

# LEAP

EARN A **BA** AND **LAW**  
DEGREE IN SIX YEARS

 HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY



## Admission Requirements

Admission to Hofstra's Legal Education Accelerated Program (LEAP) is open only to first-year students and is highly selective. Applicants are expected to:

- Earn a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale or be in the top 15% of their high school graduating class.
- Earn an SAT score of 1290 (evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics) or an ACT composite score of 27.
  - Test-optional applicants are recommended to take a math course above Algebra 2 and take an Advanced Placement (AP) Science or Math exam, and an AP English Literature or English exam. Candidates will be expected to score a minimum of 4 on each AP exam. Students may also participate in an equivalent International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum.
- After acceptance to Hofstra, qualified students will receive the LEAP supplemental application. *Please see the timeline below.*

Submit an application via the Hofstra or Common Application, available at [hofstra.edu/apply](https://hofstra.edu/apply).



Receive your general admission decision via mail and online through the Hofstra portal.



Complete the LEAP supplemental application.



Receive your LEAP admission decision via mail.

Matriculation to the Maurice A. Deane School of Law is predicated on a number of undergraduate factors. For these requirements and answers to other frequently asked questions, please visit [hofstra.edu/leap](https://hofstra.edu/leap).







Now you can earn a  
**LAW DEGREE**  
in one year less than usual.

## The LEAP Advantage

*Completing Hofstra's Legal Education Accelerated Program (LEAP) offers many advantages, including:*

- Saving one year of time and tuition by completing a Bachelor of Arts (BA) and Juris Doctor (JD) in six years, rather than seven.
- Any undergraduate merit-based scholarships may be applied to law school tuition during the fourth year of LEAP.
- All first-year LEAP students are encouraged to take a seminar titled Law, Politics, and Society. The course explores how legal rules and constitutional norms have developed and how the role of the lawyer relates to larger ideals of a just society.
- LEAP students receive free LSAT test prep in their junior year.
- Students complete the BA in Hofstra College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. When hiring, the best law firms seek candidates with strong critical thinking, reading, and writing skills, all of which are emphasized in a liberal arts education.
- Participation in LEAP does not bind a student to enter the Maurice A. Deane School of Law or any other law school.

If you are a high-achieving and disciplined incoming first-year student interested in pursuing a career in law, LEAP creates a rare opportunity. It gives you the chance to focus sharply and immediately on the liberal arts major you have chosen, and then to advance quickly toward studying the law and using it to make your mark.

– Rosanna Perotti, Associate Professor of Political Science

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