



UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI – ST. LOUIS &  
SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE  
TRANSFER GUIDE



This Guide is intended for the use of students who plan on transferring from Southwestern Illinois College (SWIC) to the University of Missouri – St. Louis (UMSL) to pursue a Pre-Law education in preparation for Law School.

Pre-Law is not a major or a stand-alone degree program. Instead, Pre-Law students will work with the UMSL Pre-Law Advisor, who will help them select the right courses within or in addition to their Bachelors degree's requirements, prepare for and complete the LSAT (Law School Admission Test), and to explore the various professional Law Schools and programs available, as well as their application processes and requirements. UMSL Pre-Law students may pursue a Bachelors degree at UMSL in any area of study. More information on being Pre-Law at UMSL as well as tools for all Pre-Law students can be found on the UMSL [website](#).

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For Pre-Law students who first attend SWIC before transferring to UMSL, it is recommended that they pursue the Associate in Arts. Within the requirements of this program, students are also encouraged to complete courses that apply in transfer to their chosen UMSL Bachelors Degree. For course recommendations specific to your chosen UMSL Bachelors Degree, please refer to the appropriate UMSL/SWIC Transfer Guide for that major found [here](#).

There is not a specific list of courses required for entrance into Law School. Rather, the Pre-Law Committee of the American Bar Association has established a list of recommended skills and proficiencies that are critical for success on the LSATs and in Law School. These skills can be developed through a varying list of courses, dependent on the student's major and course history. It is recommended that you contact the UMSL Pre-Law Advisor, Dr. William Dunaway, for further information regarding being a Pre-Health student. He can be reached at [dunawayw@umsl.edu](mailto:dunawayw@umsl.edu).

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