

Policies of the University of North Texas at Dallas	Chapter 7.000
7.017 Scholarship Criteria – College of Law	Student Affairs, Education, and Funding

Policy Statement. Recognizing the importance of scholarships and student support to the mission of the College of Law, this policy describes criteria for scholarships at the College of Law.

Application of Policy. Applicants to the College of Law and current students enrolled at the College of Law.

Definitions.

1. **Conditional Scholarship.** “Conditional Scholarship” means any financial aid award, the retention of which is dependent upon the student maintaining a minimum grade point average or class standing, other than that ordinarily required to remain in good academic standing.

Procedures and Responsibilities.

Scholarships for Entering Students.

1. Beginning with applicants to the Fall 2016 semester of the College of Law, all applicants to the College of Law—whether for full-time or part-time status—will be considered for scholarships at the time they are admitted to the program. A separate application is not required but individuals must submit a completed Texas Application of State Financial Aid (“TAFSA”) form.
2. This is a one-time award for the spring and fall semesters of a student’s first year of enrollment. No awards are made for summer enrollment.
3. The scholarships are designed to assist students with financial need.
4. The Scholarship Committee will consider admitted students for these scholarships. The following criteria will be considered:
 - a. An applicant’s academic record, including previous undergraduate and graduate institutions;
 - b. The socioeconomic background of the applicant while the applicant was an undergraduate student, including any change in that background;
 - c. Whether an applicant would be the first generation of the applicant’s family to attend or graduate from a law school; and
 - d. The applicant’s involvement in community activities and public service.

Scholarships for Current Students at the College of Law Admitted Prior to Fall 2016.

Current students of the College of Law may apply for scholarships to be disbursed in the Spring 2016 semester no earlier than Monday December 7, 2015. Student(s) will be notified of the award(s) in writing no later than Monday December 21, 2015. Applications will be reviewed and recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Committee based on the following criteria:

1. An applicant's academic record, including previous undergraduate and graduate institutions and record at the College of Law;
2. The socioeconomic background of the applicant while the applicant was an undergraduate student, including any change in that background;
3. Whether an applicant would be the first generation of the applicant's family to attend or graduate from a law school; and
4. The applicant's involvement in community activities and public service.

Continuing Student Scholarships.

Scholarships may be awarded to continuing students who meet the following criteria: (1) who are full time and have earned 30 credit hours, and who are part time and have earned 23 hours; (2) who have maintained at least a 2.0 grade point average each semester and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0; and (3) who have demonstrated a commitment to public service by completing a minimum of 30 hours of community service within the preceding 24 months. A student's financial need will also be considered and determined based upon the student's completed TAFSA.

Other Scholarships.

Applications for other scholarships may be available through the College of Law. These include application for the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association Scholarship, which has an application process and deadline in Spring semesters, including Spring 2015. The criteria for such scholarships are established by the entity or person providing such scholarship.

No Conditional Scholarships.

In accordance with ABA Standard 509(b)(3) disclosure requirements, UNT Dallas College of Law does not offer conditional scholarships.

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