The Arnold & Porter 1L Diversity & Inclusion Scholarship (Scholarship) will be awarded to first-year law students whose values and experiences align with the firm’s commitment to advancing diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. Each $10,000 scholarship is paid directly to the scholarship recipients' law schools to defray the tuition costs for their second academic year.

Criteria

- Candidates must be first-year law students in good standing pursuing a Juris Doctor degree at an ABA-accredited law school.
- Candidates must have a strong academic record and experience demonstrating great promise for a successful career in the legal profession.
- Candidates must demonstrate how they meaningfully contribute to advancing diversity and inclusion in their law school or in their community and commit to continued contributions upon entering the legal profession.
- The scholarship is open to all eligible applicants regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy and childbirth (including breastfeeding and related medical conditions), age, marital or partnership status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, transgender, physical or mental disability, medical condition, family leave status, citizenship status, immigration status, ancestry, genetic information, military or veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by laws, rules or regulations.
- While the firm may also consider a student’s need for financial assistance, such need is not required to be eligible to apply for the scholarship.

Procedure

- Candidates must submit a current resume, an official law school transcript, and a personal statement that goes beyond their resume and describes their unique personal history.
- Candidates may also submit a separate optional statement (limited to 500 words) demonstrating a financial need for the scholarship.

Timeline

- The firm will accept applications for the 2024 Arnold & Porter Diversity and Inclusion Scholarship from February 5 through March 11, 2024.
- To apply, please click here.