

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

ADMISSION APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete and submit the admission application form together with the \$75 application fee. The application fee is neither refundable nor will be credited toward tuition and fees.
2. Take and obtain a score on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and register with the Credential Assembly Services (CAS). Registration for the LSAT and CAS can be completed through LSAC at LSAC.org or by telephone at 215.968.1001.
3. The College of Law recommends that you take the LSAT no later than February of the year prior to the year you wish to enroll. Scores from the June test will be considered, but may delay the admission decision. LSAT scores cannot be more than five years old (test date in 2010 or later).
4. Submit transcripts of all previous college or university study through the Credential Assembly Services (CAS). Graduate and prior law study transcripts also must be submitted through Credential Assembly Services. Failure to submit all transcripts will delay review of your application.
5. Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit up to three letters of recommendation. Statements from persons familiar with your qualifications for the study of law, especially professors under whom you have studied, often prove helpful. If you are currently in an undergraduate or graduate program, or have recently completed one, the Admissions Committee will expect to see letters of recommendation from professors under whom you have studied.

We recommend that applicants submit letters of recommendation through the LSAC Letter of Recommendation Service (refer to LSAC.org for details). Letters of recommendation are also accepted directly from the recommender. If it is sent this way, recommenders should use the appropriate letterhead and send to the College of Law with their signature across the sealed envelope. The College of Law will accept evaluations through the LSAC Evaluation Service. Evaluations are not required, nor should they be used in place of letters of recommendation.

6. If you are an undergraduate Juniom applying through an approved 3 + 3 program, check the box for "3 + 3 program candidate".
7. Transfer and visiting student applicants must submit the additional documents outlined on the College of Law web site under Transfer Admissions.
8. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens must submit all materials required of domestic applicants as well as the additional documentation outlined on our web site under Applying as an International Student. This documentation includes educational records, TOEFL, proof of financial support, and sponsor letter.
9. If you are interested in a joint degree program, applicants must apply separately to the College of Law and to the other Syracuse University graduate program. Joint degree applicants may have to take additional standardized tests, such as the GRE or GMAT. Application information and supporting documentation submitted to the College of Law will not be shared with or photocopied for other Syracuse University departments. In addition, joint degree candidates should be aware that consistent with Law School Admission Council policy, LSAT scores may be used for purposes of admission to law schools only. The College of Law and Credential Assembly Services (CAS) will not report LSAT scores to other graduate departments. Candidates should request the Syracuse University graduate application from Syracuse

University, Office of Graduate Admissions, at telephone 315.443.4492, or may find it online at www.gradsch.syr.edu.

10. The deadline for receipt of application materials is April 1 to be considered for admission in the fall semester of the same year. An application is complete and ready for review after the College of Law receives the completed application forms and the Credential Assembly Services (CAS) report from LSAC. We suggest that materials be submitted through the Credential Assembly Services by February 15 to enable the Credential Assembly Services to compile and submit them to the College of Law before the April 1 deadline.
11. Admission applicants will be contacted by the College of Law Financial Aid Office with instructions on how to apply for need-based financial aid (such as College of Law Grants and Federal Loans). A Financial Aid "To Do List" will be assigned on www.MySlice.syr.edu, the university's webportal. To apply for need-based aid, complete "initiated" items by the priority deadline: February 15.

Merit scholarships are awarded without regard to financial need. All candidates will be considered for scholarships through the admission application process.

12. It is your responsibility to make certain that all necessary materials and credentials are received by Law Services and the College of Law in a timely manner. You should retain for your records copies of all correspondence forwarded to LSAC and the College of Law, including your admission application forms, financial aid application forms, and all attachments and enclosures.
13. For additional information contact, the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid by telephone at 315.443.1962 or by e-mail at admissions@law.syr.edu, or financialaid@law.syr.edu

The College of Law's web site is located at www.law.syr.edu

Application Checklist

- Application forms, Parts A and B, dated and signed
- Resume
- Personal Statement
- \$75 application fee, check or money order, made payable to Syracuse University
- Signed Certification Statement
- All Financial Aid application materials (by February 15th)

All applicants must complete this form. Refer to the instructions before completing.

