

Agreements offer Alfred University students new pathways to Syracuse University graduate programs

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New agreements between Alfred University and Syracuse University aim to attract highly qualified Alfred students to graduate programs in three Syracuse University schools.

One agreement will allow students from Alfred University to complete a six-year combined Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctorate degree program through a partnership with Syracuse University College of Law.

Additionally, Alfred University students have the opportunity to enroll full-time in one of the master's degree programs offered through Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs or S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications.

"We are immensely pleased to be partnering with Syracuse and three crown-jewel graduate schools at their University," said Mark Zupan, Alfred University president. "This is a win-win-win for all involved, most notably for the students who will be following the pathways spelled out through these partnerships between our two universities."

In the 3+3 program with the Syracuse University College of Law, qualified students accepted to Alfred University would be conditionally accepted into the Syracuse College of Law. Students would attend Alfred University for their first three years and, if they qualify academically, would then enroll in the Syracuse College of Law for their final three years. Students who successfully complete the program will earn a bachelor's degree from Alfred University and a law degree from Syracuse University, saving one year's time and tuition compared to the more typical seven-year path to bachelor's and J.D. degrees.

Under the agreement with the Maxwell School, Alfred University students are encouraged to apply during their senior year for admission to any of the school's social science or professional master's programs in public administration and international affairs – including the school's top-ranked Master of Public Administration (MPA) program (U.S. News and World Report), creating a pathway for high achieving students to get a jump start on a graduate degree from the Maxwell School.

The agreement between Alfred University and the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications provides Alfred University students the opportunity to choose from a wide range of graduate study opportunities.

Newhouse offers graduate degree programs in Advertising; Arts Journalism; Audio Arts; Broadcast and Digital Journalism; Communications Management; Magazine, News and Digital Journalism; Media and Education; Media Studies; Multimedia, Photography and Design; New Media Management; Public Relations; and Television, Radio and Film. A joint degree in Public Relations/International Relations is also offered through with Maxwell School.

Admission to the Maxwell School and the Newhouse School is contingent upon students completing their undergraduate degrees at Alfred University and meeting standard admission criteria.

Creating pathways to Syracuse's College of Law, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, and S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications will serve to attract students to Alfred University as undergraduates.

"Alfred University's creation of 'destination' programs continues to enhance our entering student profile across all majors," said Brian Dalton, vice president of Enrollment Management at Alfred University. "The utility of these bachelor's/graduate programs are 21st Century responsive: great combinations, industry relevant and providing bright futures for the students taking advantage of them."