

## Most Frequently Asked Questions on COVID-19 and Summer Law School Preparation Academy, Prelaw Advising, and Law School Application

### **Is the 2020 Summer Law School Preparation Academy (SLSPA) still scheduled?**

Yes, it is. All UTSA summer courses are offered online due to the status of the COVID-19; therefore, the SLSPA will go virtually. We understand that students count on summer for taking credit courses and graduating on time while preparing for law school and LSAT. We encourage you to visit our [UTSA website](#) for updates on the Coronavirus status, campus operations, and virtual instruction.

### **How about prelaw advising? Can I meet with my prelaw advisor?**

Due to the COVID 19 situation, prelaw advising is now virtual. If you are a UTSA Roadrunner, please contact via email the [Institute for Law and Public Affairs \(ILPA@UTSA.EDU\)](#) to set up a virtual prelaw advising appointment. You should provide your abc123 so that the appointment can be scheduled. After agreement on dates/times with your prelaw advisor, you will receive an invitation for the virtual meeting.

### **If I select the Credit/Not Credit grade option, will a Credit grade count against me for law school admissions?**

The LSAC excludes from conversion Passing grades from systems of one or two passing grades such as Credit/Not Credit grades, but credits for the work in these courses are totaled and reported separately as unconverted credits. Law schools do not “punish” students. Keep in mind that law schools’ admissions committees holistically review your law school application. This means that along with your GPA and LSAT score, your personal statement, resume, letters of recommendation, and any addenda you submit, will also be considered for law school admission. However, students should be careful when considering adopting the Credit/Non Credit or Pass/Fail grades. If students’ GPA is strong enough their GPA will remain the same, - but if students have a weak GPA, they should try their best and get a letter grade that will count to improve their GPA. Students should consider taking every opportunity to improve their GPA unless extenuating circumstances exist that affect students’ academic performance, and they cannot opt for letter grades. An addendum explaining this situation to law schools may be used and will suffice if this is the case.

### **What about the LSAT?**

The Law School Admission Council had introduced the LSAY Flex as a response to the COVID-19 situation. Please, visit the LSAC website for more information about test dates, changes, and cancellations at <https://www.lsac.org/update-coronavirus-and-lsat/lSAT-flex>