



CLAT UG Syllabus

Eligibility

1. There is no upper age limit for candidates appearing for UG Programme for the CLAT 2026.
2. Candidates who have passed in 10+2 or an equivalent examination with a minimum of:
 - i. Forty five percent (45%) of marks or its equivalent in grade or
 - ii. Forty Percent (40%) of marks or equivalent in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/PwD categories.
3. Candidates appearing for the qualifying examination in March/ April, 2026 are also eligible to apply. However, they shall be required to produce an evidence of their passing the qualifying examination at the time of admission, failing which they shall lose their right to be considered for admission.

Syllabus

Introduction and Overview

The UG-CLAT 2026 would focus on evaluating the comprehension and reasoning skills and abilities of candidates. Overall, it is designed to be a test of aptitude and skills that are necessary for a legal education rather than prior knowledge, though prior knowledge occasionally may be useful to respond to questions in the Current Affairs including General Knowledge section.

The UG-CLAT 2026 shall be a 2-hour test, with 120 multiple-choice questions carrying 1 mark each. There shall be negative marking of 0.25 marks for every wrong answer. These questions would be divided across the following 5 subjects:

- English Language
- Current Affairs, including General Knowledge
- Legal Reasoning
- Logical Reasoning
- Quantitative Techniques

English Language

In this section of the UG-CLAT 2026, you will be provided passages of about 450 words each. These passages will be derived from contemporary or historically significant fiction and non-fiction writing, and would be of a standard that a 12th standard student may be able to read in about 5-7 minutes.

- Read and comprehend the main point discussed in the passage, as well as any arguments and viewpoints discussed or set out in the passage;
- Draw inferences and conclusions based on the passage;
- Summarise the passage;
- Compare and contrast the different arguments or viewpoints set out in the passage; and
- Understand the meaning of various words and phrases in the context that they are used in the passage.

Current Affairs Including General Knowledge

In this section, you will be provided passages of up to 450 words each. The passages will be derived from news, journalistic sources and other non-fiction writing. The questions may include an examination of legal information or knowledge discussed in or related to the passage, but would not require any additional knowledge of the law beyond the passage.

Each passage will be followed by a series of questions that will require you to demonstrate your awareness of various aspects of current affairs and general knowledge, including:

- Contemporary events of significance from India and the world;
- Arts and culture;
- International affairs; and
- Historical events of continuing significance.

Legal Reasoning

In this section, you will be expected to read passages of around 450 words each. The passages may relate to fact situations or scenarios involving legal matters, public policy questions or moral philosophical enquiries. You will not require any prior knowledge of law to attempt the questions in this section. You will benefit from a general awareness of contemporary legal and moral issues to better apply general principles or propositions to the given fact scenarios.





Each passage would be followed by a series of questions that will require you to:

- Identify and infer the rules and principles set out in the passage;
- Apply such rules and principles to various fact situations; and
- Understand how changes to the rules or principles may alter their application to various fact situations.

Logical Reasoning

The Logical Reasoning section of the UG-CLAT 2026 will include a series of short passages of about 450 words each. Each passage will be followed by one or more questions that will require you to:

- Recognise an argument, its premises and conclusions;
- Read and identify the arguments set out in the passage;
- Critically analyse patterns of reasoning, and assess how conclusions may depend on particular premises or evidence, and how conclusions may be strengthened or weakened as a consequence of an alteration in premises or supporting facts;
- Infer what follows from the passage and apply these inferences to new situations;
- Draw relationships and analogies, identify contradictions and equivalence, and assess the effectiveness of arguments.

Quantitative Techniques

The Quantitative Techniques section of the UG-CLAT 2026 will include short sets of facts or propositions, or other textual representations of numerical information, followed by a series of questions. You will be required to derive information from the passages or questions, and apply mathematical operations on such information.

