



## ADMISSION DEFERMENT POLICY

If you are accepted for admission to the law school and cannot matriculate in the entering class, you may request a deferment of your admission to the following year. Deferments are only granted for one year. Your request for deferment of admission must be sent in writing to the Assistant Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid and must specify the reason for seeking the deferment. Each request is reviewed on its individual merits, and deferments are not granted automatically. Requests for deferment must be submitted between the time that you are admitted and registration in August. You will be required to sign a binding agreement certifying that you will not apply to, attend, or hold a deferment at another law school if your request to defer is approved. Deferrals will be automatically revoked should you enroll in another law school. **Deferrals are not granted to applicants accepted early decision or from the waiting list.**

### TIMING

You should submit your request for a deferral of your admission as soon as possible. Generally, we have greater flexibility to grant deferral requests in the early summer and less flexibility closer to August orientation. All granted deferral requests are final and your place in the entering class will be forfeited.

### SEAT DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS AND FEES

The Washington College of Law requires accepted applicants, including those requesting to defer their admission, to pay their **seat deposit of \$900** the year they are admitted by the deadline given in their admissions packet. If your request to defer is granted and you enroll at the Washington College of Law in the following fall, the seat deposit paid in your admissions year will be credited toward your tuition. You will also be asked to pay a **second seat deposit of \$900** in April of your deferred year.

If your request to defer is denied, you will still have the option to attend law school here for the fall semester for which you initially applied.

If you are granted deferred admission and you meet the schedule of tuition deposits, we shall contact you in December of your deferred year concerning your future plans. At that time we will request a written commitment that you will enroll the proceeding fall semester and a **deferment processing fee of \$70**. The Office of Admissions will then provide you with a current acceptance packet and will require a **second \$900 seat deposit** due by April 15 of your deferred year, which will also be applied against fall tuition. In the event that you defer admission for one year and choose not to enroll the following fall, no portion of any deposit or fee is refundable or re-usable should you attend in future years.