Name of University: Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law


General Information:

Founded in 1859, the school that would become known as the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law was the first law school established in the city of Chicago. Today, Northwestern Law advances the understanding of law and produces graduates prepared to excel in a rapidly changing world.

Northwestern Law uniquely blends a rigorous intellectual environment with a collegial and supportive community. Our students have access to the most interdisciplinary research faculty in the nation. We also have one of the lowest student-faculty ratios, so our students enjoy an unusual amount of individual access to these scholars, even after graduation.

Our lakefront location in the heart of downtown Chicago provides a spectacular setting in which to live and study. A major world financial center, Chicago is the third largest city in the United States and one of its largest legal markets. Northwestern Law’s proximity to courts, commerce, and public interest activities enables students to experience the practice of law, as well as its theory, in one of the most vibrant legal and business communities in the world. You can find more information [here](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/law-school-life/studentservices/intlprograms/studentexchange/).

Curriculum:

Exchange students are free to design their own program of study from most of the Law School’s many upper-level courses and seminars, including commercial and corporate, international, constitutional, and human rights law. They do not have access to practicum or clinical courses.

Course listings for the fall semester can be found [here](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/law-school-life/studentservices/intlprograms/studentexchange/).

Course listings for the spring semester can be found [here](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/law-school-life/studentservices/intlprograms/studentexchange/).

Please be aware that courses are subject to change for the upcoming school year.

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Application Deadline for Fall 2017: March 1st, 2017
First Day of Orientation Fall 2017: August 21st, 2017
Last Day of Orientation Fall 2017: August 27th, 2017
Application Deadline for Spring 2018: October 1st, 2017

The Orientation Program is (select one)
  - mandatory
  - optional
  - **strongly recommended**

First Day of Classes Fall 2017: August 28, 2017
Last Day of Classes Fall 2017: November 29, 2017
First Day of Exams Fall 2017: December 2, 2017
Last Day of Exams Fall 2017: December 14, 2017

Link to Academic Calendar:
http://www.law.northwestern.edu/academics/acad_calendar/?yr=2017

Mandatory Course Load for Exchange Students: 8 credits

Are there any mandatory courses for exchange students or restrictions on some courses? No mandatory courses, registration is due through a bidding process and enrollment is dependent on bid amounts. Exchange students may take all classes that LLM students may take.

Do students need a visa to study at your institution?
  - If yes, please briefly explain the visa application process (required documents, etc.)
After you have been accepted you will need to begin the visa application process. Our Admissions Department will send you a Visa Instruction Packet and a Pre-Matriculation Guide to help prepare you for your semester here. We will also send you a Registration and Course Guide that provides information about signing up for classes. We recommend that you review all of these...
Housing:

The law school does not have on-campus housing. StudentSpace is a free apartment finding service located in the Streeterville area. They are available to help you find the perfect apartment in the city at no extra charge. A list of frequently asked questions about housing is available on the Student Housing website.

Location of housing:

- McClurg Court Center, 333 E. Ontario
- Axis, 441 E. Erie
- Cityfront Place, 400 N. McClurg Court
- The Streeter Luxury Apartments, 345 E. Ohio
- The Chatelaine, 215 E. Chestnut
- Lake Shore Plaza, 445 E. Ohio
- 420 E. Ohio Apartments
- 860 N DeWitt
- Related Midwest, 500 N. Lake Shore Drive
- Atwater Apartments, 355 E. Ohio

Health Insurance Requirements:

All Northwestern degree seeking students are required to have adequate health insurance. Students may meet this requirement by enrolling in the Northwestern University Student Health Insurance Plan (NU-SHIP), sponsored by Aetna Student Health. International students are required by NU policy to enroll in the NU-SHIP, and maintain active coverage throughout their time at Northwestern. Northwestern’s student insurance plan, provided by Aetna Student Health, is a high-quality platinum level plan designed specifically for NU students. Complete details of the plan, including coverages, premiums and deductibles can be found on the Student Health Insurance website at [www.northwestern.edu/student-insurance](http://www.northwestern.edu/student-insurance).

*This information is subject to change for the 2017-2018 school year.

Required Immunizations:

All entering students must complete an Admissions Health Record (AHR) form ([http://www.northwestern.edu/healthservice-evanston/administrative-services/forms/assets/ahr-nonhealth.pdf](http://www.northwestern.edu/healthservice-evanston/administrative-services/forms/assets/ahr-nonhealth.pdf)). Required immunizations/screenings are:

- MMR (combined measles, mumps, rubella
- Tetanus/Diphtheria series
- Tetanus/Diphtheria booster
- Tuberculosis screening
Additional information can be found on the AHR form

**Estimated Cost of Living:**

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**Exchange students will incur the following fees:**

- Student Activity Fee of $150
- A $200 fee paid online once the I-20 Visa has been received
- Health Insurance - $2530 (price subject to change)

Amanda Hansen, in the Office of Admissions, will provide instructions when the DS-2019 document is ready.

**Language Requirements:**

Valid TOEFL or IELTS score. May be waived by completion of a language assessment interview with our ESL specialist.

**Application Documents:**

- Transcript
- Letter of recommendation
- Personal Statement
- Application