

Class of 2025 LL.M. Candidate Bar Exam Information

Please refer to the following when completing the NY Bar Exam application and forms.

IMPORTANT DATES

OFFICIAL DEGREE CONFERRAL DATE: May 25, 2025

Please note that although you may participate in the May 11 Law School Convocation Ceremony, your degree is not officially conferred until May 25, 2025.

May 2025 General LL.M. Graduates Dates of Attendance: **08/26/2024 – 05/09/2025**

PROOF OF COMPLIANCE REQUIRED FOR LL.M. GRADUATES OF ABA APPROVED LAW SCHOOLS

Applicants qualifying to sit for the bar examination under Section 520.6 must file with the NY State Board of Law Examiners a completed *Certificate of Law School Attendance Form* and official final transcripts **no later than June 15, 2025, for the July bar examination.**

OFFICIAL CORNELL TRANSCRIPTS

LL.M. Students must request an ELECTRONIC copy of their official transcript to be delivered to the Law School Registrar (Law.registrar@cornell.edu) **AFTER JUNE 2025**, to ensure all earned credits and degree are posted. **The Law Registrar will send an email when all grades have been posted and your transcript may be requested.** The Law School will then submit this official transcript, along with your degree certification, to the NY BOLE.

All official transcripts are processed by the Office of the University Registrar, not the Law School Registrar. To Request an official transcript, visit the link below:
<https://registrar.cornell.edu/grades-transcripts/ordering-transcripts> or request an official transcript through your Student Center.

LL.M. CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

When you register for the NY bar exam, the LL.M. Certificate of Attendance form is sent directly to the Law School Registrar, who will verify the information and certify the degree. If there are any discrepancies, this office will correct the information. You do not need to submit a “paper” Certificate of Attendance for New York.

JULY 2025 NEW YORK STATE BAR EXAMINATION

Application Filing Period: March 1 – 30. THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR LATE FILING.

Examination Dates: **Tuesday - July 29 and Wednesday - July 30, 2025**

After passing the New York Bar, you have three years to seek admission. When applying for admission, the NY State Bar requires the Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE), the New York Law Exam (NYLE), certification of the 50-hour pro bono service requirement, and the Skills Competency Requirement set forth in Section 520.18 of the Rules of the Court of Appeals. Foreign-educated applicants who are required to complete an LL.M. at an ABA-approved law school, and pass the bar exam, may satisfy the Skills requirement by submitting proof of compliance with either pathway (4) Apprenticeship, or (5) Practice in another jurisdiction. Additional information is available at: <https://www.nybarexam.org/UBE/UBE.html> and <https://www.nycourts.gov/ctapps/news/nottobar/nottobar121615.pdf>.

Any questions regarding coursework and credit requirements should be directed to the Graduate Legal Studies Office (glis@cornell.edu).

DO NOT wait until the last minute to do this!
(See next page for Important Links related to the Bar)

Important Links:

New York State Board of Law Examiners:

<http://www.nybarexam.org/Default.html>

Foreign applicant information:

<http://www.nybarexam.org/Rules/Rules.htm#520.6>

LLM course requirements (to qualify for bar exam):

<http://www.nybarexam.org/Foreign/ForeignLegalEducation.htm>

National Conference of Bar Examiners:

<http://www.ncbex.org/>

MPRE (Multi-state Professional Responsibility Exam):

<http://www.ncbex.org/exams/mpre/>

American Bar Association:

<http://www.americanbar.org/aba.html>