

# CLAT

#### What is CLAT?

The Common Law
Admission Test (CLAT) is
a centralized nationallevel entrance test for
admissions to 24 National
Law Universities (NLUs) in
India. Some private



universities and self-financed law schools in India also use these scores for admissions. The exam is conducted for undergraduate (UG) and postgraduate (PG) degree programs in law.

The undergraduate program assesses you on subjects like English, General Knowledge and Current Affairs, Quantitative Aptitude, Legal Reasoning, and Logical Reasoning. The aim is to evaluate the aptitude and suitability of the candidates for legal education.

For the postgraduate program, the test evaluates candidates on various law subjects such as Constitutional Law, Jurisprudence, and other law subjects such as Contract, Torts, Criminal Law, International Law, IPR, and Environment Law.

**CLAT 2025: Notification** 



The CLAT notification will be out soon. The application forms will be out in June.

#### **CLAT 2024: Highlights**

- CLAT 2024 saw a 24.5% surge in applications compared to CLAT 2023.
- Undergraduate applications increased by 34.7%, and postgraduate by 25.8%.
- 97.03% of registered candidates took the CLAT 2024 undergraduate test.
- For the CLAT 2024 postgraduate test, 93.92% of registered candidates appeared.
- The attendance rate for CLAT 2024 stood at 96.45%.
   Among the attending candidates, 57% were female,
   43% were male, and there were 6 transgender candidates.

# **CLAT 2025: Frequently Asked Questions**

- Who can apply for the CLAT 2025? Students applying for UG courses must have cleared their class XII or appeared for their class 12 exams this year. The criteria also entail that in 10+2 qualifying examinations, you must secure 45% or its equivalent grade if you are from General / OBC / PWD / NRI / PIO / OCI categories and 40% in case you belong to SC/ST categories.
- What does the exam consist of? The exam is divided into five sections: English Language, Current Affairs including General Knowledge, Legal Reasoning, Logical Reasoning, and Quantitative Techniques.
- I will be in my Class 12 with effect from April 2024.

  Am I eligible for CLAT 2025? Yes, you are! Anyone



- taking their class 12 exams in April/May 2025 can apply for this exam.
- I am from a Science background. Can I apply for CLAT? Yes, this exam is open for all streams. The exam also gives opportunities to science students to explore careers beyond engineering and medicine.

#### **CLAT Exam 2025: Overview**

Look at the table below to get an overview of the CLAT Notification:

CLAT Full Form	Common Law Admission Test	
Conducting Body	Consortium of NLUs	
Exam Frequency	Once a year	
Exam Level	National Level	
Mode of Application	Online	
Application Fee (General)	4000 Rs [Online]	
Exam Mode	Offline	
Participating Colleges	24	
Exam Duration	2 Hours	
Number of Seats	3000+ Seats (as of 2024)	
CLAT Official Website	https://consortiumofnlus.ac.in/	



# **CLAT Exam Date & Schedule 2025**

Check out the table below for the important **CLAT dates** and latest updates:

CLAT Exam Date Events	CLAT 2025 Exam Date
Starting Date to Apply	To be announced
Last Date to Apply	To be announced
Campus Visit Day Registration	To be announced
Open Campus Visit Day (Only for Registered Candidates)	To be announced
Last Date for Online Fee Payment	To be announced
Admit Card Release Date	To be announced
Admit Card Last Date to Download	To be announced
CLAT Exam Date	To be announced
Release Date of Provisional Answer Key	To be announced



Final Answer Key Release Date	To be announced
Result Date	To be announced
Registration for Counselling Starts	To be announced
Registration for Counselling Ends	To be announced

# CLAT 2025 Exam Eligibility Criteria [UG & PG]

The Consortium has set mandatory criteria to apply for the CLAT entrance exam for either of the courses. We have enlisted them for both UG and PG below:

# **CLAT 2025 Eligibility for UG Program**

You must satisfy the following **eligibility criteria** to apply for the law undergraduate courses:

- There is no upper age limit for UG.
- Following the official notification, you must have completed your 10+2 or equivalent examination with at least 45% marks if you belong to the General / OBC / PWD / NRI / PIO / OCI categories.
- If you belong to the SC/ST category, you must have scored at least 40% marks.



