Hofstra Law’s mission is to prepare, challenge and inspire students to make an impact in the world.

Application Requirements

1. A Completed Application
   To be considered for the Dwight L. Greene Memorial Scholarship, you must first be admitted to Hofstra Law. After you have been admitted, you will be able to access the application and further instructions online at law.hofstra.edu/AdmittedStudents.

2. A Resume

3. A Personal Statement
   Professor Greene brought great insight, commitment and dedication to the pursuit of social justice for minority groups. In no more than three pages, please discuss how your past activities have promoted the interests of justice and equality for minority groups, and how you expect your career as an attorney to advance these goals further.

4. Two Letters of Recommendation
   Include two letters from persons who can speak to your experience with advocacy on behalf of minority groups.

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“When Dwight L. Greene was ripped from our midst in 1993, Hofstra Law suffered the profound loss of a splendid teacher, a graceful writer and a scholar who was approaching the zenith of the application of his intellectual powers. This scholarship is for students who embody his sense of justice and advocate for equality for racial minorities, who continue to endure indignities to this day.” — John DeWitt Gregory, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Law
About Dwight L. Greene

Dwight L. Greene earned a Bachelor of Arts from Wesleyan University and was a graduate of Harvard Law School. He clerked for Chief Judge Charles D. Breitel of the New York State Court of Appeals, was associated with the law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell and served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York. He joined the Hofstra Law faculty in 1984.

Professor Greene's scholarly work displayed an extraordinary breadth and range of interests. He not only wrote enthusiastically about banking law but also was committed to critical race scholarship. Through his important work, Professor Greene sought clearer identification of racial, gender and class problems, and he proposed solutions. Professor Greene was an inspiration to hundreds of students fortunate enough to have learned from him during his all-too-brief career.

Selection Process

The scholarship is open to persons of all races, ethnicities, religions, nationalities, ages and genders. The scholarship recipient is selected on the basis of:
• demonstrated academic excellence;
• proven leadership ability and community service; and
• experience with advocacy on behalf of minority groups before law school, including political activity, aid to minority social support networks, participation in events that promote the visibility of minorities, and other forms of charitable or philanthropic activity.

Consideration is given to the applicant’s plans to advocate on behalf of minority communities. To be considered, applicants must first be admitted to Hofstra Law and then submit all required materials for the scholarship by the deadline indicated online at law.hofstra.edu/AdmittedStudents. Finalists are selected by a faculty committee, which may request an on-campus interview with candidates.

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To have been named a Dwight L. Greene Scholar was a humbling honor which had an immense impact on my ability to fulfill my aspirations for my legal education. I am grateful to have been associated with a leader whose values and life’s work speak to and align so well with my personal and professional beliefs and goals. I intend to do all I can with my legal skills to further his efforts to improve opportunities available to underrepresented communities.”

— Chanya Sainvilus '17

HOFSTRA LAW PROFESSOR DWIGHT L. GREENE WAS A BRILLIANT SCHOLAR, a talented teacher and a beloved colleague. In 1995, shortly after his sudden and premature death, Hofstra Law, the law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell, and Professor Greene's family, friends and colleagues endowed a scholarship in his honor.

The Dwight L. Greene Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to one student who has demonstrated a commitment to advocacy on behalf of minority groups.

Scholarship Key Facts

Hofstra Law selects one student each year from the admitted entering class to receive the Dwight L. Greene Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to someone who has demonstrated a commitment to advocacy on behalf of minority groups.

SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship covers full tuition and fees for three years of law school as long as good academic standing is maintained. This scholarship cannot be combined with a Hofstra Law merit scholarship. However, admitted students will receive the higher amount of the two scholarship funds.

SUMMER STIPEND

The scholarship also includes an annual stipend of $5,000 to offset living expenses while working during the summer for a nonprofit or government agency dedicated to advocacy on behalf of underrepresented minority groups.

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