

CLAT 2027

Complete Exam Guide

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CLAT 2027 – Quick Snapshot

Particulars	Details
Exam Name	Common Law Admission Test (CLAT) 2027
Conducting Body	Consortium of National Law Universities (NLUs)
Exam Level	National
Programmes Offered	UG (BA LLB / BBA LLB) & PG (LLM)
Expected Notification	August 2026
Expected Registration Start	August 2026
Expected Last Date to Apply	October 2026
Expected Exam Date	December 2026 (First Sunday)
Exam Mode	Offline (Pen & Paper)
Exam Duration	2 Hours
Total Questions (UG)	120 MCQs
Total Marks (UG)	120 Marks
Official Website	consortiumofnlus.ac.in

About CLAT 2027

CLAT (Common Law Admission Test) is a centralised national entrance exam conducted by the Consortium of National Law Universities for admission to undergraduate (UG) and postgraduate (PG) law programmes at 24 NLUs across India. CLAT 2027 will be conducted for admissions to the academic session 2027-28.

As a Shiksha.com education consultant, I always tell aspiring law students: **CLAT is your gateway to the top NLUs** — NLSIU Bangalore, NALSAR Hyderabad, NLU Delhi (via AILET separately), and 21 other prestigious institutions.

CLAT 2027 Important Dates (Expected)

Event	Expected Date
Release of CLAT 2027 Notification	August 2026
Start of Online Registration	August 2026
Last Date to Submit Application	October 2026
Release of Admit Card	November 2026
CLAT 2027 Exam Date	First Sunday of December 2026
Declaration of Result	December 2026 / January 2027

Event	Expected Date
Start of Counselling Process	January 2027

■ Dates are tentative based on previous year patterns. Check consortiumofnlus.ac.in for official notifications.

CLAT 2027 Eligibility Criteria

For UG Programmes (BA LLB / BBA LLB – 5-Year Integrated)

- Qualification: 10+2 or equivalent examination from a recognised board.
- Minimum Marks: 45% aggregate (40% for SC/ST candidates).
- Appearing Candidates: Students appearing in Class 12 board exams in 2027 are also eligible.
- Age Limit: No upper age limit (removed by Consortium).

For PG Programmes (LLM – 1-Year)

- Qualification: LLB or equivalent degree from a recognised university.
- Minimum Marks: 50% aggregate (45% for SC/ST candidates).
- Final-year LLB students may also apply provisionally.

CLAT 2027 Registration & Application Process

The CLAT 2027 application process will be conducted entirely online at the official Consortium website. Here's your step-by-step guide:

Step	Action	Details
Step 1	Visit the Official Website	Go to consortiumofnlus.ac.in and click on 'CLAT 2027 Registration'.
Step 2	New Registration	Create an account using email ID & mobile no. Note your login credentials.
Step 3	Fill Application Form	Enter personal, academic, contact & select programme (UG/PG) and NLUs.
Step 4	Upload Documents	Upload scanned photograph & signature as per specifications.
Step 5	Pay Application Fee	Pay fee via online mode (credit/debit, net banking, UPI). Keep the receipt.
Step 6	Submit & Print	Review all details, submit form & take a printout of the confirmation page.

Application Fee

Category	Fee Amount
General / OBC / PWD / NRI / PIO / OCI	Rs. 4,000
SC / ST	Rs. 3,500

CLAT 2027 Exam Pattern

UG (BA LLB / BBA LLB) Exam Pattern

Section	Subject	No. of Questions	Marks	Time
Section A	English Language	22–26	22–26	2 Hours
Section B	Current Affairs incl. GK	28–32	28–32	
Section C	Legal Reasoning	28–32	28–32	
Section D	Logical Reasoning	22–26	22–26	

Section	Subject	No. of Questions	Marks	Time
Section E	Quantitative Techniques	10–14	10–14	
Total		120	120	120 Minutes

Marking Scheme: +1 for correct answer | -0.25 for incorrect answer | No marks for unattempted.

PG (LLM) Exam Pattern

Particulars	Details
Total Questions	120 MCQs
Total Marks	120 Marks
Duration	2 Hours
Subject	Constitutional Law (40%), Other Law Subjects (60%)
Negative Marking	0.25 marks deducted per wrong answer

CLAT 2027 Syllabus

Section A – English Language (22–26 Qs)

- Comprehension passages of 450 words each
- Inference and main idea identification
- Vocabulary in context (meanings, antonyms, synonyms)
- Grammar – identifying errors, fill in the blanks
- Summary and conclusion-based questions

Section B – Current Affairs & GK (28–32 Qs)

- News from last 12 months – national and international
- Business, sports, science & technology events
- Static GK: arts, culture, historical events with legal relevance
- Government schemes and policies
- Passage-based current affairs questions

Section C – Legal Reasoning (28–32 Qs)

- Legal principles and their application to given situations
- Passages on legal topics – not testing prior legal knowledge
- Principles of contract, torts, criminal law, constitutional provisions
- Deduction and inference from legal passages
- Identifying legal issues and reasoning

Section D – Logical Reasoning (22–26 Qs)

- Analogies and patterns
- Series completion and odd one out
- Arguments – identifying assumptions and conclusions
- Blood relations, direction sense
- Syllogisms and critical reasoning

Section E – Quantitative Techniques (10–14 Qs)

