University of Glasgow

Law National Aptitude Test (LNAT)

What is the LNAT?

The LNAT helps Universities select people for their undergraduate Law degrees. The test does not test the applicant's knowledge of law or any other subject instead it assesses critical reasoning, comprehension and command of written English.

The LNAT format

The test consists of two parts and is **2 hours and 15 minutes** in length:

Section One: Verbal Reasoning (95 minutes)

The first part is a computer-based multiple choice exam. You will be asked to read passages of text and answer questions that test your comprehension of them. There are 12 essays/articles with 3-4 multiple choice questions each. Your scores from the multiple choice section of the test are checked by computer and a mark out of 42 is created. This is known as your LNAT score.

Section Two: Essay Writing (40 minutes)

For second part you will be asked to write one essay from a list of three proposed subjects. The essay should be around 500-600 words and the maximum allowed is 750. This section is not marked by the test centre and does not contribute to your LNAT score, but it is your opportunity to show your ability to construct a compelling argument and reach a conclusion.

Test Scores

The LNAT score and essay are first made available to participating Universities. Students receive their test results after the UCAS deadline. Please note no exact date can be given.

University of Glasgow uses the LNAT test alongside academic qualifications and personal statement in order to admit students.

Deadlines

Do not sit your LNAT in the summer holidays as results will not be considered outside the official test dates. For 2019 entry:

- 1 August 2018 LNAT registration opens
- 1 September 2018 LNAT testing begins
- 15 January final date for LNAT test slots to be booked
- 20 January Last date to sit LNAT

Before sitting the LNAT you must have registered with UCAS and have a personal ID number.

Location and Payment

The test is taken at Pearson Vue centres. Details of centres are at Inat.ac.uk

Test fees are determined by the test centre location and not by place of residence or nationality. For 2019/20 the costs are:

- £50 at UK/EU test centres
- £70 at non-EU test centres

Bursaries are available to cover the cost of the fee to those who meet the eligibility criteria.

Test Preparation

- Familiarise yourself with the layout and format of test.
- Practice sample tests available online.
- Practice writing essays on subjects you are unfamiliar with.
- Read quality newspapers and keep up to date with current affairs.

Test Tips

Part One: Verbal Reasoning

- Don't rely on what you know from other sources you are being questioned on the passage itself.
- Only one answer is correct. If there are matters of degree then the question is how you handle matters of degrees and detail. There are no trick questions.
- You can skip questions and mark them for review. You can answer the questions in any order but you must answer them all before the essay section begins.
- There is not a great emphasis on speed. The test has been designed to allow you time to think.
- Read carefully and check your answer. Make sure you have answered the question.

Part Two: Essay

- Read ahead. The more you know about current affairs the greater chance you have of getting an essay you understand.
- Pick the right question. You should have some knowledge of the question. The test is not interested in your opinion so you may have to defend a position you do not personally agree with.
- Plan you essay carefully. Create a clear plan before you begin writing
- Choose your words carefully. You should be concise and remove repetition, surplus words and digressions. Don't try to impress using fancy words.

Further Information

For example test papers and details of how to book your test please visit www.lnat.ac.uk

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