 Students appearing for the 10+2 examination in the academic year (March/April 2025) are also eligible to apply.

# **CLAT 2025 Eligibility for PG Program**

The PG exam is conducted for those aspiring to secure admission for post-graduation courses, i.e., Master of Law in top Law Universities.

Have a look at the detailed **PG Eligibility Criteria** for exact requirements:

- There is no upper age limit for the PG Program.
- Those belonging to the General/OBC/PWD/NRI/PIO/OCI categories must have a minimum of 50% of marks in the LLB degree or its equivalent grade.
- According to the official notification, those belonging to SC/ST categories must have secured 45% marks in an LLB degree or equivalent grade.
- You must have cleared your final semester or final year of the qualifying paper on the admission date.
- To be eligible for the exam, you must be an Indian citizen, and NRIs and foreign nationals may also be eligible to apply for the exam. Still, you should check the eligibility criteria for each participating college separately, as it may vary from one college to another.

#### **CLAT 2025 Exam Pattern**

The CLAT notification 2025 has yet to be released! So, here is the **exam pattern** based on last year's notification.



# **CLAT UG 2025 Exam Pattern**

The following table shows the question paper pattern for the undergraduate courses:

Attribute	Details
Exam Mode	Offline
Exam Centers	Designated national exam centres
Exam Duration	2 hours
Question Type	Multiple-choice questions (comprehension-based)
Total Questions	120
Sections	5 sections
1. English Language	28-32 questions (comprehension passages, grammar, vocabulary)
2. General Knowledge & Current Affairs	35-39 questions (current events, general knowledge)
3. Quantitative Techniques	13-17 questions (basic mathematical skills)
4. Legal Aptitude	35-39 questions (legal propositions, law-related facts)
5. Logical Reasoning	28-32 questions (analyzing and solving problems logically)



# **CLAT PG 2025 Exam Pattern**

Check out the table below for the detailed **Exam Pattern**:

Mode of Exam	Offline
Medium of Question Paper	English (only)
Type of Exam	Objective
Duration	2 hours
Type of Questions	Objective Type
Number of Multiple Choice Questions	120
Marks Obtained for Correct Answer	+1
Marks Deducted for Incorrect Answer	-0.25
Topics Asked in MCQ	Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, Criminal Law, Family Law, Property Law, Company Law, Labour Law, Environmental Law, etc.



# CLAT 2025 Syllabus [UG & PG]

The CLAT Syllabus lists the critical topics from the exam point of view. The previous year's notification shows that the UG and PG programs' syllabi differ.

CLAT UG 2025 Syllabus

Check out the table below to learn the detailed **syllabus** for UG:

Subjects	Syllabus
	450 words passage based on contemporary or historically significant fiction and nonfiction writing
	5-6 questions testing comprehension and language skills
English Language	Read and comprehend the main points, arguments, and viewpoints in the passage
	Draw inferences and conclusions, summarize, compare and contrast arguments or viewpoints
	Understand the meaning of words and phrases used in the passage
Current Affairs & GK	450 words passage based on news, journalistic sources,



current affairs, and general knowledge, covering:

Contemporary events of significance from India and the world

Arts and Culture

International affairs

Historical events of continuing significance

450 words passage involving legal matters, public policy questions, or moral philosophical enquiry

Identify and infer rules and principles in the passage

Legal Reasoning

Apply rules and principles to various fact situations

Understand how changes to laws or principles may alter their application to different fact situations

Series of short passages (about 300 words each)

Logical Reasoning Recognize arguments, premises,

and conclusions

Read and identify arguments in the passage



Critically analyze patterns of reasoning and assess the effectiveness of arguments

Infer from the passage, apply inferences to new situations, draw relationships, and identify contradictions or equivalences.

Short sets of facts or propositions, graphs, or other textual, pictorial, or diagrammatic representations

Derive, infer, and manipulate numerical information from passages, graphs, or other representations.

