

BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW
2024-2025 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
JD, LL.M, JSD PROGRAMS

Summer 2024 - 1L	
(May 20–August 12)	
Mon., May 20 – Fri., May 24	1L orientation and Elements of Law class
Mon., May 20 – Mon., August 12	1L summer session
Sun., May 26	Last day for May entry 1L students to drop summer classes with a full tuition refund
Mon., May 27	Memorial Day—University closed; no classes; building closed
Tues., June 11	Shavuot – Classes end at 4PM
Wed., June 12 – Thurs., June 13	Shavuot – University closed; no classes; building closed
Thurs., July 4	Independence Day – University closed; no classes; building closed
Summer 2024 – Upper Level	
(May 20-August 23)	
Mon., May 20 – Fri., August 23	Upper-level summer session
Sun., May 19	Last day to drop or waitlist for a summer course online with a full tuition refund. Students can submit an add/drop form to the Registrar’s Office to drop a summer class after this date. Students can add/drop summer courses without penalty until the day before each summer class begins.
Mon., May 20	Last morning to add summer classes online. After 12PM on the 20 th , students can submit an add/drop form to the Registrar’s Office to register for a course. Students will not be allowed to register for courses that have already begun.
Varying Dates	Last day to drop a summer course without a “W”. Students can drop without a “W” until the day before each summer class begins. After May 19 th , please submit an add/drop form to the Registrar’s Office.
Mon., May 27	Memorial Day – University closed; no classes; building closed
Tues., June 11	Shavuot – Classes end at 4PM
Wed., June 12 – Thurs., June 13	Shavuot – University closed; no classes; building closed

Thurs., July 4	Independence Day—University closed; no classes; building closed
Fall Semester 2024	
August 23 – December 20	
Wed., August 14 – Thurs., August 22 -	LLM Orientation
Wed., August 14 – Fri., August 16	1L Orientation
Mon., August 19	First day of 1L Elements of the Law
Fri., August 23	First day of 1L classes;
Mon., August 26	First day of upper-level classes
Thurs., August 29	Last day for August entry 1L students to withdraw from the program with full tuition refund
Sun., September 1	Last day for LL.M and continuing JD students to drop fall classes with a full tuition refund (for students withdrawing from the program or registered for less than full-time) Last day for LLM and continuing JD students to waitlist for fall classes
Mon. September 2	Labor Day – University closed; no classes; building closed Last day for LL.M and continuing JD students to register for fall classes
Sun., September 8	Last day to drop courses without a “W” being recorded on the student’s transcript
Tues., September 24	Last day of Elements of the Law for 1L students
Fri., September 27	Elements of the Law final exam for 1L students; no 1L classes
Mon., September 30	Last day to apply for a January 2025 degree (all programs) Last day for LLM January 2025 degree candidates to submit a concentration application
Wed., October 2	Friday Schedule - Eve of Rosh Hashanah
Thurs. October 3 – Fri., October 4	Rosh Hashanah – University closed; no classes; building closed
Tues., October 8	Contracts begins
Sat. October 12	Yom Kippur
Wed., October 16	Friday Schedule - Eve of Sukkot
Thurs., October 17 – Fri., October 18	Sukkot – University closed; no classes; building closed
Mon., October 21	Wednesday Schedule
Tues., October 22	Thursday schedule

Wed., October 23	Friday Schedule - Eve of Shmini Atzeret
Thurs., October 24 – Fri., October 25	Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah – University closed; no classes; building closed
Tues., November 26	Thursday schedule
Thurs., November 28-Fri., November 29	Thanksgiving break; no classes; building closed
Thurs., December 05	Last day of Fall classes
Fri., December 6	Reading day or makeup day (if needed)
Mon., December 9 – Thurs., December 19	Final examinations
Winter Session 2025	
(January 2-January 19)	
Wed., January 1	New Year’s Day – University closed; no classes; building closed
Thurs., January 2 – Sun., January 19	Winter session classes (exact dates and offerings will be finalized in the fall)
Thurs., January 2	Last day to drop a winter course with a full refund and without a “W”
Spring Semester 2025	
(January 21–May 16)	
Mon., January 20	Martin Luther King Jr. holiday – University closed; no classes; building closed
Tues, January 21	First day of Spring classes
Mon., January 27	Last day for LL.M and continuing JD students to drop Spring classes with a full tuition refund (for students withdrawing from the program or registered for less than full time)
	Last day for LLM and continuing JD students to waitlist for Spring classes
Tues., January 28	Last day to add a Spring class
Fri., January 31	Last day to apply for a May 2025 degree
Mon., February 3	Last day to drop Spring courses without a “W” being recorded on the student’s transcript
Thurs. February 20 – Fri., February 21	Winter Break – no classes; Building Open
Sun., April 13 – Sun., April 20	Spring Break/Passover – no classes; building closed on the 13-14 and 19-20
Tues., April 29	Thursday Schedule
Wed., April 30	Last day of Spring classes
	Friday Schedule
Thurs., May 1 – Fri., May 2	Reading days or makeup days (if needed)
Mon., May 5 – Thurs., May 15	Final examinations