GOALS & OBJECTIVES

I. To provide a rigorous introduction to the first year law school experience through the use of a one week or a three week classroom 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.

1 week program: Monday, August 10th – Friday, August 14th 2015

3 week program: Monday, July 27th – Friday, August 14th 2015
(Students admitted through the Legal Education Opportunity (LEO) Program would attend the 3 week Orange Edge Program)

A synchronous option is available for the 1 week and 3 week Orange Edge Program. Please note that this program option is in real time and the classes typically run from 9:00am-3:30pm Eastern Standard Time). Orange Edge remote participants can participate in the program via the Adobe Connect platform. A web conferencing tool, similar to GoToMeeting or WebEx, Connect allows remote participants to see and hear video and audio from the classroom, including slideshow presentations and other multimedia, and to participate using their own webcams and microphones. Please contact Joel Whitney, College of Law Computer Consultant, at jpwhitne@law.syr.edu at least a week prior to the start of the program in order to receive the technical instructions for connecting and perform test calls.

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 by faculty and staff of the Office of Student Life 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.

The Orange Edge Program will include a written examination and a memorandum of law. The Orange Edge staff will set up individual appointments for participants of the 3 week program as part of the evaluation process. The academic year Orientation Program, which is mandatory for all incoming first-year students, will be held on August 17th through August 21st 2015. Students should recognize that the Orange Edge summer program will merge into the fall semester academic program.

**BOOKS & SUPPLIES**

Students are responsible to pay for their books and supplies for the Orange Edge summer program. You will be given the option of purchasing your books for the Orange Edge Program from the Syracuse University Bookstore on opening day of each 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 (if you are registered for the synchronous program, please purchase your books in enough time to ensure that you have them by opening day):*


*Only required for the 3 week program*


*Required for the 3 week program, however only recommended for the 1 week program*

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

*Please note that this is the 20th 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.

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 the Office of Admissions. Please fax over your application to 315-443-9568 or scan and email to admissions@law.syr.edu. You will select Stadium as your lot choice as this is the closest to the law school.

3 week program: Deadline date of parking application to Office of Admissions: July 15th

Cost for 3 week parking permit for Stadium Lot: $53

1 week program: Deadline date of parking application to Office of Admissions: July 27th

Cost for 1 week parking permit for Stadium Lot: $33

*If we do not receive your parking application to our office by the above deadlines, you may be at risk for not receiving a temporary parking permit.

Make sure to be on the lookout for upcoming Orange Law Insider newsletters, which will provide 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

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. The completed health form must be returned to the University's Health Services Office prior to Orange Edge Opening Day. Students who have not complied with this requirement will not be allowed to register. The address for the University’s Health Services Office is:
LOCKERS

You will be assigned a locker on the first day of Orientation on Monday, August 17th. Plan to bring a combination lock for your locker.

OTHER QUESTIONS

Contact the Office of Admissions if you have questions about the Orange Edge Program or Opening Day. We look forward to meeting you!