Quantitative Techniques

Apply 10th-standard mathematical operations, such as ratios and proportions, introductory algebra, measurement, and statistical estimation.

# **CLAT PG 2025 Syllabus**

The PG syllabus is also based on comprehension-based questions. The descriptive section was removed from the syllabus as per last year's notification.

Have a look at the table below to learn the most important topics from **Syllabus**:



Constitutional Law	Jurisprudence
Torts	Family Law
Company Law	Public International Law
Labour Law	Industrial Law

## How to Apply for CLAT Exam 2025?

The **CLAT Registration Form** can only be filled out online. Four stages are involved while filling out the application form, i.e., online registration, filling out the form, uploading documents, and payment of the application fee.

Follow the below steps to complete the process smoothly:

- **Step 1:** Visit the official website, i.e., https://consortiumofnlus.ac.in/
- **Step 2:** On the Home page, click the link "**REGISTER**" to complete the registration process by entering your name and mobile number and setting a password.
- Step 3: Enter the OTP received on the registered mobile number. This completes the registration process.
- **Step 4:** Log in to the portal using the registered mobile number and password.
- **Step 5:** Complete the application form by entering all the correct details.
- **Step 6:** Upload necessary scanned images, documents, and signatures in the specified format.



 Step 7: Pay the fee through the different online payment modes to complete the application process.

Photo & Signature Dimensions for CLAT Registration 2025

Refer to the dimensions and format below to complete the **registration form for the Common Law Admission Test**:

Dimensions Image Size (Maximum)		Format
Photograph	500 KB	.jpg/.jpeg
Signature	100 KB	.jpg/.jpeg

# **CLAT Registration Fees 2025**

The application fees vary for each category. Check out the table below for the registration fees per your category:

Category	CLAT Exam Fees
General / OBC / PWD/	Rs. 4000
NRI / PIO / OCI candidates	Rs. 4000
SC / ST / BPL candidates	Rs. 3500

#### **CLAT 2025 Admit Card**

You can download the **Admit Card** only from the official website. You must follow the steps below to download the admit card:

Visit the official website.

- On the homepage, click on the link "Download
   Common Law Admission Test Admit Card 2025."
- Enter your login credentials and click on the submit button.
- The admit card will be displayed on the screen.
- Download and take a printout of the admit card for future reference.

# **CLAT 2025 Preparation Books**

Choosing the right study materials can significantly boost your preparation for the CLAT 2025 exam. These recommended books from expert authors cover the syllabus comprehensively, helping you understand and master the concepts better.

Here is a list of recommended books by various authors for CLAT 2025:

Author	Book Name
A. P. Bhardwaj	"Study Package for CLAT"
Arihant Experts	"Self-Study Guide CLAT"
Universal's	"Guide to CLAT & LLB"
Singh, R. K. and Singh, S.	"CLAT/ AILET 2025 (Guide)"
R.S. Aggarwal	"A Modern Approach to Verbal & Non- Verbal Reasoning"
Abhinav Misra	"Word Power Made Easy – The Complete Handbook for Building a Superior Vocabulary"



Author	Book Name
M Laxmikanth	"Indian Polity"
Manorama Year Book	"Manorama Yearbook 2025"
Pearson Education	"Legal Awareness and Legal Reasoning for CLAT and LL.B. Entrance Examinations"

Before purchasing, ensure that the edition is the most recent, as the pattern and syllabus of the exam may change over time. Also, it is beneficial to supplement these books with online resources and **mock tests** for a well-rounded preparation.

# **CLAT Exam Analysis**

The Common Law Admission Test is conducted annually to offer admission to UG and PG programs. The analysis can help you know the exam's difficulty level, the number of reasonable attempts, and more.

Here is the brief previous year's Exam Analysis for the UG Exam:

- The CLAT 2024 exam was on the more accessible side, according to most test-takers.
- Many students found it less challenging compared to previous years' papers.

