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SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

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# ORANGE EDGE

Dear Orange Edge Participant,

Welcome to Syracuse University College of Law's 2019 Orange Edge program! We are excited to provide you with the opportunity to participate in a program specifically designed to help you get a head-start on developing academic skills and lasting relationships, which are critical for a positive law school experience.

As part of the Orange Edge curriculum, you will be exposed to first-year core subjects, legal research and writing, and legal study skills. In addition to the academic component, Orange Edge will provide the opportunity for you to interact with other incoming students and form a support system at the College of Law early on.

Please take some time to review the information that is posted for you on the [Orange Edge Participant Information](#) link of the College of Law website for admitted students. This will give you details about the Orange Edge Program in general, as well as other important details to get you started.

Your first task as an Orange Edge Student, which you will find on the website, is to complete the assignment titled **“Risman Assignment for Opening Day.”** The first day of class is a full-length working session, so do come prepared to discuss the material.

If you have not done so already, please [upload your headshot photo](#) to ensure you have your SU ID by opening day. You will need your SU ID to access our building, Dineen Hall.

We look forward to working with you this summer in an effort to give you an “edge” to beginning your law school career.

Sincerely,

Courtney Abbott Hill, Esq.

Director of the Orange Edge Program

Associate Director of Student Affairs

## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- I. To provide a rigorous introduction to the first year law school experience through the use of a 10-day experience designed to develop legal reasoning and writing skills, to assess and improve writing competency, and to teach study skills strategies appropriate for law students.
- II. To provide opportunities for students to interact socially with each other, the law school faculty and administration, and upper-class students as a means to ease the transition into law school, to reduce isolation and alienation, to introduce avenues of support, and to provide role models and allow for networking to begin.

**ORANGE EDGE '19** will run on campus from **July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 10<sup>th</sup>**.

- The academic year Orientation Program, which is mandatory for all incoming first-year students, will be held on **August 12<sup>th</sup>** through **August 16<sup>th</sup> 2019**. Students should recognize that the Orange Edge summer program will merge into the fall semester academic program

## **CURRICULUM**

The program is comprised of the following components:

**Law School Success:** Students will be introduced to various members of the staff and faculty at the College of Law who will be important points of contact for students going forward.

**Law and the Legal System:** Daily classes will be conducted using a set of cases and materials developed for the Orange Edge Program. The classes will analyze the structure and function of the United States legal system and both the common law method and statutory lawmaking. Using a series of cases from the first year curriculum, students will be exposed to the rigorous study of law. All students will learn to read and brief cases, extrapolate rules of law from their readings and apply those rules to new fact patterns.

**Legal Writing Workshop:** Daily classes will be taught by a Legal Writing Professor culminating with the students preparing an Office Memorandum.

**Small Group Study Sessions:** Teaching Assistants will lead sessions daily to debrief the day's material, work on assignments, and answer students' questions in an informal setting. The Teaching Assistants will also present on study skills such as class preparation, note taking, outlines, flowcharts and exam preparation.

## **BOOKS & SUPPLIES**

Students are responsible to pay for their books and supplies for the Orange Edge summer program. You have the option of purchasing your books for the Orange Edge Program from the Syracuse University Bookstore on opening day of the program. The University Bookstore accepts cash or credit cards.

If you prefer to buy your books ahead of time, please see below for the listing of books.

Ramy, Herbert N. *Succeeding in Law School* (2d ed.). Carolina Academic Press. (ISBN: 9781594607400)

The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20<sup>th</sup> ed.) (ISBN: 9780692400197)

**\*Please note that this is the 20<sup>th</sup> edition\***

## HOUSING

Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements off-campus. Please see the admitted student website for an optional list of apartments in the area.

There is limited on-campus housing available (\$225/week). You can apply through your MySlice account under the Housing Self-Service Portal (Log in, click Applications, then Apply.)

