HAMLINE UNIVERSITY LEGAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT
American Law and Legal Systems Major Information Sheet
The Law School Early Admission (3/3) Program

REQUIREMENTS

I. Declaration of Candidacy – Legal studies students who wish to be considered for early admission to Hamline University School of Law should declare their candidacy by filling out a Declaration of Major form and selecting a major in "American Law and Legal Systems" as soon as they decide to try for early admission. To do so, they meet with one of the Legal Studies faculty who will then serve as their advisor.

II. Specific required courses:

LGST 1250	Legal Research and Writing*	LGST 5900	Legal Studies Practicum**
PHIL 1130	Logic	LGST 5800	Senior Seminar in Legal Studies***

*Pre-requisite LGST 1110 or CJFS 1120.
**Pre -requisites for LGST 5900 will be waived for 3/3 students. Please see your advisor.
***Must be taken no earlier than the last semester of junior year.

III. Minor - American Law and Legal Systems majors must select and complete a minor outside the Legal Studies Department by the end of their junior year.

IV. Hamline Plan Requirements and 100 semester credits. American Law and Legal Systems majors must complete every part of the Hamline Plan and 100 semester credits by May of their junior year. Early admissions candidates must file the **"Intent to Graduate"** form by December of the junior year.

V. Breadth of Study: LSEA Majors must complete 76 credits outside the LGST Department by May of their junior year.

VI. Law School Admission requirements

A. Apply to Hamline University School of Law - Complete all necessary steps to apply for admission to the law school during the junior year. Application should be complete by March of the junior year. Contact Emily Dunsworth at edunsworth01@hamline.edu or 651-523-2463 for information.

B. Sit for the LSAT and complete the application process through the Law School Admission Council's website at www.LSAC.org. Students should sign up to take the LSAT test during their junior year. Materials and scholarship applications are available online and at the law school.

C. Contact Hamline University School of Law Admissions Office to discuss the profile recommended to be admitted to Hamline University School of Law as a 3/3 student.

Special Notes:

Continuation after the junior year - To continue as an American Law and Legal Systems major after the junior year, the student must be accepted for regular admission by Hamline University School of Law. To complete the major the student must then complete and transfer back to the College of Liberal arts twenty-eight (28) credits of successful law school work with a grade of C- or better.

Transfer students - Transfer students are eligible for early admission as American Law and Legal Systems majors. Transfer students must take a minimum of three of the four required classes in the major while enrolled in the College of Liberal Arts and all of other above requirements. Transfer students are encouraged to consult with the Transfer Coordinator in CLA admissions at (651)523-2207 or pre-law advisors Jeanne Kosieradzki at (651)523-2745, Jerry Krause at (651) 523-2327, Leondra Hanson at (651) 523-2678, Stephen Arnott at (651) 523-2582, or Meg Hobday at (651) 523-2629 as early as possible prior to transfer.

This program is designed for exceptional, highly motivated undergraduates who demonstrate academic excellence, maturity, and professionalism.