The questions will require you to:

- Derive, infer, and manipulate numerical information set out in such passages; and
- Apply various 10th standard mathematical operations on such information, including from areas such as ratios and proportions, basic algebra, mensuration and statistical estimation.

Preparing for the UG-CLAT 2026

The Consortium plans to publish various preparatory materials for the UG-CLAT 2026, including:

- Guides to the question paper and sample questions;
- Model question papers; and
- Instructional materials and exercises for each of the subjects that the UG-CLAT 2026 comprises.

The Consortium will also provide candidates who have successfully completed their application to the UG-CLAT 2026 access to a learning platform where you may access the preparatory materials described above, as well as your scores on various exercises and model question papers. The Consortium shall also organise online sessions for such candidates, in which subject experts shall provide guidance on how best to prepare for each of the sections of the UG-CLAT 2026, and how candidates may approach the questions in each section.

In addition, you should develop your capacity to read and understand bodies of text, ensure you stay abreast of news and current affairs by regularly reading quality newspapers and periodicals, and improve your speed of answering questions on quantitative techniques by practising with materials such as 10th standard mathematics textbooks.

Question Paper Format

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| a. Maximum Marks | 120 |
| b. Duration of CLAT 2026 Exam | 02:00 Hours |
| c. Multiple-Choice Questions | 120 questions of one mark each |
| d. Negative Marking | 0.25 Mark for each wrong answer |
| Subject Areas with weightage: | (approximate number of questions) |
| English Language | 22-26 questions, or roughly 20% of the paper |
| Current Affairs, including General Knowledge | 28-32 questions, or roughly 25% of the paper |
| Legal Reasoning | 28-32 questions, or roughly 25% of the paper |
| Logical Reasoning | 22-26 questions, or roughly 20% of the paper |
| Quantitative Techniques | 10-14 questions, or roughly 10% of the paper |





Instructions

General Instructions

- The CLAT 2026 examination shall be in OFFLINE mode
- The applications have to be submitted ONLINE only through the website -consortiumofnlus.ac.in
- The CLAT 2026 is scheduled on Sunday, 7th December, 2025 from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. (Subject to revision in case of necessity) and from 2.00 P.M. to 4.40 P.M. - Eligible Candidates belonging to PWD Category
- Indian Nationals/NRIs seeking admission to the UG programmes can appear for CLAT 2026.
- Foreign Nationals are not eligible to appear for CLAT. The applicants are advised to refer to the e-brochures as well as the websites of the respective NLUs for more details. These candidates are required to approach the respective NLUs directly for admission.
- For NRI/NRI Sponsored seats, the applicants are advised to refer to the e-brochures as well as the websites of the respective NLUs for more details. These candidates are required to approach the respective NLUs directly for admission. The Consortium will not allot seats for these categories.
- Information regarding the details of intake, reservation policies and the courses offered along with the fee structures of all the 25 NLUs are available in the Information Brochure published on the Consortium Website and also from the websites of the respective NLUs. The candidates are, therefore, advised to thoroughly go through the rules, policies and the fee structure of the participating NLUs before filling in the application form for UG courses.
- Information provided in the e-Brochure regarding the intake, reservation policy, fee, courses offered and the subjects taught at various levels including the areas of specialization, etc., has been specified very briefly. For detailed information regarding the same, the candidates may refer to the information available at the websites of the respective NLUs.
- Candidates are advised to visit CLAT 2026 website regularly for updates. The allotment of seats and the offer for admission under CLAT 2026 shall be provisional and shall not create any right of admission in favour of a candidate.
- If more than one candidate secures an equal number of marks in the CLAT 2026, the break of tie shall be by the following procedure and order as under:
- Higher marks in the component/section on Legal Aptitude in the CLAT 2026 exam;
 - i. Higher age;
 - ii. Computerised draw of lots.

