University of South Dakota - 2024 Standard 509 Information Report

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The Basics

Type of school	Public
Application deadline	July 1
Application fee	$35
Financial aid deadline	July 1

Academic Calendar

Term	Semesters
Months students may begin studying law	August
Months the Law School confers degrees	May, August, December
# of credit hours required to earn the JD	90

Curricular Offerings 2023-2024

	2023-2024
Average first-year section size, excluding Legal Research & Writing	43
Number of course titles, beyond the first year curriculum, offered last year	79
Number of upper division class room course sections with an enrollment:	
Under 25	59
25 to 49	13
50 to 74	4
75 to 99	3
100 +	0
Number of seats available in law clinics	24
Number of field placement positions filled	208
Number of seats available in simulation courses	92
Number of seminars	7
Number of co-curricular offerings	8

2024 First Year Class (Oct 6th 2023-Oct 5th 2024)

	2024
Completed Applications	366
Offers of Admission	240
Acceptance Rate (Percent)	65.57
Enrollees from Applicant pool	83
Enrollment rate from Completed Applications	22.68
Enrollment rate from Offers of Admission	34.58
Other first-year enrollees	3

	All	Full Time	Part Time
Total in First-year class	86	86	0
LSAT	**All**	**Full Time**	**Part Time**
LSAT Admissions Enrollees	83	83	0
75th Percentile	155	155	0
50th Percentile	152	152	0
25th Percentile	149	149	0
UGPA	**All**	**Full Time**	**Part Time**
75th Percentile	3.87	3.87	0.00
50th Percentile	3.55	3.55	0.00
25th Percentile	3.15	3.15	0.00
# not included in UGPA calculation	0	0	0
GRE	**All**	**Full Time**	**Part Time**
GRE Admissions Enrollees	3	3	0

Under ABA Standard 503, law schools are required to use a valid and reliable admission test to help assess an applicant's preparedness for the study of law. Because schools may choose what admission tests they will consider for admission, this section may look different for individual law schools. Only law schools with a variance from Standard 503 allowing them to use JD Next are able to report JD Next scores. Test score data for first year enrollees is presented for each type of test accepted by the law school, with one exception: where the number of students who were accepted using a particular test is fewer than 10, score percentile data is collected but not published in order to protect student privacy. In all other cases, statistical data will be presented for each test that is accepted by the particular law school.

The UGPA data is aggregated across the law school's entire first year class, regardless of admission test.

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J.D Enrollment as of October 5th 2024

	JD1					JD2					JD3					JD4					Total
	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T
Hispanics of any race	4	0	4	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Asian	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Black or African American	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Two or More Races	4	1	3	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Total People of Color	14	4	9	1	0	9	5	4	0	0	12	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
White	71	33	37	1	0	70	34	36	0	0	67	39	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	208
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	4	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Total	89	38	47	4	0	80	40	40	0	0	84	49	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	253

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Faculty Resources 2023 - 2024

	Male	Female	Another Gender Identity	Prefer Not to Report	People of Color	Total
Full-time faculty members	10	10	0	0	2	20
Non-full-time faculty	15	9	0	0	1	24
Total	25	19	0	0	3	44

	Full Time	Part Time	Total
Librarians	3	0	3

J.D. Degrees Awarded 2023-2024

Hispanics of any race	3
American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Asian	0
Black or African American	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0
Two or More Races	5
Total People of Color	11
White	60
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	3
Total	74

1L Tuition and Fees 2024 - 2025

Per Annual:	Resident	Annual Fees	Non-Resident	Annual Fees	Other	Annual Fees
Full-Time	$11,736	$5,057	$31,276	$5,057	$0	$0
Part-Time	$0	$0	$0	$0		
Per Credit:	Resident	Annual Fees	Non-Resident	Annual Fees	Other	Annual Fees
Full-Time	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Part-Time	$391	$4,117	$1,042	$4,117		
Tuition Guarantee Program			N			

Living Expenses 2024-2025

Estimated Living Expenses for singles

Living on Campus	$16,804
Living Off Campus	$18,650
Living At Home	$11,258

Grants and Scholarships 2023-2024

	Total		Full Time		Part Time	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total # of students	247	100	247	100	0	0
Total # receiving grants	138	56	138	56	0	
Less than 1/2 tuition	93	38	93	38	0	
Half to full tuition	26	11	26	11	0	
Full tuition	7	3	7	3	0	
More than full tuition	11	4	11	4	0	
75th Percentile grant amount			$10,000		$0	
50th Percentile grant amount			$3,425		$0	
25th Percentile grant amount			$582		$0	

The term "full tuition scholarships" refers to scholarships that cover tuition and mandatory fees. The term "more than full tuition" refers to scholarships that cover more than tuition and mandatory fees.

Conditional Scholarships 2023-2024

Students Matriculating in	# Entering with	# Reduced or Eliminated
2023-2024 Academic Year	1	0
2022-2023 Academic Year	1	0
2021-2022 Academic Year	1	0

Academic Attrition 2023-2024

	JD1						JD2					JD3					JD4					UL
	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	%	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	%
Hispanics of any race	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Black or African American	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Two or More Races	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total People of Color	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
White	1	1	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	1	1	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

Academic attrition refers to those students who discontinued their education at a time when they were not in good academic standing as defined by the Law School. It includes both students who have been dismissed because they did not satisfy the minimum standards of progress established by the Law School to continue their legal studies at that school, and students who discontinued their enrollment at the school at a time when their GPA was below that required for good academic standing as of the end of the first year.

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Other Attrition 2023-2024

	JD1						JD2					JD3					JD4					UL
	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	%	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	T	M	W	AGI	PNR	%
Hispanics of any race	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Black or African American	1	0	1	0	0	20.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Two or More Races	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total People of Color	1	0	1	0	0	10.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
White	4	4	0	0	0	5.0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.0
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	5	4	1	0	0	6.0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0

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Transfers 2023-2024

JD1 Transfers Out	1
Transfers In*	2
75th Percentile JD1 GPA	0
50th Percentile JD1 GPA	0
25th Percentile JD1 GPA	0

*GPA Percentiles provided if School has 12 or more transfers in. If more than 5 but less than 12 transfers in only 50th percentile will be provided.

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