The College of Law requires SJD students to spend their first academic year “Year 1” (fall and spring semesters) “in residence” at the College in Syracuse, New York. Students may then spend “Years 2-5” in Syracuse or away. Students must be enrolled full-time in at least 12 credits each semester.

### Breakdown of Expenses

- **Your tuition (line 1)** may be reduced by any merit scholarship you receive which is referenced in your admission letter.
- **Your fees (lines 2, 3, and 4)** are fixed by the University and College of Law and cannot be reduced.
- **Your mandatory health insurance (line 5)** will be charged to your Student Account by the University Bursar. This mandatory fee may be waived if a student has adequate health insurance coverage. Learn more online at [https://ese.syr.edu/bewell/insurance/](https://ese.syr.edu/bewell/insurance/).
- **Your personal expenses (lines 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10)** reflect anticipated costs for required textbooks, housing, meals, and other personal expenses and may vary from student to student. Note the increase in cost for the 3-semester accounts for increased living expenses.

### Other Policies and Information

All costs above are expected to be confirmed each May per University policy and may differ slightly from year to year. Tuition, fees, and policies are posted and updated annually on the Tuition and Fees Bulletin: [https://bfas.syr.edu/bursar/tuition-fees-and-related-policies-bulletin/](https://bfas.syr.edu/bursar/tuition-fees-and-related-policies-bulletin/)

Payment for tuition and fees is due during the first half of each semester you are enrolled. Failure to pay may result in late fees and/or a hold on your account preventing you from registering for courses. Expenses not allowed in the educational budget include costs of moving, payment of consumer debt, the purchase or upkeep of an automobile, costs associated with finding employment, and expenses incurred during periods of non-enrollment. Students bringing dependents should anticipate an additional cost of approximately $12,300 for the first dependent and approximately $7,000 per each additional dependent.

If you have questions about calculating your budget, managing costs during enrollment at the College of Law, or other questions related to financial aid, please contact our office at [lawfinaid@syr.edu](mailto:lawfinaid@syr.edu).