

Syracuse University

College of Law



READY FOR THE WORLD



World Class Opportunities

Syracuse University is an internationally renowned private research university located in picturesque Central New York. Our 22,000 students include more than 4,000 international students from more than 100 countries.

The College of Law is housed in Dineen Hall, an inviting space, creating a rich community for legal education in the 21st century. Through the intersection of best practices and well-planned spaces for learning and faculty-student interaction, Dineen Hall provides a superior experience for students to meet the rigorous demands of a modern law degree.

Come to Syracuse for the experience of a lifetime!

I welcome international students, academics, and visitors to step onto the Syracuse University campus for a transformative and exciting experience. As the seasons change in picturesque Central New York, so will you grow and develop in your understanding of the law while studying under expert faculty in a supportive academic environment.

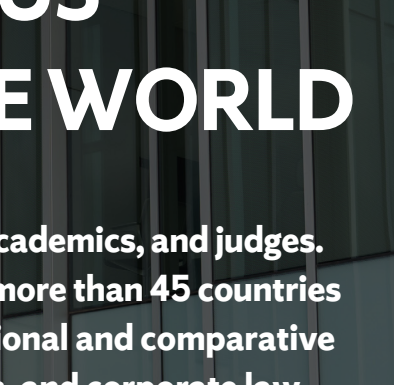
Our mission is to educate and expand your knowledge, and we hope to learn from you through a shared affinity for the rule of law. Your perspectives as foreign-educated lawyers and scholars are valued, and we encourage you to draw on your experience in classroom and public lectures.

As a graduate, you will join our worldwide professional network of alumni and partners. More than 10,000 College of Law alumni practice in every state of the US and in more than 130 countries across a wide range of practice areas.

Reach out and connect with me should you wish to learn more about all that is waiting for you here in Syracuse.

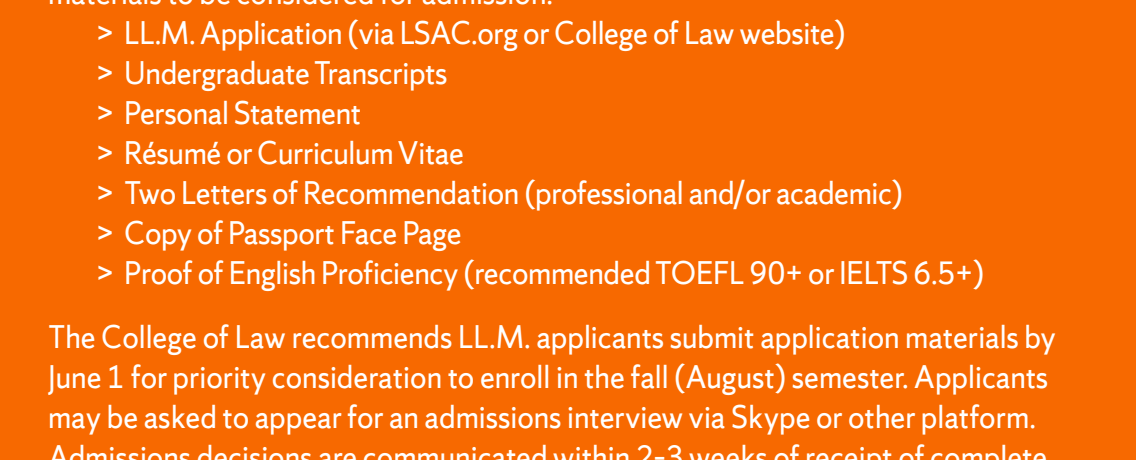


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ENTER THE CAMPUS ENGAGE WITH THE WORLD

Our LL.M. students are practicing lawyers, academics, and judges. We have hosted international lawyers from more than 45 countries to pursue a wide range of studies in international and comparative disability law, technology commercialization, and corporate law.



Master of Laws (LL.M.) Program

Designed for foreign-educated legal professionals, the LL.M. program can be completed over two or three semesters. It provides a thorough understanding of the foundations of the American legal system and allows students to specialize their studies in a variety of domestic, international, and comparative legal subjects.

