

# 1 lawschool\_csv\_crawler.py

This Python script fetches data from lawschoolnumbers.com in .csv format.

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1 from selenium import webdriver
2 from selenium.webdriver.common.by import By
3 from selenium.webdriver.support.ui import WebDriverWait
4 from selenium.webdriver.support import expected_conditions as EC
5 from selenium.common.exceptions import NoSuchElementException
6 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
7 import csv
8 import time
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10
11 def fetch_data(year):
12     # Format the year to the specified format
13     if (int(year) < 2009):
14         formatted_year = f"0{year % 100}0{(year + 1) % 100}"
15     elif (int(year) == 2009):
16         formatted_year = "0910"
17     else:
18         formatted_year = f"{year % 100}{(year + 1) % 100}"
19     url = f"https://michigan.lawschoolnumbers.com/applicants/{formatted_year}"
20     driver = webdriver.Chrome()
21     driver.get(url)
22     wait = WebDriverWait(driver, 10)
23
24     try:
25         # Wait until the table is loaded
26         wait.until(EC.presence_of_element_located((By.CLASS_NAME, 'table-application'))
27         return driver
28     except:
29         print(f"Failed to load the page for {formatted_year}")
30         driver.quit()
31         return None
32
33 def parse_page(driver):
34     data = []
35     soup = BeautifulSoup(driver.page_source, 'html.parser')
36     table = soup.find('table', class_='table-application')
37     if table:
38         rows = table.find_all('tr')
39         for row in rows[1:]: # skip header row
40             cols = row.find_all('td')
41             if len(cols) >= 8:
42                 username_link = cols[0].find('a')
43                 username = username_link.text if username_link else 'N/A'
44                 signifiers = ''.join(signifier.text for signifier in cols[0].find_all('span', class_='signifier'))
45                 urm = 1 if 'U' in signifiers else 0
46                 inter = 1 if 'I' in signifiers else 0
47                 full_username = f"{username} {signifiers}".strip()
48                 status = cols[1].text.strip()
49                 if ("Waitlisted" in status or "Pending" in status):
50                     continue
51                 elif ("Accepted" in status):
52                     status = "Accepted"
53                 elif ("Rejected" in status):
54                     status = "Rejected"
55                 lsat = cols[2].text.strip().split(':')[1].strip()
56                 gpa = cols[3].text.strip().split(':')[1].strip()
57
58                 data.append([full_username, status, lsat, gpa, urm, inter])
59     return data
60
61 def save_to_csv(data, formatted_year):
62     with open(f"michigan_law_{formatted_year}.csv", 'w', newline='', encoding='utf-8') as file:
63         writer = csv.writer(file)
64         writer.writerow(["Username with Signifiers", "Status", "LSAT", "GPA", "URM", "Int1"])
65         writer.writerows(data)
66
67 def main():
68     years = range(2003, 2024)
69     for year in years:
70         if (int(year) < 2009):
71             formatted_year = f"0{int(year) % 100}0{(int(year) + 1) % 100}"
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72     elif (int(year) == 2009):
73         formatted_year = "0910"
74     else:
75         formatted_year = f"{int(year) % 100}{(int(year) + 1) % 100}"
76     print(f"Processing year: {formatted_year}")
77     driver = fetch_data(year)
78     if driver:
79         all_data = []
80         while True:
81             # Parse the current page
82             page_data = parse_page(driver)
83             all_data.extend(page_data)
84             # Check if there's a next button and click it
85             try:
86                 next_button = driver.find_element(By.CSS_SELECTOR, '.pagination-holder .pagination .
next_page')
87                 next_button.click()
88                 time.sleep(3) # Wait for the next page to load
89             except NoSuchElementException:
90                 break # No next button found, exit loop
91             except Exception as e:
92                 print(f"Error occurred while clicking next button: {e}")
93                 break # Exit loop on any error
94             # Save all collected data from all pages
95             save_to_csv(all_data, formatted_year)
96             print(f"Data for {formatted_year} saved successfully.")
97             driver.quit()
98         else:
99             print(f"No data available for {formatted_year}")
100
101 if __name__ == "__main__":
102     main()

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## 2 combine\_csv\_files.py

This Python script combines the .csv files of each application cycle's data into one big .csv file.

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1 import os
2 import glob
3 import pandas as pd
4
5 def combine_csv_files(directory, output_file):
6     # Change this to the directory where your CSVs are saved
7     os.chdir(directory)
8     all_files = glob.glob('michigan_law_*.csv')
9     all_data = []
10
11     for filename in all_files:
12         df = pd.read_csv(filename, index_col=None, header=0)
13         # Extract the year from the filename
14         year = filename.split('_')[-1].split('.')[0]
15         df['Year'] = year
16         all_data.append(df)
17
18     combined_csv = pd.concat(all_data, axis=0, ignore_index=True)
19     combined_csv.to_csv(output_file, index=False)
20     print(f"Combined CSV has been saved as {output_file}")
21
22 combine_csv_files('/Users/joonchoi/Desktop/STATS451/finalproj/data', 'combined_michigan_law.csv')

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