

Law School	Preferences for whom the two recommendations should be from:	Exact Language from Admissions
American University	No preference, whoever knows you better, likely a boss	"American doesn't necessarily have a preference- someone who can speak to a student's ability to succeed in law school. Often have a boss who knows them better than a professor."
Arizona State	No preference, but make sure they are all in before you hit submit	We accept both academic and professional letters, with no restrictions or preference. Letters of recommendation are optional, so if they are not in the CAS file when the candidate hits submit, then ASU will not wait and will consider your application without a letter of recommendation.
California Western	2 academic	Ideally both would be academic. If they don't have 2 academic, one from the employer will also suffice. More flexibility if the applicant is 5+ years out from school.
Case Western	At least one academic (and ideally 2 academic) if going straight through with no gap time; otherwise do 1 academic and the other from whoever will write the best letter- if in doubt go with 2 academic	We "always encourage students at the end of the day to focus on who can be the best advocate for them and that could be professors, employers, internship supervisors, some one who knows them from a campus role, or in the community. Professors do tend to write some of the most helpful letters because they know the students in a academic setting and we are evaluating them for an academic program. If students are coming straight through undergrad we would like to see at least one professor written letter. The other recommender can be at their discretion"
Chicago-Kent	2 academic unless multiple gap years	We "suggest that your letters of recommendation be written by a college professor who is familiar with you and your intellectual abilities. However, if you have been out of school for a few years, it may be better to submit a letter of recommendation from a supervisor or someone who knows you well and can speak to your intellectual abilities"
Emory University	No preference	No preference on whether to include two academic, two professional, or a mix.
Florida International University	At least 1 academic unless multiple gap years	If a student has been in school recently, would like to see one academic letter
Florida State University	1 academic/1 non	Recommends at least 1 academic letter (could be a coach, professor, TA) and the other could be an employer/supervisor. Thinks it is important to speak to skills.
George Mason	Whichever is more timely	We do not have a preference for who the writers should be, as long as they can provide meaningful insights into the applicant's abilities and potential for success in law school. Therefore, the writers could be professors, employers, or someone else who knows the applicant well. It may be beneficial for the applicant to consider what time period potential recommenders will be it attesting to, be it work or academics.
Howard University	2 academic	(Posted on website) "For applicants who are currently matriculating or who have recently graduated, we, prefer that <u>faculty members submit both letters</u> . If you are currently working on a full-time basis, letters from professional colleagues, employers, supervisors, or co-workers are acceptable."
Indiana University - Bloomington	2 academic	(Posted on website)While preference is given to letters from faculty members who are familiar with your academic strengths, we gladly welcome letters from employers or individuals who know you professionally.
Loyola Chicago	1 academic/1 non	"If the applicant is currently enrolled in undergraduate school or has graduated within the past three years, we like to see at least one academic letter of recommendation. For the second letter, it can also be from a faculty member, or a supervisor, etc."
Loyola University - Los Angeles	2 academic	(Posted on website) Letters can comment on the applicant's intellectual capacity, analytic and communication skills, and character traits. Although academic letters are preferred, letters submitted by the candidate's employer or supervisor are accepted.
Northeastern	Prefer at least one academic unless multiple gap years	"We recommend that students pick recommenders who know them well and can speak about the skills or traits that will make them a good candidate for law school. We typically suggest recent graduates submit an academic letter of recommendation, while students who have been in the workforce for a number of years may be more comfortable submitting a letter from a former employer."
University of Idaho	1 academic/1 non	We require 2 letters; one should be from professor, other should be from a professional who the applicant has either worked under or volunteered with. If unable to have this mix, can both be professional or both from a professor.
University of Minnesota	2 academic unless more than 2 years of gap	(Posted on website) The letters should be from persons in an academic setting who are personally familiar with an applicant's work and can attest to [their] ability to enter a competitive professional program. If an applicant has been out of college for more than two years, letters from an employer may be submitted instead.
University of Oregon	At least 1 academic unless multiple gap years	At least 1 professor/TA; if multiple gap years makes more sense to have a supervisor
University of Texas-Austin	non academic	Doesn't require academic recommendations; most effective LOR are written from professors/work supervisors who know you well to attest to your abilities.
University of Tulsa	at least 1 academic- for the second one pick the best letter overall	At least one professor, or an advisor, if they know the student better. May have a supervisor of internship write a letter if more detailed in advocacy for student. More emphasis "about the substance of the letter over who is writing."
University of Washington	2 academic unless multiple gap years	(Posted on website)The strongest recommendations are those submitted by a professor who knows an applicant's work well and can give a well-substantiated assessment of their academic potential. For applicants who have been out of school for some time, professional recommendations are appropriate.
William and Mary	2 academic	We prefer the letters to be from someone who knows you and your work in an academic setting, preferably professors.