password. You can use it to access WashU CONNECT applications including Workday and the Student Health Services Portal.

You will receive information on how to set up your WashU Key before the semester and course registration starts.

Visit the WUSTL CONNECT website for further instructions and FAQs: <https://it.wustl.edu/items/wustl-connect/>

OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

The Office of International Student Engagement offers program and activities to promote cultural engagement and a warm and friendly environment for international students.

For more information about their events and programming, see their website here: <https://internationalstudents.washu.edu/about/>

IDENTIFICATION CARD

All students are issued an official Washington University student ID, this card provides access to various academic buildings, libraries, as well as meal plans and Bear Bucks.

As soon as you arrive on campus, please visit the Campus Card Services in Mallinckrodt Center on the Danforth Campus to be issued your card. Hours of operation are M-F, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM.

If you lose your ID, the cost of a replacement card is \$25.

NOTE: You must present some form of positive identification with a picture ID to obtain your card, such as a passport.

HOUSING

The university does not provide housing to graduate students. Law is considered a graduate program so exchange students are considered graduate students at the university.

A housing guide will be provided upon admission to the program and students are encouraged to visit the admitted students' page for more housing resources.

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TEMPORARY HOUSING

Many hotels near the university offer discounted rates to Washington University students. For a list of hotels that may offer a discount, visit the following site:
<https://admissions.washu.edu/visit-and-engage-with-us/lodging/>

STUDENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS FEE

The health fee payment deadline for the fall semester is generally due August 20 and is due around January 20 for the spring semester. Payment information can be viewed through Workday.

HEALTH INSURANCE

The Washington University health insurance plan is underwritten by UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company.

The University plan is mandatory for all international students. Domestic students may waive WU coverage if they have adequate coverage through another plan.

For details about the insurance plan and also available health and wellness services, please visit the Student Health Services website here:
<https://studenthealth.med.wustl.edu/>

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

Habif Health and Wellness provides medical care to students to support their mental, physical and emotional well-being.

See the following website for immunization requirements and services:
<https://studenthealthcenter.washu.edu/services-provided/immunizations-screening/>

The office is located on the Danforth Campus in the Nathan Dardick House, Lower Level.

ARRIVAL TO CAMPUS

Taxi: Taxis are available 24 hours a day and can be picked up directly at both airport terminals. The cost from the airport is about \$30-40 USD, plus a 15-20% tip.

MetroLink: The MetroLink light rail system has a station at Lambert Airport's Main and East Terminals, as well as two stations on the Danforth Campus including the Skinker and Big Bend Stations. For fares and departure information, go to <https://www.metrostlouis.org/>

For more information about getting from St. Louis Lambert airport to Washington University, visit:
<https://oiss.washu.edu/planning-for-us-arrival/>

TECH SERVICES

The University provides printing credit to be used at any printers on campus. You must set up your WashU Key to print from your personal laptop to locations across campus.

Please follow the instructions on the Student Technology website here: <https://sts.wustl.edu/>

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U-PASS

The St. Louis Metro provides bus and light rail service to location across the Metro St. Louis area. Washington University and Metro work together for the U-Pass program which provides free Metro passes to full-time students.

In order to be issued a U-Pass, students must complete a U-Pass request form online each semester and their course registration must be complete.

To register and for more information visit:
<https://parking.wustl.edu/items/metro-upass/>

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Parking is a limited resource at WashU, meaning that all members of the community must purchase parking permits in order to use university parking facilities.

To learn more about student parking and permit options, as well as the related services provided by the university, refer to the Parking and Transportation website here: <https://parking.wustl.edu/students/>

ENTERPRISE CARSHARE

Every member of the WashU community is eligible to apply for membership which allows for the rental of vehicles across campus at discounted rates by the hour, day, or overnight.

For more information, visit:
<https://parking.wustl.edu/items/enterprise-carshare/>

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The School of Law supports a broad variety of student groups representing a wide spectrum of opinion.

To find a listing of student organizations and other student activities to complement your academic pursuits, visit: <https://law.washu.edu/life-at-washulaw/student-organizations/>

SUMERS RECREATION CENTER

Membership is free to students who are registered full-time. The recreation center has an indoor and outdoor track, a gymnasium, swimming pool, and treadmills among other various fitness machines and options.

You can find information on intramurals sports offered in the facility here:
<https://washubears.com/news/2025/1/27/recreation-register-for-intramural-sports.aspx>

WASHU LAW FUN FACTS

WashU became the first chartered law school in America to admit women when it admitted Lemma Barkeloo and Phoebe Couzens to its law department.

WashULaw was founded in 1867, making it the oldest law school west of the Mississippi River that has been in continuous operation.

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