

Tuition at New York Law School

Value is an important factor in deciding on a law school. In these uncertain economic times, it's important to be able to do the research on cost and plan financially for the long term. New York Law School addresses both of these important issues by offering you a guaranteed tuition plan. This approach means no surprises. Our students pay one price, and tuition doesn't go up for as long as they are enrolled.

So how does New York Law School's tuition compare to that of other private law schools in the area? Of 10 private metro New York City law schools, our tuition is lower than all but four. Most institutions of higher education increase tuition by 3 percent to 6 percent per year. With New York Law School's guaranteed tuition policy, students don't experience a tuition increase (each class having its own tuition rate). As a result, New York Law School students spend less for their degree than they would at other schools.

For example: our most recent graduates—students from the Class of 2011—entered in the fall of 2008 with a tuition rate of \$42,500. On first glance, that price may have seemed high to an entering student, compared to Cardozo, Fordham, and Brooklyn, which, in 2008, were \$42,200, \$42,076, and \$42,350 respectively.

But look closely—the following year, Cardozo's cost was \$45,170, Fordham was \$44,996, and Brooklyn Law was \$43,990. New York Law School was still \$42,500. During the last year—the final stretch when students need to be concerned about passing the bar (and paying for bar prep courses)—the figures at the other schools went up even higher. Cardozo was \$46,974, Fordham was \$46,476, and Brooklyn was \$46,635. New York Law School? Still only \$42,500. In total, students who began their J.D. program at New York Law School in fall 2008 paid \$127,500, while students who began their degree program at Cardozo, Fordham, and Brooklyn Law paid \$134,344, \$133,518, and \$132,975 respectively.

| Law School | Tuition Fall 2007 | Tuition Fall 2008 | Increase | Tuition Fall 2009 | Increase | Tuition Fall 2010 | Increase | Total Tuition for Students Beginning Fall 2007 | Total Tuition for Students Beginning Fall 2008 | Total Tuition for Students Beginning Fall 2009* |
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| Columbia University | \$43,500 | \$45,674 | 5% | \$48,099 | 5% | \$50,428 | 5% | \$137,273 | \$144,201 | \$150,468 |
| New York University | \$43,500 | \$44,855 | 3% | \$46,196 | 3% | \$48,213 | 4% | \$134,551 | \$139,264 | \$144,068 |
| Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law | \$39,500 | \$42,200 | 7% | \$45,170 | 7% | \$46,974 | 4% | \$126,870 | \$134,344 | \$140,527 |
| Fordham University | \$39,450 | \$42,076 | 7% | \$44,966 | 7% | \$46,476 | 3% | \$126,492 | \$133,518 | \$139,312 |
| Brooklyn Law School | \$39,600 | \$42,350 | 7% | \$43,990 | 4% | \$46,635 | 6% | \$125,940 | \$132,975 | \$138,659 |
| New York Law School | 1L: \$41,950 | 1L: \$42,500 2L: \$41,950 | 0% | 1L: \$43,500 2L: \$42,500 3L: \$41,950 | 0% | 1L: \$44,860 2L: \$43,500 3L: \$42,500 | 0% | \$125,850 | \$127,500 | \$130,500 |

* Assumes estimated 3 percent increase in tuition charges for fall 2011.

It's a lot of information to digest, and we're sure you probably have questions. Call or e-mail us about this or any questions you might have about financing your law school education:

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