

## **Suffolk Student Health Insurance Plan (SSHIP) for 2008-2009:** **New, Current & International Students (non-Law)**

Massachusetts state law mandates that all students who are enrolled in 9 credits or more per semester must have health insurance. Students must be covered either through their own qualified insurance plan, their parent's insurance plan, or the [Suffolk Student Health Insurance Plan \(SSHIP\)](#). All international students are required to enroll in the SSHIP.

	<b>Annual(1)</b>	<b>Spring Semester(2)</b>
Student Only	\$1,490	\$913
Spouse Only	\$5,335	\$3,500
One Child	\$1,535	\$965
Two + Children	\$3,050	\$1,998

**(1) For NON-Law students enrolling in the Fall for the 2008-2009 academic year:**

Coverage will start August 21, 2008 and will end at the end of the day on August 20, 2009.

**(2) For NON-Law students starting in January 2009:**

Coverage will start January 1, 2009 and will end at the end of the day on August 20, 2009.

The SSHIP is designed to provide a cost-effective option for students in order to meet the minimum standards to comply with the law. It is important to understand **this is not designed to be a comprehensive health insurance plan** with benefits to cover routine preventive care. It is offered to help mitigate the potential for large health care costs of an unforeseen injury or illness. If you know you have a chronic medical condition or need ongoing or expensive care, you may best be served by purchasing an alternative plan.

**Every year ALL students must enroll or waive SSHIP by completing the following steps:**

1. Go to <http://www.universityhealthplans.com/>
2. Click on Suffolk University
3. Click on the Suffolk University Student Insurance Plan, this will bring you to the Suffolk page.
4. Click on Enrollment Form or Waiver Form
5. Fill in all required information (if a piece of required information is missing, your form will NOT be accepted).
6. Submit the form by clicking 'Apply'; if the form is accepted, you will receive immediate confirmation of your enrollment or waiver.
7. **Print out the confirmation page** as this will be the only documentation you will have as proof that you waived the insurance plan.

**Note:** Even though all students are automatically enrolled in the SSHIP. It is important that you enroll online, early. This will ensure that you will receive your insurance card promptly. If you wait to be automatically enrolled in October, you will not receive your insurance card until the end of the month. If you need to utilize Health Services before that time, you may have to pay out of pocket expenses if you have no insurance card to present.