Clerkship Application Timeline

1L
OSCAR Access: Feb. 2020
Can Apply: June 2020

- Start Building Relationships with Faculty
  - Attend Office Hours
  - Apply to RA/TA
  - Strategically Select Spring Elective
- Focus on Grades
- Apply for Journals
- 1L Summer Writing Sample
- Network with Former Clerks (e.g., alums, summer employers, etc.)

2L
OSCAR Access: Feb. 2019
Can Apply: June 2019

Pre-February:
- Continue Cultivating Faculty Relationships
- Join Clerkship Peer Mentor Program
- Strive for Note Publication
- Course Selection: Strive for Good Grades, Black Letters & Writing Opportunities

February: OSCAR Access
- Research Courts and Judges
- Reach out to Current & Former Clerks
- Assemble Judge List (and run it by Clerkship Advisor)
- Secure Three Recommenders
- Assemble Application Materials

June: Can Apply
- Be Ready to Apply as Soon as Grades are Released
- Ask Recommenders to Call Chambers

3L
OSCAR Access: Now
Can Apply: Now

Just Beginning the Process?
- Follow 1L/2L Tips

Already Applied?
- Consider Sending Second Round of Applications
- Meet with Clerkship Advisor to Strategize

Secured a Clerkship?
- Let Us Know!
- Consider Becoming a Clerkship Peer Mentor
- Leverage Your Clerkship to Secure a Second Clerkship

Note: Access and application dates for individual classes listed below reflect CLS’s committed adherence to the Hiring Plan.

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