1. Full legal name:
LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL SUFFIX (i.e. JR)

2. Personal data: Female Male

3a. Social Security Number: - -

3b. LSAC Account number:

4. Date of Birth: / / (see statement on inside back cover)
MONTH DAY YEAR

Office Use Only:

SUID:

Fee status: S W I

5. Citizenship U.S. citizen Permanent resident Nonresident alien

6. Country of Birth:

7. Is English your native language? Yes No

If no, please indicate your native language:

In addition to your native language, please list languages in which you are fluent:

8. Race and Ethnic Background (see statement on the college of law web site)

8a. Are you Hispanic/Latino? Yes No

If Yes, please choose your background: Mexican American Puerto Rican Other Hispanic/Latino

8b. What is your race? Please choose one or more:

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander White

9. Do you identify as LGBT (optional)? Yes No

10. E-mail Address:

11. Permanent telephone with area code: ()

12. Permanent address:
STREET NUMBER AND NAME APARTMENT NUMBER

CITY STATE COUNTRY ZIP CODE

13. Present telephone with area code: ()

14. Present mailing address:
STREET NUMBER AND NAME APARTMENT NUMBER

CITY STATE COUNTRY ZIP CODE

15. Last date on which mail will reach you at this address: / /
MONTH DAY YEAR

16. Are you or someone in your family an active member of the military? Yes No

17. Application category:

Full-Time 1st year candidate Part-Time 1st year candidate 3+3 Program candidate
 Transfer student, J.D. candidate Visiting student, non-J.D. candidate

18. Indicate the date(s) you took the LSAT, or when you intend to take the LSAT: / ; / ; /
MONTH YEAR MONTH YEAR MONTH YEAR

19. Have you registered with the Credential Assembly Service (CAS)?

Yes, give date of your current registration with them: / /
MONTH DAY YEAR

No, give date that you anticipate registering with them: / /
MONTH DAY YEAR

20. Have you ever registered at any law school, taken any law classes on a matriculated or non-matriculated basis at a law school, or participated in any law school conditional acceptance program? Yes No

If yes, give dates and details on a separate page and include complete official transcript(s) for all prior law study.

21. Have you previously applied to Syracuse University College of Law? Yes No

If yes, give dates and details, including the decision, on a separate page.

22. Have you ever been censured for misconduct, subject to disciplinary action, or are any disciplinary charges pending or expected to be brought against you, for academic or other reasons (including academic or disciplinary probation, suspension, warning, or dismissal), in any educational institution you have attended or place of employment?

Yes No

If yes, give dates and details, including the specific action, on a separate page or on an electronic attachment. See statements on final page of application. (Note: Misrepresentation may result in administrative sanctions. Refer to the certification statement in the focus book.)

23. Have you ever been arrested, charged with, convicted of, plead guilty to, or are you currently under indictment for any violation of law other than minor traffic violations? Note: Although a conviction may have been expunged from your record by an order of the court, it does not relieve you of the duty to disclose the matter on this statement. Misrepresentation may result in administrative sanctions. Refer to the certification statement in the focus book.

Yes No

If yes, give dates and details, including the disposition of such charge, on a separate page or on an electronic attachment. See statements on final page of application.

24. Has your college, university, graduate school, or professional school course been interrupted for one or more terms for any reason?

Yes No

If yes, give dates and details on a separate page or on an electronic attachment.

25. Have you ever been separated from any branch of the U.S. armed forces, the Peace Corps, or any other service organization under conditions other than honorable?

Yes No

If yes, give dates and details on a separate page or on an electronic attachment.

26. List all colleges and universities attended, most recent first (other law schools must be listed here).

Attach additional page(s) if necessary.

Name: Dates attended: / to /
MONTH YEAR MONTH YEAR

Date of Graduation: month/year / Degree Awarded: Major:

Name: Dates attended: / to /
MONTH YEAR MONTH YEAR

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27. On a separate page, provide a listing of any coursework you intend to complete prior to law school. This includes courses in your senior year of college or graduate coursework. If this coursework will be noted "in progress" on your transcript, please note this on a separate page. Include course number and title.

