

University of Florida Levin College of Law
Office of Admissions
2019
Wait List FAQ's

1) What is the wait list?

In order to ensure that we enroll the target number of students in the entering class, the Office of Admissions creates a “wait list” of candidates each year. Candidates on the wait list are those that UF Law feels are competitive for a possible later vacancy in the entering class. We believe, given your credentials, you would be successful at UF Law should a position within the class become available. Waitlisted candidates will be considered for seats in the class that may become open before the beginning of Orientation.

2) How many people are on the wait list?

There are usually a hundred or more candidates on the wait list. The Office of Admissions extends a number of wait list offers, however, not all candidates choose to remain on the wait list. Therefore, the size of the waitlist may fluctuate during the cycle.

3) Is the wait list ranked?

The wait list is unranked and all files are re-reviewed by our office on an on-going basis. This process can continue up until the beginning of Orientation.

4) How many people do you admit from the wait list?

The number of students who are offered admission from the wait list varies from year to year. It depends on how many students submit a deposit and how many students later withdraw from UF Law to pursue other plans. As we monitor the number of seat deposits and withdrawals, our office reviews the wait list and makes decisions accordingly.

5) What factors does the Office of Admissions consider when reviewing the wait list?

The wait list review process is comparative and holistic. Our office will review waitlisted candidates against each other and will look for demonstrated strength in areas such as LSAT score, undergraduate GPA, writing skills, breadth of studies, and other criteria such as work/life experience, activities and leadership experience.

6) How do I increase my chances of being admitted from the wait list?

Candidates who were completing a Bachelor's degree at the time of application are strongly encouraged to submit updated transcripts with final grades to LSAC. Our office will consider any updates to GPAs and transcripts. Additionally, candidates should email any significant resume updates to our office as an attachment.

Letters of continued interest are also very helpful. These letters should be submitted as email attachments (admissions@law.ufl.edu), or via postal mail. *Additional letters of recommendation, updated personal statements, etc. are not required or necessary.*

*****And of course, you should submit your Wait List Confirmation form as soon as possible and by the deadline assigned in your wait list offer, so that we may add you to the active wait list.*****

7) When will I be notified about an offer from the wait list?

Applicants could be offered a seat in the class from the wait list anytime from now up until the beginning of Orientation. Unfortunately, there are many “unknowns” throughout the wait list process. We will periodically update you about any wait list activity.

8) If I am offered a seat in the entering class, how will I be notified?

The Office of Admissions will contact you via telephone and/or email regarding any activity on the wait list that may affect you directly. *Therefore, please let us know of any changes to your telephone number or email address, check your voicemail and email regularly, and ensure that your computer’s filters accept UF Law emails.*

9) If I am offered admission how long would I have to accept an offer?

The wait list process moves quickly if space becomes available in the entering class; candidates admitted from the wait list generally have 24 - 48 hours to make a decision as to whether they will accept the offer of admission. ***Acceptance of an offer will require a \$200 deposit as well as the submission of an enrollment form that certifies that you have withdrawn from all other law schools to which you have been admitted.***

10) Should I visit the campus?

Given the short turnaround time to accept an offer of admission, we recommend visiting ahead of time since we may not be able to grant extensions for visits to be arranged. For more information about our Tour schedule, please visit: <https://www.law.ufl.edu/admissions/explore-uf-law/visiting-uf-law>

11) If I am admitted from the wait list, will I be eligible for merit-based scholarships and financial aid?

Subject to the availability of funds, candidates admitted from the wait list will be evaluated for merit-based scholarships in the same manner as other admitted candidates. Candidates should complete a [FAFSA](#) if they wish to be considered for federal loans. (Priority deadline is December 15; UF’s FAFSA code is 001535.) We also encourage you to review the cost of attendance posted on our website (<https://www.law.ufl.edu/admissions/costs-and-financial-aid>) so you can plan for financing your legal education.

12) Should I deposit at another school while I wait to hear from UF?

Candidates on the wait list should move forward with plans to attend another institution. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee a seat in the class or a time by which you may hear. Therefore, we encourage you to make alternate plans to ensure your enrollment at a law school for the fall term. In the event that we are able to offer you a seat in the class, and depending on the timing of the offer, you may risk losing a deposit made at another institution.

13) What if my plans change and I do not want to remain on your wait list?

If your plans change and you would like to withdraw from the wait list, please notify the Office of Admissions immediately via email (admissions@law.ufl.edu). We will update your file accordingly.

14) I applied through the Early Decision option. How does a wait list offer affect my Early Decision agreement?

Our wait list offer places you in the regular applicant pool and releases you from the obligations of the binding Early Decision option. Your application will be reviewed again during the regular admission cycle with other waitlisted candidates.

If you have any additional questions regarding the Wait List, please do not hesitate to contact us at admissions@law.ufl.edu or 352-273-0890.