LL.M. degree requirements include:

- > Introduction to the American Legal System (3 credits)
- > Legal Writing for International Students (3 credits)
- > Writing Requirement (minimum 25 pages)
- > Elective courses (minimum 18 credits)

Students are able to balance their academic interests while also satisfying the eligibility requirements to sit for the bar exam in New York.

Outside the classroom, LL.M. students take part in personal and professional development programs, such as the Job Shadow Program, Law Firm Lunch Series, International Scholar Lecture Series, the Student Bar Association, and many community-based pro bono and networking opportunities. Students are supported by a team of LL.M. student mentors, faculty advisors, professors, and College of Law administration.

LL.M. Admissions Details

LL.M. candidates must hold a first degree in law (LL.B. or undergraduate degree in law) from a foreign institution. Applicants should be prepared to submit the following materials to be considered for admission:

- > LL.M. Application (via LSAC.org or College of Law website)
- > Undergraduate Transcripts
- > Personal Statement
- > Résumé or Curriculum Vitae
- > Two Letters of Recommendation (professional and/or academic)
- > Copy of Passport Face Page
- > Proof of English Proficiency (recommended TOEFL 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

The College of Law recommends LL.M. applicants submit application materials by June 1 for priority consideration to enroll in the fall (August) semester. Applicants may be asked to appear for an admissions interview via Skype or other platform. Admissions decisions are communicated within 2-3 weeks of receipt of complete application materials.

The College of Law offers **conditional admission** to students who desire to study English at our English Language Institute before enrolling in the **LL.M. program**.



Two-Year Accelerated J.D.

Our accelerated Two-Year J.D. program is open to those with an undergraduate degree in law who desire a richer understanding of the American legal system and plan on practicing law in the United States.

English for Lawyers

We offer for conditional admission to applicants who would benefit from additional English language instruction at Syracuse University's English Language Institute (ELI). Applicants are encouraged to enroll in the intense "English for Lawyers" summer session at ELI. This six-week program focuses on legal reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills, and it offers an introduction to the US legal system. Visit eli.syr.edu to learn more about this program.

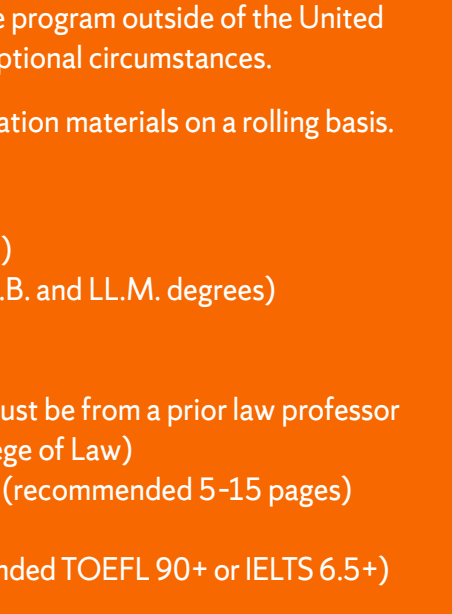
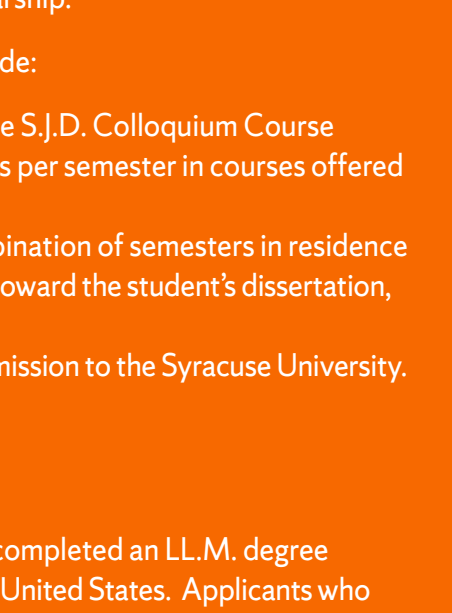
Visiting Scholars

The College of Law welcomes academics and practitioners for short-term research visits. Scholars and researchers are provided with work space in the Office of International Programs and have access to Syracuse University's expansive library collections, databases, and other resources. Faculty expertise and the ability to observe course lectures offer an added layer of research support.

