Early Decision Agreement

Northeastern University School of Law offers a binding Early Decision program, designed for applicants who are confident that Northeastern is their first choice for law school and who are committed to enroll at Northeastern if admitted.

Early Decision applications are evaluated according to the same selection criteria as Early Action and Regular applications. However, the applicant’s commitment to attend Northeastern if admitted as an Early Decision candidate is specifically noted during the review process.

Applicants admitted through Early Decision commit themselves to matriculating at Northeastern and therefore should not apply to any other Early Decision programs during the same admissions cycle. Early Decision applicants may apply to other law schools via non-binding admission programs but must withdraw all applications to other law schools and not initiate any new applications if admitted to Northeastern. Northeastern reserves the right to provide peer law schools the names of applicants accepted under our Early Decision program.

While Early Decision applicants are eligible for merit- and need-based financial aid, specific information on individual financial aid awards will not be available until after Early Decision applicants receive notification of the decision on their application. Therefore, applicants for whom financial aid will be a significant factor in determining whether they will attend should carefully consider whether they want to apply as an Early Decision candidate, as they will not be able to compare financial aid awards from other law schools.

Early Decision applicants must submit their application via the Law School Admission Council website, no later than December 1st. The last administration of the LSAT Northeastern will consider for Early Decision candidates is the November test. Northeastern will render decisions for Early Decision candidates with completed applications by December 31st. If admitted as an Early Decision candidate, the applicant must submit a $500 non-refundable enrollment deposit no later than January 15th. Early Decision applications that remain incomplete by the application deadline will be automatically considered part of the Regular Decision admissions process. Early Decision applicants must indicate on the application that they are applying for the binding Early Decision program as well as submit this signed Early Decision Agreement.

If you agree to the above terms of the Early Decision program at Northeastern, you must complete this form and submit it as part of your application materials or via email to lawadmissions@northeastern.edu no later than December 1st.

Certification

I certify that I have read the above and understand the stated policies and practices that govern the Early Decision program at Northeastern University School of Law, and I wish to be considered as an Early Decision candidate. I have not submitted, nor will I submit, an application for Early Decision at any other law school nor will I enter into an Early Decision agreement with any other law school. I agree to submit a $500 non-refundable enrollment deposit by January 15th, and immediately withdraw all other law school applications if offered admission at Northeastern University School of Law. Additionally, I certify that I understand I will not have my personal financial aid information before the enrollment deposit is due. I understand that failure to honor any of the Early Decision commitments may result in revocation of an admission offer.

Applicant’s printed name: ___________________________  LSAC account number: ___________________________

Applicant’s signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________