- The General Knowledge section took a different approach, focusing more on current affairs and a handful of static GK questions instead of the usual topics.
- Legal Reasoning, while mostly straightforward, did throw in a few tough questions.
- English was the most manageable section, but had a couple of tricky questions.
- As for Logical Reasoning, it struck a balance, simple yet manageable.

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# **CLAT 2025 Answer Key**

After the completion of the exam, the Consortium releases the provisional answer key. If any objections are to be raised, you can send them via the official website. Based on the objections received, the final answer key of CLAT is released.

Here are the steps that can be followed to download the **CLAT Answer Key** for both UG and PG programs:

- Visit the official website.
- On the homepage, click the "Common Law Admission Test Answer Key" link available in the Notification section of the website.
- Enter your login credentials and submit them.
- Now, you can view the answer key for your respective course and set.
- Verify the answers; if there is any error, objections must be raised within the stipulated time.



 Download and take a printout of the answer key PDF for future reference

#### **CLAT 2025 Result**

The **CLAT Result** is prepared based on the final answer key. The result is released as a merit list of shortlisted aspirants through the Law Entrance Test score for the counselling procedure.

Results can be viewed only from the official website. Before the merit list, the scorecard of the exam will be released.

Here are the steps you need to follow while checking the results of the CLAT Paper:

- Visit the official website
- Click on the link "Common Law Admission
   Test Result."
- Enter the Registration Number & Password and click on submit
- · Click on the scorecard tab after logging in
- A new page will open, showing the results of the scorecard
- Save and download the scorecard PDF for future reference

#### **CLAT Cut-Off Marks**

The Consortium decides the **CLAT cutoff** based on various factors like the difficulty level of the exam, the number of seats, and the number of students appearing for the exam.



Here is essential info based on CLAT 2024 first allotment list:

# 1] Category-Wise Opening and Closing Ranks:

- General: The range varies significantly, with top NLUs like NLU Bangalore having an opening rank of 1 and a closing rank of 84.
- **OBC**: The opening and closing ranks are more comprehensive. For instance, NALSAR Hyderabad starts at 189 and goes up to 1076.

# 2] Admission Cutoffs for Top 3 NLUs:

- **NLU Bangalore**: For the general category, the cutoff range is 1–84.
- **NALSAR Hyderabad**: The range for the general category is 6-158.
- **NLU Kolkata**: The cutoff for the general category falls between 140 and 262.

#### **CLAT 2025 Merit List**

The merit list is generally released after the results by the Consortium of NLU.

The **CLAT Merit List** will be released only on the official website separately for UG and PG.

- The merit list will be released separately for all counselling rounds.
- The Merit List includes the category-wise merit rank of the applicant who has qualified in the exam.

- It is prepared by using the scores of all aspirants, with the higher scores at the top and followed by the lowest scores.
- The details on the merit list include your admit card number, All India Rank, and Total marks obtained in the entrance exam.

# **CLAT 2025 Counselling**

The counselling begins after the release of the merit list. The **CLAT counselling** is conducted online.

You must online pay Rs. 30000/- for the General Category and Rs. 20000/- for ST/SC/OBC/BC/ EWS/ PWD and other reserved categories to register for the counselling process.

Once the first provisional list is released, you must choose any of the three options:

- 1. Accept the allotted seat (Freeze Option)
- 2. Apply for an Upgrade (Float Option)
- 3. Exit from the admission process (Exit Option)
- If the first option is chosen, you must upload all the required documents and pay the requisite fee to the allotted NLU.
- Choose the second option, i.e., accept and upgrade.
   You must pay the specific fees (as mentioned in the CLAT Notification) to the allotted University and upload documents as per the schedule.
- If the last option is chosen, the allotted seat will be lost, and you will not be considered for further allotment. You can still opt for this option if you have not been allotted a seat.



