



2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for a DSF scholarship, please **read the instructions carefully** and submit the following materials:

- Resume
- Transcript including at least two semesters of coursework
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals not related to you
- An essay of **no more** than 500 words (not to exceed two pages double spaced) explaining your commitment to advocating for diversity in the legal profession or your experience as a diverse student.
- You may use an additional page to discuss any additional information (financial or otherwise) that you feel is relevant to your application in an essay of **no more** than 250 words (not to exceed 1 page double spaced).

2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- All applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2017
- All applicants must submit their application as one PDF document by email to dsfchicago@gmail.com. The document **must** be saved in the following format:
[Applicant Last Name]_[Applicant First Name].pdf
- Applicants may be required to submit to an interview. If your application is selected for an interview, you will be informed via email.
- Individuals who have previously received a scholarship from DSF may not be eligible
- For questions please contact dsfchicago@gmail.com
- Individuals who receive scholarships **must** attend the 2017 Unity Award Dinner on **Wednesday, November 29, 2017, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** *Failure to be present during the award presentation and through the end of the program will result in **forfeiture** of the scholarship.*



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Name: _____

Current Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Law School: _____

Law School Address: _____

Expected Graduation Year: _____

Are you the first person in your family to attend law school in the U.S.? Yes ___ No ___

Which scholarship(s) are you applying for? ___ Diversity Scholarship
 ___ Public Interest Advocate Scholarship
 ___ LSAT Scholarship
 ___ Disabled Law Student Scholarship
 ___ Bar Exam Preparation Scholarship

Would you like to be considered for a judicial externship¹? ___ Yes

I *can* attend the 2017 Unity Award Dinner on *Wednesday, November 29, 2017* throughout the entire program. Yes ___ No ___

¹ Externship qualifications are ultimately determined by the Judge or Court to where the extern is assigned. In addition to other varying restrictions, employment with any other employer at the time of the proposed externship disqualifies a candidate. Interested candidates that are preliminarily deemed qualified by the DSF will be contacted about extern opportunities that he or she must then pursue with the Judge or Court with an open position.



2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned applicant, understand that if I am awarded the Diversity Scholarship Foundation (DSF) Scholarship, I must be enrolled in good standing at least half-time in an ABA accredited law school at the time of the award and have completed two semesters. By accepting the award, I also agree to have my photograph taken and published, along with my identity, in any and all DSF promotional, marketing or press release materials. Further, I agree that I will be present at and during the presentation of the scholarship at the Unity Dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Failure to be present during the award presentation and through the end of the program will result in forfeiture of the scholarship. I understand that I must comply with all stated policies and conditions of the Scholarship, and that the funds awarded are to be used only for tuition, course-related expenses, or reasonable living expenses while enrolled in law school.

I understand that my failure to comply with all DSF policies and conditions of the Scholarship may result in the forfeiture of the entirety or a portion of the Scholarship award. In such event, I will return the entirety or required portion of the Scholarship monies to DSF promptly upon written demand. Failure to return these monies may result in collection efforts and legal action against me. To the extent allowable by law, the recipient will be responsible for all costs, fees, and expenses incurred by the DSF in seeking recovery of the award monies.

I understand that the officers and directors of the DSF², members of the Scholarship Selection Committee, and their immediate families are ineligible for the Scholarships. I also understand that all materials submitted to the DSF will become the property of the DSF and that the DSF reserves the right to issue public announcements regarding the Scholarship award recipients.

I certify that all statements and information contained herein and in all application materials submitted by me are true, correct, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I certify that the essay attached hereto was prepared and written solely by me and is my original work.

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

² See www.diversitychicago.org