28. Which of the following factors prompted you to apply to Syracuse University College of Law? (please select all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ABA Official Guide to ABA Approved Law Schools | <input type="checkbox"/> Current College of Law student | <input type="checkbox"/> Reputation of the College of Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Candidate Referral Service mailing | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint degree program availability | <input type="checkbox"/> Reputation of Syracuse University sports teams |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College of Law alumna/alumnus (please list name and graduation year, if known) | <input type="checkbox"/> Overall reputation of Syracuse University | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. News and World Report |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="text"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Law Advisor or Professor | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit to the College of Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College of Law video | <input type="checkbox"/> Publication such as <i>Princeton Review</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College of Law web site | <input type="checkbox"/> Recruiter at a law forum or college fair | |

29. Joint Degree Applicant (Refer to instruction item 9.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Accounting (M.S. or Ph.D.) | <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./M.A. in International Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Communications (M.S., M.A. or Ph.D.) | <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./M.S. in Disability Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Management (M.B.A. or Ph.D.) | <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./M.S. in Engineering and Computer Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Public Administration (M.P.A. or Ph.D.) | <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./M.S. in Forensic Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Social Work (M.S.W.) | <input type="checkbox"/> J.D./Ph.D. in <input type="text"/> |

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Name:
LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL SUFFIX (i.e., JR)

Social Security Number: - -

30. In what area of law are you interested? Please select one. You will receive information from a faculty member.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Law | <input type="checkbox"/> National Security and CounterTerrorism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Law, Governance and Citizenship | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Interest Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate and Business Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law | <input type="checkbox"/> International Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Law and Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Law | | |

31. On a separate page, list the following information (a current resume may be used):

- a) scholastic honors received;
- b) extracurricular activities in college and your role in each;
- c) jobs and number of hours worked per week while in college (distinguish between school year and vacation employment); and
- d) positions you have held if you have worked after college, including employer, dates of employment, and reasons for leaving employment.

32. Please indicate as concisely as you can how your experiences, talents, and interests would add to the law school student body or would benefit the educational experiences of your law school classmates. Please consider topics such as; what has lead you to pursue a law degree, your involvement in campus or community activities, or your thoughts on a recent topic in the media. Your statement should be no more than two double-spaced pages in length and should include your full name on each page.

33. List the name, position, and business address of each individual you have asked to provide a letter of recommendation on your behalf.

Please note: Syracuse University College of Law recommends that applicants submit letters of recommendation through the LSAC Letter of Recommendation Service. Refer to the LSAT & LSDAS Registration Information Book for details.

Letters of recommendation received directly from your recommendation writers will also be accepted.

Name Position
 Address
 Professor Advisor Employer/Supervisor Other

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Certification Statement

It is the policy of Syracuse University not to discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion, marital status, age, disability, sexual orientation, status as a disabled veteran, or as a veteran of the Vietnam Era in its educational programs, admissions policies, employment practices, and other University-administered programs. Further information regarding this policy is set out in the statement of nondiscrimination on the inside back cover of the focus book. Applicants should consult the statement of nondiscrimination before completing this form.

All applicants are strongly encouraged to check with the state bar examiner's office of the states in which they intend to practice law, regarding character and fitness for admission to the bar.

I understand that all information submitted to the College of Law Admissions Office as a part of my application for admission will be used to evaluate my candidacy to the College of Law only. No documents from my application file will be copied or forwarded to other departments or individuals, including myself.

By signing this application or transmitting it electronically, I certify that the information I have provided in this application and in any related materials is true and complete. I accept responsibility to promptly notify Syracuse University College of Law in writing of any change in the information that I have provided in this application from the time of application to the time of matriculation, and continuously during my enrollment, through graduation. I certify that I am the author of the statements and/or additional information included with this application. I understand that the statements made herein are the basis upon which my application will be decided. I also understand that any misrepresentation can result in administrative sanctions and be cause for denial or cancellation of admission, removal from the program if matriculated, and additional sanctions by the bar of any jurisdiction during their investigation of character and fitness for the practice of law.

Signature Date