Merit Scholarships and Partners

All students are considered for merit scholarships to reduce the cost of tuition. Syracuse, NY, is one of the most affordable places to live in the US. We work with an extensive network of sponsoring organizations, such as Fulbright and the Organization of American States, along with foreign governments to open opportunities for students.

Students may review updated information on tuition and fees at law.syr.edu.



Doctoral of Juridical Science (S.J.D.) in Law Program

The College's S.J.D. program is a research doctorate, comparable to a Ph.D. in other disciplines. Based primarily on legal research, S.J.D. students will work under the supervision of a College of Law faculty member to produce an original dissertation that makes a substantial contribution to legal scholarship.

The S.J.D. curriculum and degree requirements include:

- > First year (Year 1) "in residence," to complete the S.J.D. Colloquium Course (3 credits) and a minimum of 6 additional credits per semester in courses offered at Syracuse University.
- > Subsequent years (Years 2-4), to pursue a combination of semesters in residence to enroll in additional courses, conduct research toward the student's dissertation, or conduct field research in Syracuse or abroad.
- > Successful oral defense of a dissertation and submission to the Syracuse University.

Students may complete the degree in 3 to 5 years.

S.J.D. Admissions Details

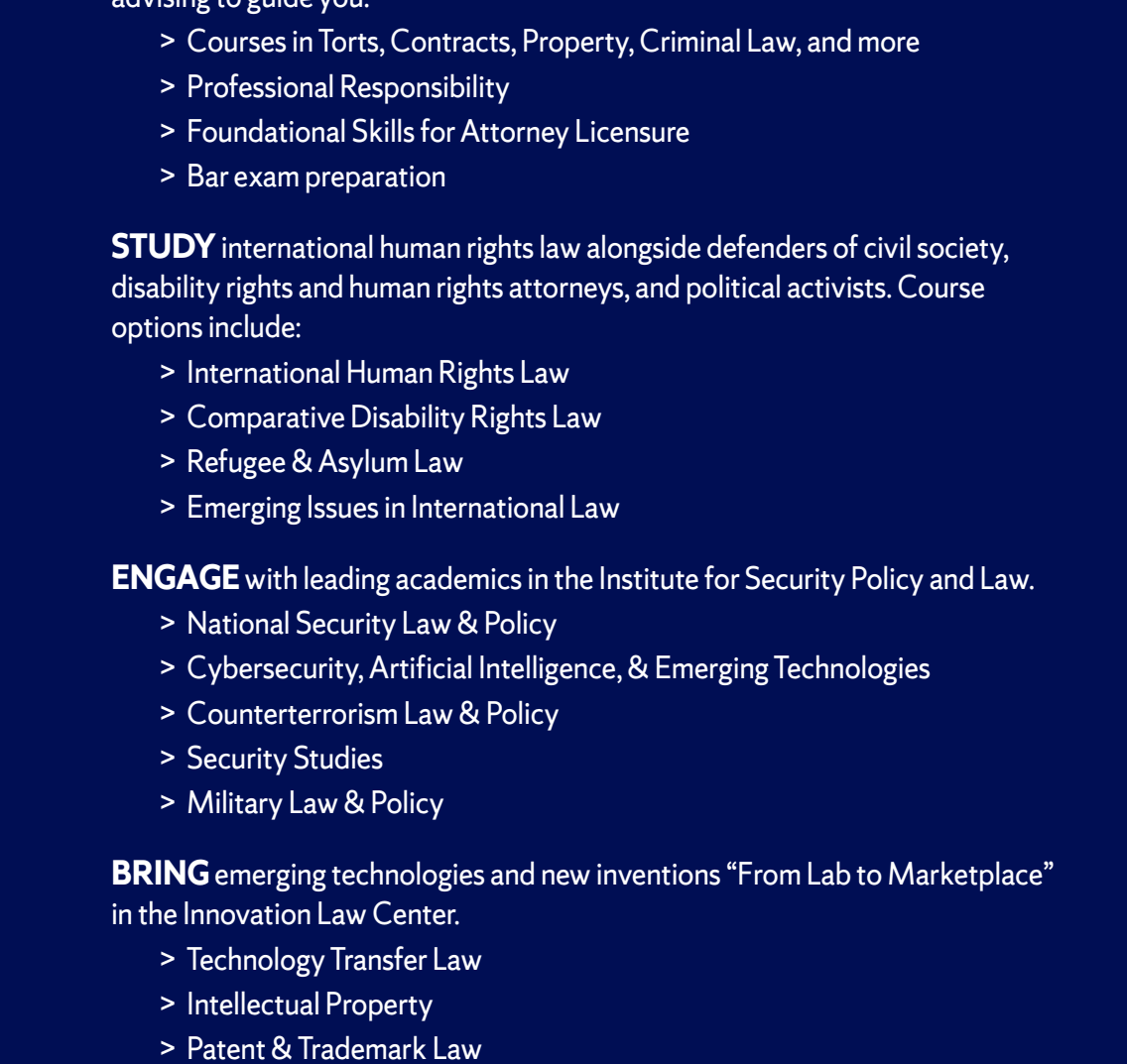
S.J.D. applicants are expected to have successfully completed an LL.M. degree program at an ABA-accredited law school within the United States. Applicants who have successfully completed a Master of Law degree program outside of the United States may be considered for admission under exceptional circumstances.