Other instructions

- The online enrolment for CLAT 2026 will open on 1st August, 2025 and close on 31st October, 2025.
- The application form, complete in all respects and after payment of fees must be finally submitted and paid on or before 31st October, 2025 (11:59 P.M.). Incomplete application forms shall not be considered. The candidates shall fill and submit the application form well in time to avoid last minute hassles. The CLAT Office or the NLUs shall in no case be responsible for any incomplete information or misinformation or inconvenience faced by the candidate in this regard.
- The candidates are first required to register themselves at the CLAT 2026 website by using personal mobile number and e-mail Id. Upon registration, an OTP will be sent to the registered mobile number for validation. Once the mobile number is validated, candidates can login using the registered mobile number and the password provided at the time of registration.
- Please fill the form carefully. The Name of the candidate and the parents shall be spelt correctly in the application as it appears in the Certificates/Mark sheets/Identity proof. Any change/alteration found may disqualify the candidature.
- Please note that once the application is submitted and paid, the candidate cannot change the program, category, and BPL field.
- Updates to application form will be not be entertained after the closure date.
- The candidates are required to read the instructions carefully and furnish correct and authentic information. In case the information furnished at any stage of the application, examination and admission process is found to be false or incorrect or if there is any discrepancy or mismatch between the information furnished by the





candidate at the relevant section and the certificates/documents produced at the time of admission, the provisional admission offered to the candidate shall stand cancelled with immediate effect without assigning any further reason. If such discrepancy or mismatch relates to the candidate's eligibility for inclusion in a particular reservation category, that candidate shall be considered for admission to the NLUs in subsequent rounds of the Admissions Counselling Process, without being included in that reservation category.

- The candidates are requested to choose the program (UG/PG) and category correctly. Requests for change of program or category in the application form will not be entertained.
- In the event of unforeseen incidents resulting in the cancellation of a Test city or centre, or insufficient or extra number of candidates opting to appear from a particular Test Centre, the Executive Committee reserves the right to cancel such a City/Centre and shift the applicant to another City/Centre
- In order to claim the benefit of reservation, the candidate must produce the relevant certificates as prescribed by the Government of India/State Government and as required by the respective NLUs at the time of admission, as notified by them.
- Participating National Law Universities reserve the right to change the total number of seats and break-up of seats as per their policy before the final allotment. The reservation policy is subject to change as decided by the concerned Government from time to time.
- If a candidate has filled-in more than one online application form, the candidate's last online application form only will be considered. In such cases, the application fee for the previous application form will not be refunded.
- The result of the qualifying examination (i.e., 10+2) shall be submitted by the candidate at the time of admission, failing which the candidate shall be ineligible for admission to the course they may have applied for.

Documents to be uploaded with the Online Application.

1. Front facing passport size recent photograph with plain background
2. Signature of the candidate
3. Category certificate if you are applying under SC/ST/OBC
4. Relevant certificate issued by competent authority if you are applying under PwD category
5. Relevant certificate issued by competent authority if you are applying under BPL category

NOTE:

- The original certificates/documents issued by the competent authority as specified in the brochure are to be submitted to the allotted University in the form and manner as specified by the respective universities at the time of admission.
- The photograph and signature of the candidate need not be attested while submitting the Online Application Form.
- All documents/certificates should be uploaded in pdf format only.

Application Fee

- Application fees can be paid online only.
- Application fee for General/OBC candidates: Rs.4,000/-
- Application fee for SC/ST/BPL/PwD category candidates: Rs.3,500/-
- The cost of previous years' question papers is Rs.500/- (not included in the CLAT 2026 application fee of Rs.4,000/- or Rs.3,500/- as the case may be.)
- The candidates themselves will have to bear the bank transaction charges for remitting the fee online. The actual bank transaction charges will be displayed in the payment gateway page after candidates choose the mode of payment.
- Application Fees is non-refundable or non-adjustable.

Admit Card/Hall ticket

- The Admit Card/Hall ticket can be downloaded by the candidate by logging into his/her account. The exact date on which the hall tickets will be made available will be intimated on the website.