Documents Required in Common Law Admission Test Counselling

You must carry the following documents at the time of counselling:

- Application Form
- Scorecard
- 10th & 12th Marksheets
- Admit Card
- Specially abled Certificate (if applicable)
- Domicile Certificate (if applicable)
- Caste Certificate (if applicable)
- NRI Certificate (if applicable)
- Sponsored NRI Certificate (if applicable)

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# CLAT Participating Colleges & Seat Intake (UG & PG)

The NLU begins the **CLAT Seat Allotment** according to the merit-cum-preference.

Refer to the table below for the college-wise seat distribution for both LLB and LLM courses:

Name of the CLAT Participating Colleges (2024)	UG Seat Intake	PG Seat Intake
National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru	300	120
National Academy of Legal Study & Research (NALSAR), Hyderabad	132	66



Name of the CLAT Participating Colleges (2024)	UG Seat Intake	PG Seat Intake
National Law Institute University (NLIU), Bhopal	BA LLB 134	60
	BSc LLB 68	
The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata	BA LLB 108	
	BSc LLB 50	100
National Law University (NLUJ), Jodhpur	120	50
Hidayatullah National Law University (HNLU), Raipur	170	90
Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), Gandhinagar	172	57
Dr Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University (RMLNLU), Lucknow	169	48
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Patiala	180	60
National University of Advanced Legal Studies (NUALS), Kochi	60	60
National Law University Odisha (NLUO), Cuttack	BA LLB 120	44



Name of the CLAT Participating Colleges (2024) UG Seat Intake		PG Seat Intake
	BBA LLB 60	
National University of Study & Research in Law (NUSRL), Ranchi	134	60
National Law University & Judicial Academy (NLUJA), Assam	60	60
Damodaram Sanjivayya National Law University (DSNLU), Visakhapatnam	120	60
The Tamil Nadu National Law University (TNNLU), Tiruchirapalli	BA LLB 60 BCom LLB 60	60
Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU), Mumbai	100	50
Maharashtra National Law University (MNLU), Nagpur	BA LLB 120 BBA LLB 60	60
Maharashtra National Law University, (MNLU) Aurangabad	BA LLB 60 BBA LLB 60	



Name of the CLAT Participating Colleges (2024)	UG Seat Intake	PG Seat Intake
Himachal Pradesh National Law University, (HPNLU), Shimla	BA LLB 60 BBA LLB 60	80
Dharmashastra National Law University (DNLU), Jabalpur	120	50
Dr B R Ambedkar National Law University (DBRANLU), Sonipat, Haryana	120	-
National Law University Tripura (NLUT), Agartala	60	50
Gujarat National Law University (GNLU), Silvasa	66	33
Total (not including supernumerary, NRI, extra, and FN seats)	3163	1378

**Note -** The table only includes the seats for UG and PG programs and does not account for supernumerary, NRI, extra, and FN seats.

# CLAT UG Placement Statistics 2022 (5-year Program)

Check out the table below to learn about the **CLAT PG Placements** for the year 2022:



Name of NLU	No. of students graduating	No. of students placed	Median Placement Package(Rs.)
National Law School of India University (NLSIU ), Bangalore	76	65	16,00,000 (Sixteen Lakh Only)
National Law University (NLU), Delhi	85	59	19,00,000 (Nineteen Lakhs Only)
NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad	118	96	16,00,000 (Sixteen Lakh Only)
West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (WBNUJS), Kolkata	127	80	16,00,000 (Sixteen Lakh Only)

# "Consistency is the key to my success!" Divas Upadhyay (CLAT 2024 AIR 6)

# Conclusion

In this captivating blog, we took you on a thrilling journey, exploring the ins and outs of the CLAT – a vital gateway to your dream law school. As we navigated this legal labyrinth, we uncovered essential insights just for you:

- CLAT's significance in securing admission to premier law schools.
- A comprehensive breakdown of the exam pattern and syllabus.
- Techniques to conquer the exam with confidence and finesse.
- The critical role of diligent preparation and smart strategies.

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# CLAT 2024 Official Question Paper with Answer Key PDF [UG + PG]

The CLAT 2024 question paper, along with the **CLAT answer key** in PDF format, can be downloaded from the table below:

#### **CLAT Paper**

CLAT UG Question Paper & Answer Key

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