



CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF LAW

Waitlist FAQ

- **Why does the School of Law have an admission waitlist and how did I end up on it?**
 - Due to the size of the applicant pool and enrollment limitations we are not able to extend an offer of admission to every admissible candidate. The Admission Committee has identified applicants that we hope will enrich the class if space becomes available. Receiving a waitlist status does not guarantee that an offer will be granted.
- **When will the Admission Office be notifying waitlist applicants of a decision?**
 - The Admission Committee makes decisions throughout the application cycle. As seats become available, all waitlisted applicants are considered for each viable spot. The majority of the decisions on waitlisted applicants occur in April and June; after the deposit deadline. All active applicants remain in consideration until the first day of class. The most accurate way to see if you were extended an offer of admission is to utilize your online status checker.
- **Is the waitlist ranked?**
 - We do not rank our waitlist. If space becomes available the Admission Committee will review all active waitlist candidates, which allow for any additional submitted material to be taken into consideration.
- **What can I do now to express my continued interest?**
 - You should complete the online [waitlist reply form](#) to indicate whether or not you wish to remain on the waitlist. Doing so will notify us if you wish to be placed on the active waitlist for the fall enrollment or to withdraw your application from the School of Law. You may provide **one** letter of continued interest to the Admission Committee with any significant changes since the submission of your application (e.g., job change, promotion, award).
- **How do I inform the Admission Committee that Chapman Law is my first choice?**
 - To express your interest in matriculating at Chapman Law in the fall, submit your continued letter of interest with your explanation. Although a student's academic credentials are a considerable measure for admission, we also may take into account the level of interest that the student has to enroll in Chapman Law. We will also consider new LSAT scores.

- **Other schools have offered me admission and they want me to make a commitment; what do I do if I am still very interested in attending Chapman Law?**
 - A waitlist offer has no guarantees that an admit offer will be extended. The waitlist has an ongoing review process where applicants can be removed or admitted at any time. Please also keep in mind that we make offers of admission from the waitlist up to the first day of classes in August. You may place a deposit at another school while remaining on Chapman Law's waitlist.

- **How many people are on the waitlist?**
 - At this time, we do not know how many students will accept our waitlist offer. The waitlist has an ongoing review process where applicants can be removed or admitted at any time.

- **How many people will you admit from the waitlist this year?**
 - It varies from year to year. The number of students that place deposits and accept our offer of admission along with projected incoming class size will dictate how many people, if any, are extended an offer from the waitlist. As each year is different, it is hard to predict the chances for an individual candidate.

- **Will I still be eligible for financial aid and/or scholarships (for U.S. citizens & permanent residents)?**
 - Consideration for federal financial aid begins once a person has been admitted; please be sure a [FAFSA](#) is completed and submitted to Chapman Law as soon as possible to expedite the financial aid review process. Our school code is **E00867**.

- **If I am admitted from the waitlist, how much time will I have to accept the offer?**
 - It depends on when you are admitted. As we approach the first day of school, an admitted waitlist candidate will have less time to make that decision. If you decline our offer of admission, we must promptly admit another applicant off the waitlist. Each admit who accepts our offer must have sufficient time to logistically prepare for matriculation.

- **Can I submit another Letter of Recommendation?**
 - All letters of recommendation must be sent directly to LSAC. Any recommendations that are mailed to Chapman Law will be returned. A maximum of three letters, total, will be reviewed.

- **If I have made plans to attend another law school and wish to be removed from Chapman Law's waitlist, what should I do?**
 - You should complete the online [waitlist reply form](#) to indicate that you do not wish to remain on the waitlist. This will allow us to extend an offer to an applicant that is still interested in attending Chapman Law. For statistical purposes, we would appreciate knowing which school you decided to enroll.

- **May I request an interview?**
 - Interviews are only conducted upon Admission Committee request. Applicants may not request an interview.