Prelaw Application Checklist

Summer 2013
☐ Register for the Law School Admission Council’s Credential Assembly Service.
☐ Request official transcripts to be sent to the Credential Assembly Service.
☐ Register for the LSAT, which is being offered on October 5 and 7 and December 7 and 9.
☐ Reach out to potential recommenders to discuss their willingness to write you a letter of recommendation.
☐ Create a comprehensive list of ABA accredited law schools to which you would like to apply. (See Resources and Get Inspired on the GS Prelaw website for help with this).
☐ Begin crafting your personal statement.
☐ Meet with a counselor from the Center for Career Education to update your resume.

Fall 2013
☐ Identify the early decision, early action, and regular decision deadlines for the law schools to which you will be applying.
☐ Confirm that all of your letters of recommendation have been uploaded into the application system through www.lsac.org.
☐ Finalize your personal statement.
☐ Check the GS pre-law page for upcoming events, including campus visits from law school admissions officers, the Columbia Law Fair, and the New York Law School Forum.
☐ Request Deans Certifications (if applicable).
☐ Strive to submit your application no later than mid-November.

Spring 2014
☐ Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) if you are applying for financial aid.
☐ Submit an updated transcript with your grades from fall 2013 to any school for which you are currently waitlisted or from which you have not yet heard back.
☐ Attend open houses at the schools to which you were admitted.
☐ Pay the deposit at the school of your choice by the appropriate deadline.