

# Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

## 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

### Summer Semester 2020

Monday, May 18	1L Orientation
Tuesday, May 19 - August 14	1L Summer Session
Monday, May 18 – Tuesday, August 18	Upper Level Summer Classes

### Fall Semester 2020

Wednesday, August 12 – Friday, August 21	LLM Orientation
Monday, August 17 – Friday, August 21	1L Orientation and Elements Classes
Friday, August 21	Last day for August-entry 1L students to drop fall classes with a full tuition refund
Monday, August 24	First day of 1L classes
Tuesday, August 25	First day of upper-level classes
Monday, August 31	Last day to add fall classes; Last day for LL.M. and continuing JD students to drop fall classes with a full tuition refund
Monday, September 7	Labor Day, <i>no classes, building closed</i>
	Last day to drop courses without a "W" being recorded on the student's transcript
Tuesday, September 8	<i>Monday Schedule</i>
Saturday, September 19 & Sunday, September 20	Rosh Hashanah, <i>building closed on Sunday, September 20</i>

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Monday, September 28	Yom Kippur, <i>no classes, building closed</i>
Tuesday, September 29	Last day of Elements classes
Wednesday, September 30	<i>Monday Schedule;</i> Last day to apply for a January 2021 degree
Sunday, October 4	Sukkot, <i>building closed</i>
Monday, October 5	Elements of Law exam for 1Ls; <i>no 1L classes</i>
Thursday, October 8	Contracts begins (1Ls only)
Saturday, October 10	Shemini Atzeret
Sunday, October 11	Simchat Torah, <i>building closed</i>
Wednesday, November 25	Last Day of Fall Classes
Thursday, November 26 - Friday, November 27	Thanksgiving Break; <i>building closed on Thanksgiving Day</i>
Monday, November 30	Reading Day (or makeup day if needed)
Tuesday, December 1 – Friday, December 11	Final Examinations

## Winter Session 2021

Friday, January 1

New Year's Day, no classes,  
*building closed*

Monday, January 4 – Friday, January 15

Winter Session Classes (Exact dates  
and offerings will be finalized in  
fall.)

## Spring Semester 2021

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King holiday, no  
classes, *building closed*

Tuesday, January 19

First day of spring classes

Monday, January 25

Last day to add Spring classes; Last  
day for all JD and LLM students to  
drop spring classes with a full tuition  
refund

Friday, January 29

Last day to apply for a May 2021  
degree

Monday, February 1

Last day to drop spring courses  
without a "W" being recorded on the  
student's transcript

Thursday, February 18 & Friday, February 19

Winter Break, no classes

Monday, March 29 – Friday, April 2

Spring break, no classes (building  
closed March 29th)

Tuesday, April 27

*Thursday schedule*

Wednesday, April 28

Last day of spring classes; *Friday  
schedule*

Thursday, April 29 & Friday, April 30

Make Up Days (if needed)

Monday, May 3 – Friday, May 14

Final Examinations

Monday, May 17 & Tuesday, May 18

Shavout, *building closed*

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Monday, May 31

Day and Time TBD

Memorial Day, *building closed*

Graduation at David Geffen Hall at  
Lincoln Center