

BLACK LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION (BLSA) ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP AWARD INFORMATION SHEET**Purpose**

The Black Law Student Association Scholarship Award has been established by the Black Law Student Association Alumni Committee to provide economic support to second- or third-year Hofstra Law students who exhibit:

1. A commitment to public service and the Hofstra Law School Chapter of the Black Law Student Association;
2. A financial need for resources with which to finance their legal education; and
3. Academic promise toward completing a Juris Doctor degree at Hofstra.

Awards

Award(s) will be made for one academic year.

Eligibility

All applicants must:

1. Be a legal resident of the United States and a student in good standing at Hofstra University School of Law;
2. Be a member of BLSA for at least one year (a letter from the BLSA President confirming your BLSA membership should be provided);
3. Demonstrate a commitment to public service;
4. Demonstrate financial need;
5. Possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75.

To apply for the scholarship, please submit:

1. A completed and signed BLSA Alumni Scholarship Award application;
2. A copy of your resume;
3. Letter(s) of recommendation are optional.
4. Submit a personal statement (please see application form for details).
5. A copy of your most recent law school transcript.

Deadline

All documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope to the Office of Financial Aid, no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, March 17, 2014.

Submissions will be reviewed by the BLSA Alumni Scholarship Committee which will include two members from the Hofstra Law School BLSA Alumni Association, a member of the Hofstra Law School faculty and a representative from the Law School administration. The committee will recommend the final candidate(s) to the Dean of the Law School, who maintains final authority regarding the final award recipient(s).

BLACK LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION (BLSA) ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Personal Information

Name: _____ Juris Doctor anticipated: ____/____/____

Local Address: _____

Mailing Address: (if different) _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Current Employer: _____ Position: _____

Anticipated Employer for Fall 2014: _____ Position: _____

Please indicate any financial awards or scholarships you have or anticipate receiving while attending Hofstra University School of Law: (name source and amount) _____

Current Educational Indebtedness

Total Undergraduate Debt: _____ Total Graduate Debt: _____

Combined Total Debt: _____

Subsidized Stafford: _____ Private: _____

Unsubsidized Stafford: _____ Perkins: _____

GradPLUS: _____ Other (specify): _____

Current Household Income 2013 \$ _____ # in Household _____ # of Dependents _____

List the person(s) in your household who are enrolled in a school requiring payment of tuition and fees.

Name of Student Enrolled	Relation to Self	Year of Study	Cost of Annual Tuition and Fees
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Personal Statement

Please enclose with this application a personal statement (no more than two double-spaced typed pages) in which you describe how you have demonstrated your commitment to public service prior to attending law school, what you are presently involved in that continues to show this commitment, what your level of participation is with the Hofstra Chapter of the Black Law Students Association, and how you intend to continue your public service after obtaining your law degree. You may include anything else that you believe is relevant to your application and that can aid the committee in determining your qualifications.

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Educational Background

High School Graduation or GED Date: _____

College/University: _____

Major: _____ Degree: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Post-Graduate studies: _____ Major: _____

Degree or Certificate: _____ Date: _____

List any awards, honors, scholarships or special recognitions, and the year it was earned (NOT from Hofstra Law School):

List any honors, academic achievements or scholarships received while attending Hofstra School of Law:

Law School G.P.A. _____ ***An unofficial transcript is acceptable.

List any extracurricular activities and affiliations:

Note: If you need additional space for any of the requested information, please attach an extra sheet.

Certification:

All the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that all applications are confidential and will only be used for evaluating eligibility. I hereby give the BLSA Alumni Scholarship Committee permission to request verification of provided information from any source necessary to determine my eligibility. I also acknowledge that it is my responsibility to submit a complete package to BLSA Alumni Scholarship Committee and comply with all deadlines, and that a failure to do so may result in ineligibility.

In addition, I understand that should I receive an award, there is no guarantee of renewal. I must reapply and be re-evaluated for an award each year. I also hereby give the BLSA Alumni Scholarship Committee permission, if I am chosen as a scholarship recipient to use my name and/or likeness for promotional purposes.

I understand and agree that any scholarship I may receive is non-transferable and may only be used to cover the cost of tuition and fees connected with attending Hofstra Law School. If for any reason, I withdraw from Hofstra Law School or am otherwise no longer matriculated at Hofstra Law School, I shall return any unused scholarship funds and shall have no claim to any undisbursed funds.

I hereby certify that I have read the application information and filled out the requested information as instructed and I understand and accept all conditions specified. I understand that falsification of information may result in automatic disqualification from this application process and eligibility in successive years, and/or in termination of any scholarship granted. All application materials become the property of BLSA Alumni Scholarship Committee.

Signature

Date

