

Academic Enhancement Program – Frequently Asked Questions

LASSI: Learning and Study Strategies Inventory

WHAT IS LASSI?

LASSI is an online assessment tool which assesses skill-sets proven to help students maximize academic performance and be strategic learners.

AM I REQUIRED TO TAKE THE LASSI?

Yes, all incoming 1Ls are required to take the LASSI.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I TAKE THE LASSI?

Your results will be emailed to you after completing the assessment. The AEP also gets a copy.

IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MY LASSI RESULTS, WHO CAN I DISCUSS THEM WITH?

You may discuss your results with the AEP Assistant Dean by scheduling an appointment.

Skills Workshops During the Semester

WHAT ARE AEP SKILLS WORKSHOPS?

AEP skills workshops are designed to equip students, sooner rather than later, with academic, learning, and study skills needed to master the law school curriculum. Workshops focus on topics such as outlining, issue spotting, legal analysis for exam writing, and exam prep.

DO I NEED TO REGISTER FOR EACH SKILLS WORKSHOP DURING THE SEMESTER?

No, registration is not required. Reminders are sent out by email a week ahead. An email reminder is also sent within 24 hours of the scheduled workshop. Watch for these reminders.

AM I REQUIRED TO ATTEND THESE SKILLS WORKSHOPS?

No, participation is voluntary but we strongly recommend you attend all workshops because 1Ls get study and exam tips that are not readily available elsewhere.

AEP Criminal Law Study Groups

WHAT ARE STUDY GROUPS?

AEP study groups are structured weekly discussion led by a 2L (or a 3L) who had taken the class with the same professor previously. They are designed to provide opportunities for you to further clarify topics or to discuss practice questions provided by the professor.

WHEN WILL MY DISCUSSIONS BE?

AEP study groups will meet weekly on Saturdays at 12:00pm. Study groups will meet weekly between Saturday, September 19th - Saturday, November 21st.

ARE THE STUDY GROUPS IN PERSON OR ONLINE?

AEP study groups will be online only.

HOW DO I ACCESS MY STUDY GROUP?

Each study group will have its own canvas page. This is not the same one as your Criminal Law course. You will have to accept the invitation to join the Criminal Law Discussion Group Canvas Page. Initiation to participate will be sent to you separately. You will receive an email reminder the Friday before each discussion.

One-on-One Appointments with AEP Assistant Dean

WHAT CAN I DISCUSS WITH THE AEP ASSISTANT DEAN?

Some topics that you may want to discuss are: LASSI results, individualized study strategies, outlining, exam prep, exam-writing skills, time-management tips, grade follow-up, stress management and any other related topics.

HOW DO I SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT?

Click on the [schedule an appointment link](#).

CAN I MAKE A SAME DAY APPOINTMENT?

No. Appointments must be made at least 24 hours in advance unless it is highly time sensitive that needs immediate attention.

ARE ONE-ON-ONE APPOINTMENTS ONLINE OR IN-PERSON?

One-on-one appointments will be online only.

AEP Library Resources

WHAT LIBRARY RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE?

View the [list of AEP library resources](#).

HOW DO I CHECKOUT LIBRARY RESOURCES?

Schedule a time to check out the study aids. You will have a 15 minute window to come in-person to the AEP office to pick up your AEP books.

HOW LONG CAN I KEEP THEM?

AEP library resources are available to be checked out for 3-weeks, unless another student is requesting the library resource. During exam period, library resources are available for 2-day check-out (but renewable).

WHAT IF I FORGET TO RENEW OR RETURN MY LIBRARY RESOURCES?

It is a privilege for UW law students to be able to borrow AEP study aids and other library resources. Continued abuse of AEP library and rental policy may lead to suspension or termination from borrowing AEP library resources. View the AEP library resources expectation of student users for more information.

Exam Period at the AEP

WHAT IS THE "EXAM PERIOD" AT AEP?

The last 5-6 weeks of each semester the AEP calls Exam Period. It means:

- Practice questions and model answers are available.
- UW law past exam and student answers. These materials may not be removed from the AEP and is based on an honor-system.
- One-on-one exam prep appointments with AEP Assistant Dean is encouraged to establish individual study and exam prep strategies.