The S.J.D. Admissions Committee will review application materials on a rolling basis. Applicants must submit the following materials:

- > S.J.D. Application Form (College of Law website)
- > Transcripts from all prior legal education (i.e., LL.B. and LL.M. degrees)
- > Personal Statement
- > Résumé or Curriculum Vitae
- > Two Letters of Recommendation (at least one must be from a prior law professor or from a professor at Syracuse University College of Law)
- > Research Proposal with source list/bibliography (recommended 5-15 pages)
- > One academic writing sample
- > Proof of English Language proficiency (recommended TOEFL 90+ or IELTS 6.5+)

The College of Law recommends S.J.D. applicants submit applications by April 15 for priority consideration to enroll in the fall (August) semester. Applicants may be asked to appear for an admissions interview via Skype or other platform.

The College of Law offers conditional admission to students who have not yet received a LL.M. degree from an ABA-accredited law school, but who successfully complete the Syracuse University College LL.M. Program requirements before starting the **S.J.D. program**.



Alumni from
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PURSUE A VARIETY OF ACADEMIC SPECIALIZATIONS

Our students can choose from nearly 100 courses to specialize their studies toward professional goals and interests.

PREPARE for the New York State Bar Exam with academic and professional advising to guide you.

- > Courses in Torts, Contracts, Property, Criminal Law, and more
- > Professional Responsibility
- > Foundational Skills for Attorney Licensure
- > Bar exam preparation

STUDY international human rights law alongside defenders of civil society, disability rights and human rights attorneys, and political activists. Course options include:

- > International Human Rights Law
- > Comparative Disability Rights Law
- > Refugee & Asylum Law
- > Emerging Issues in International Law

ENGAGE with leading academics in the Institute for Security Policy and Law.

- > National Security Law & Policy
- > Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence, & Emerging Technologies
- > Counterterrorism Law & Policy
- > Security Studies
- > Military Law & Policy

BRING emerging technologies and new inventions "From Lab to Marketplace" in the Innovation Law Center.

- > Technology Transfer Law
- > Intellectual Property
- > Patent & Trademark Law
- > Copyright Law

DEVELOP an expertise in business, corporate, and commercial law at one of New York's premiere private law schools. Course options include:

- > International Business Transactions
- > Commercial Transactions
- > Corporate Financing
- > Banking Law
- > Comparative Law

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