- Numerical problems from Class 10 Mathematics level
- Data interpretation (graphs, charts, tables)
- Ratio and proportion, percentages, profit & loss

- Averages, simple and compound interest
- Basic statistics – mean, median, mode

CLAT 2027 Participating NLUs (24 National Law Universities)

S.No.	University	State
1	NLSIU Bangalore	Karnataka
2	NALSAR Hyderabad	Telangana
3	NLIU Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
4	WBNUJS Kolkata	West Bengal
5	NLU Jodhpur	Rajasthan
6	HNLU Raipur	Chhattisgarh
7	GNLU Gandhinagar	Gujarat
8	RMLNLU Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
9	RGNUL Patiala	Punjab
10	CNLU Patna	Bihar
11	NUALS Kochi	Kerala
12	NLUO Cuttack	Odisha
13	NUSRL Ranchi	Jharkhand
14	NLUJA Guwahati	Assam
15	DSNLU Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh
16	TNNLU Tiruchirappalli	Tamil Nadu
17	MNLU Mumbai	Maharashtra
18	MNLU Nagpur	Maharashtra
19	MNLU Aurangabad	Maharashtra
20	HPNLU Shimla	Himachal Pradesh
21	DBRANLU Sonapat	Haryana
22	NLAT Tripura	Tripura
23	MPDNLU Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh
24	DNLU Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh

CLAT 2027 Preparation Tips – From Shiksha.com Consultants

- ◆ **Start Early:** Begin preparation at least 12–18 months before the exam. Consistency beats last-minute cramming.
- ◆ **Read Daily Newspapers:** Read The Hindu or Indian Express daily for Current Affairs. Focus on legal, political, and socio-economic news.
- ◆ **Master Legal Reasoning:** Practice comprehension of legal passages. You don't need prior legal knowledge — learn to apply given principles.

- ◆ **Build Reading Habit:** CLAT is passage-heavy. Speed and accuracy in reading comprehension is your biggest asset.
- ◆ **Mock Tests are Non-Negotiable:** Attempt at least 30–40 full-length mock tests. Analyse each test for time management and accuracy.
- ◆ **Target Section E Carefully:** Quantitative Techniques has only 10–14 questions. Don't spend disproportionate time here; secure easy marks first.
- ◆ **Refer to Previous Years' Papers:** Solve CLAT papers from 2018 to 2026 to understand the evolving pattern and question style.
- ◆ **Join a Coaching or Online Course:** Consider structured coaching from reputed institutes like Career Launcher, T.I.M.E., or Law Prep Tutorial.

Recommended Books for CLAT 2027

Subject	Book Title	Author / Publisher
English Language	Word Power Made Easy	Norman Lewis
Legal Reasoning	Legal Aptitude for CLAT & LSAT	A.P. Bhardwaj
Logical Reasoning	A Modern Approach to Logical Reasoning	R.S. Aggarwal
General Knowledge	Manorama Yearbook / Lucent's GK	Various
Quantitative	Quantitative Aptitude for Competitive Exams	R.S. Aggarwal
Complete CLAT Prep	Universal's Guide to CLAT	Universal Law Publishing
Mock Tests	Previous Years' CLAT Papers (2012–2026)	Arihant / Disha Publications

CLAT Cut Off Marks Trends

Based on previous years, here are the approximate CLAT score cut-offs for top NLUs:

NLU	General (UG)	SC	ST	OBC
NLSIU Bangalore	~95+	~80+	~75+	~90+
NALSAR Hyderabad	~90+	~75+	~70+	~85+
NLIU Bhopal	~85+	~70+	~65+	~80+
WBNUJS Kolkata	~88+	~72+	~67+	~83+
NLU Jodhpur	~82+	~67+	~62+	~77+
GNLU Gandhinagar	~80+	~65+	~60+	~75+
RMLNLU Lucknow	~75+	~60+	~55+	~70+
Other NLUs	~65+	~50+	~45+	~60+

Note: Cut-offs vary each year depending on exam difficulty and number of applicants. Scores out of 120.

Admit Card, Result & Counselling

Admit Card

- Released approximately 2–3 weeks before the exam on the official website.
- Download using registration number and password.
- Must carry admit card along with a valid photo ID to the exam centre.

- Details on admit card: Roll number, exam centre, date & time.

Result & Merit List

- Results declared online on consortiumofnlus.ac.in within 2–3 weeks of the exam.
- Separate merit lists prepared for UG and PG programmes.
- Category-wise merit lists published for General, SC, ST, OBC, PWD, NRI, etc.

Counselling Process

- Conducted by the Consortium in online mode.
- Candidates register for counselling and indicate preferences for NLUs.
- Seat allotment done based on CLAT score, rank, and NLU preferences.
- Multiple rounds of counselling conducted to fill all seats.
- Documents required: Mark sheets, certificate, category certificate (if applicable), admit card.

■ **Consultant's Note from Shiksha.com:** CLAT 2027 is a highly competitive exam with approximately 65,000–70,000 candidates vying for around 2,500 UG seats across NLUs. A score of 90+ out of 120 gives you a strong chance at top NLUs. Focus on Legal Reasoning and Current Affairs — they carry the highest weightage and are most scoring for consistent performers. For personalised guidance, visit **shiksha.com** or connect with our law admission counsellors.

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