

Dear Incoming Transfer Student,

We hope this message finds you well! As promised, we are writing with more information important to your successful transition. We have added the following items and documents to the [Transfer Checklist](#). Please be certain to complete these items by the date listed.

Student Bar Association: Tips for Transfers (DUE: At Your Convenience)

[GW Law Transfer Students Tips 2022](#) is produced by GW Law Students for incoming transfer students. It is not intended to replace referencing the [Law Bulletin](#) for information on academic regulations nor seeking [academic advising from the Dean of Students Office](#) but does emphasize information that prior transfer students have found particularly helpful.

Sign up for Information from the GW Law School Affinity Groups (DUE: At Your Convenience)

The law school has over 70 student-led organizations that serve as the backbone of the law school community. Chief among them are the many student affinity groups which include:

- Asian/Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA)
- Atypical Student Society
- Black Law Student Association (BLSA)
- Christian Legal Society
- J. Reuben Clark Law Society
- Jewish Law Student Association (JLSA)
- Lambda Law (GW's LGBTQIA student organization)
- Latino Law Student Society
- Law Association for Women (LAW)
- Middle Eastern and North African Law Society (MENA)
- Muslim Law Students Association (MLSA)
- South Asian Law Student Association (SALSA)

Each of these groups would like to welcome you personally. If you are interested in outreach, please complete the form [here](#).

Update Your Chosen Name (DUE: August 17, 2022)

If you indicated a preferred name in your application to GW Law, that name will be entered into the various digital records across campus. If you need to update this information or want to change it, you can find more information on the process [here](#).

Character and Fitness Disclosures (DUE: August 21, 2022)

Please ensure your application to GW Law provides disclosure of any legal volitions, college disciplinary matters, or similar issues, including any that may have occurred after you submitted your application. State boards of bar examiners will note any issue disclosed in your bar application that occurred before you enrolled in law school and specifically ask the Law School whether GW Law was aware of that issue when you enrolled. If an inconsistency exists between information obtained by the bar examiners and your law school admission application, that inconsistency could impact your admission to the bar.

Please make any necessary disclosures to the Admissions Office on or before Sunday, August 21, using the InAtGW@law.gwu.edu email address. Please err on the side of disclosure. If you have questions regarding whether something needs to be disclosed, please contact the Dean of Students Office. It is in your best interest to review your law school application to GW and email any updates to Admissions now before you formally "matriculate" as a law student.

Purchase the Tuition Refund Plan (DUE: August 22, 2022)

Although we hope each student will sail through the semester without incident, we know from experience that is not always the case. As a result, the university partnered with [GradGuard](#) so students can purchase insurance to protect their educational investment by reimbursing up to 100% of tuition, room, and board in the event of a medical or mental health withdrawal, based on your level of coverage. Please note that your financial aid award may affect refunded amounts. Tuition insurance is available for purchase via Student eBill prior to the start of each fall and spring semester. Tuition insurance may also be purchased from GradGuard directly via their website or by calling 877-794-6603. Tuition Insurance must be purchased prior to the start of each semester to cover tuition and other covered expenses for that term. For more information, please see the [GradGuard website](#).

All of this information has been added to the checklist for your convenience. As always, please let us know if you have any questions!

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