



Early Decision Program

The Early Decision program at Duke Law School is available to selected candidates on an invitation-only basis. The program is most appropriate for candidates who have concluded that Duke is their first choice for law school and who do not anticipate the need to compare offers of financial aid in making a decision about where to matriculate. Candidates who apply through the binding Early Decision program may apply to other law schools, but are not permitted to apply to other binding early decision programs. If admitted to Duke Law School, Early Decision candidates will be required to immediately withdraw their applications at other law schools, refrain from submitting new applications, and submit a \$500 tuition deposit by January 11, 2008.

The Early Decision program is available for candidates who wish to apply to either the traditional JD program at Duke, or JD/LLM in International and Comparative Law. The program is not available to candidates who wish to apply to joint degree programs with other departments.

While admission through the binding Early Decision program is selective, the fact that Duke is the applicant's first choice school will be considered as a positive factor in the review process.

Duke Law School will notify Early Decision candidates about their status no later than December 28, 2007. Some Early Decision candidates may be "held" for review in the regular cycle; candidates who are held for consideration in the regular cycle will no longer be bound by the terms of the Early Decision agreement. Duke Law School reserves the right to provide other law schools with the names of candidates admitted through this binding Early Decision program.

Instructions

Please submit this signed contract to the Office of Admission no later than November 16, 2007. You should submit your application for admission by November 16, 2007. No application fee is required for Early Decision candidates. You may use the LSAC electronic application service or you may submit your application directly to the Law School. Your file must be complete no later than December 7, 2007. A complete file includes: application form, LSDAS Report, personal statement, resume, and two letters of recommendation.

Certification

I have carefully read the above information and fully understand the policies and requirements of the Early Decision program. If admitted through the Early Decision program, I will matriculate at Duke Law School in the 2008 term. I agree to immediately withdraw all applications that I have filed to other law schools and to file no new applications if admitted to Duke as an Early Decision candidate. I understand that I am not permitted to enter a binding Early Decision agreement at any other law school. If admitted through Early Decision, I understand that Duke may inform other law schools that I have committed to enroll at Duke Law School. By signing below, I agree to abide by all the rules of Duke Law School's Early Decision program.

Name (print)

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LSAC Number

Signature

Date

Please mail this contract to Duke Law School • Office of Admissions • Science Drive and Towerview Road • Box 90393 • Durham, NC 27708-0393, or fax to (919) 613-7257.