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Dear International Students at the College of Law:

I write to follow on recent messages from Dean Boise and Interim Provost John Liu and share more specific details regarding the [recent guidelines](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) articulated by Immigration Customs and Enforcement (ICE).

As you know, Syracuse University and the College of Law has been working throughout the summer on preparing plans to offer a “hybrid” mixed format of courses offered live/in-person in Dineen Hall or remotely/only via Zoom. As guidance is sought on the ratio of permissible live and online credits an international student may take in order to maintain compliance with the ICE’s new guidance, we are encouraging every international student who plans to remain in the United States during the Fall 2020 semester to **enroll in at least one 3-credit (minimum) “live format” course** offered in Dineen Hall.

At this time, please review and compare your current course schedule with the [Fall 2020 Schedule of Classes](#) (the modality is indicated in the far right column) in order to determine whether you will need to adjust your course schedule according to the advice above.

Students who desire to make course adjustments may do so *now*, before the course add/drop period opens to all returning students next Monday, July 13, and should submit an add/drop request via the [Student Services Request Form](#) to the College of Law Registrar by **2:00 p.m. EDT Friday, July 10**, in order to ensure priority consideration for live/in-person course enrollment. Thereafter, students may make schedule changes by following the regular course add/drop procedures on MySlice during the College of Law’s course add/drop period from July 13 – 24.

The Fall 2020 Schedule of Classes contains a full list of courses offered. A sample of courses planned to be offered live/in-person includes:

- Constitutional Criminal Procedure – Adjudicative (16803) with Professor Todd Berger
- Constitutional Criminal Procedure – Investigative (16833) with Professor Gary Kelder
- Evidence (16764) with Professor Gary Kelder
- Lawsuit (22030) with Professors Todd Berger, Gary Pieples, and John St. Louis
- Legal Interviewing & Counseling (16825) with Professor Lauren Monforte
- Trial Practice (multiple sections) with Professors Patrick O’Sullivan and Donald J. Martin
- Wills and Trusts (16740) with Professor Terry Turnipseed
- Civil Procedure (multiple sections) with Professors Aliza Milner, Antonio Gidi, and Margaret Harding

- Contracts (16732) with Professor Mary Szto
- Torts (multiple sections) with Professors Antonio Gidi and Doron Dorfman
- LCR III (multiple sections) with Professors Shannon Gardner and Rick Risman

Any international student who desires to pursue their Fall 2020 semester studies from abroad, outside the US, may do so while enrolled full-time and attending courses in a fully remote/online setting. We encourage our international students who plan to study from outside the US to contact the Center for International Services at international@syr.edu or 315.443.2457 to discuss the implications of your plan on your current student visa and your eligibility for Optional Practical Training.

We are working creatively to respond to these developments as they occur in real time. Please know there may be other changes and updates as the matter continues to evolve. We will share with you what we learn as soon as we are able to do so.

Thank you for your understanding, flexibility, and quick action during this time.

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