## PARKING

Our Parking and Transit Services Office requires students to obtain a temporary parking permit in order to avoid being ticketed over the summer. In order to register for a temporary parking permit, you must fill out the parking application found under the [Orange Edge section](#) on our admitted student website. You will then submit this form directly to Parking & Transit Services by email to [parkmail@syr.edu](mailto:parkmail@syr.edu). For your convenience, parking passes will be available for pick-up at the Irving Avenue Parking Garage on 7/30 from 7:30AM-1:30PM. *This option will only be available to you if your parking registrations is received by the 7/25 deadline.*

Deadline date of parking application to Parking & Transit Services: **July 25<sup>th</sup>**

Cost for 10-day parking (lot) permit: \$35. Cost for 10-day parking (garage) permit: \$75 (plus refundable \$75 deposit for security devices).

\*If we do not receive your parking application by the above deadline you may be at risk for not receiving a temporary parking permit. If you miss the deadline, please visit the parking office between 8AM & 4PM.

Make sure to review the recent *5 Important Next Steps* newsletters, which provides instructions on how to pre-purchase your parking permit for the year. If you choose not to participate in this pre-registration, you may purchase a parking permit at the Skytop Office Building on campus at any time. You will need to bring your vehicle registration and your Syracuse University ID card with you to purchase this permit.

## FEES

Please find all payment details on the [bursar's website](#).

Costs for books, supplies, food and other personal expenses are the responsibility of individual students. We are unable to offer any financial aid or to certify any student loans to cover these incidental costs of the Orange Edge Program. Therefore, students attending this program should arrive on campus with adequate resources to cover these out-of-pocket expenses.

## HEALTH RECORDS

Your health record must be completed by you and your health care provider. Go to the patient portal at [suhportal.syr.edu](http://suhportal.syr.edu) and fill out your health history as accurately and thoroughly as possible and upload your immunization and physical examination form as soon as possible.

If your health history, immunization and physical examination information is not completed and uploaded to the patient portal prior to your arrival on campus, a hold will be placed on your MySlice account and you will be ineligible to register for a second semester.

### [Syracuse University Health Services Office](#)

111 Waverly Ave.  
Syracuse, NY 13244-2320  
Telephone: (315) 443-2666  
e-mail: [suhealth@syr.edu](mailto:suhealth@syr.edu)

## LOCKERS

You will be assigned a locker on the first day of Orientation. **Plan to bring a combination lock for your locker.**

## OTHER QUESTIONS

Contact the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid at 315.443.1962 or email us at [admissions@law.syr.edu](mailto:admissions@law.syr.edu) if you have questions about the Orange Edge Program. We look forward to meeting you soon!

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**July 31 – August 10, 2019**

	<b>Wednesday 7/31</b>	<b>Thursday 8/1</b>	<b>Friday 8/2</b>	<b>Saturday 8/3</b>
<b>9:00-11:00</b>	<b>Opening Day</b>	Law and the Legal System	Law and the Legal System	Law and the Legal System
<b>11:00-12:00</b>		Introduction to the College of Law	Introduction to the College of Law	Introduction to the College of Law
<b>12:00-1:00</b>		<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>
<b>1:00-2:30</b>		Legal Writing Workshop	Legal Writing Workshop	Legal Writing Workshop
<b>2:30-3:30</b>		Small Group Session	Small Group Session	Small Group Session

	<b>Monday 8/5</b>	<b>Tuesday 8/6</b>	<b>Wednesday 8/7</b>	<b>Thursday 8/8</b>	<b>Friday 8/9</b>	<b>Saturday 8/10</b>
<b>9:00-11:00</b>	Law and the Legal System	Legal Writing Workshop	Law and the Legal System	Law and the Legal System	Law and the Legal System	Legal Writing Workshop
<b>11:00-12:00</b>	Introduction to the College of Law	Small Group Session	Introduction to the College of Law	Introduction to the College of Law	Introduction to the College of Law	Final Exam
<b>12:00-1:00</b>	<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>	<i>LUNCH</i>	
<b>1:00-2:30</b>	Legal Writing Workshop	<b>Midterm</b>	Legal Writing Workshop	Legal Writing Workshop	Legal Writing Workshop	Faculty Office Hours By Appointment  Or TA Open Office Hours
<b>2:30-3:30</b>	Small Group Session		Small Group Session	Small Group Session	Small Group Session	