

2025-2026 Scholarship Process Overview





Who can apply?

Everyone!

Apply if you came in with a scholarship

Apply if didn't

Apply if you don't think you'll qualify

Apply if you think you will qualify

JUST APPLY!





What is available?

Scholarships without Service – criteria varies – merit, financial need, legal interests, demographics, year in law school, etc.

Service Scholarships – require service hours with faculty (RA) or administration (GA)

Dean's Fellows – require work with ASP or Writing Fellows





Scholarships without Service

Dozens of opportunities with varying amounts

Applications vary widely:

Personal statement, specific essay/statement, resume

Pay close attention to application requirements

Examples:

Memphis Law Advantage Scholarship: (formerly Memphis Access and Diversity Law Scholarship) **In-State resident and diverse**

• 250-word essay on how you contribute to diversity, list class rank and student organizations

Kathryn Hookanson Law Scholarship:

Financial Need

Personal statement and resume

Apply between February 1, 2025 – April 1, 2025





Scholarships with Service

Herbert Herff Presidential Law Scholarship

- Award amount varies
- Re-apply
- Assigned to faculty or administration
- May have summer hours

Faculty Emeritus Law Scholarship

- Award amount varies
- Re-apply
- Assigned to faculty or administration
- May have summer hours

Cecil C. Humphreys Law Fellowship Scholarship

- \$5,000 scholarship
- Only assigned to faculty member
- No outside employment
- May have summer hours

260 = service hours required Placement notification early April

Apply between February 1, 2025 – February 16, 2025





Dean's Fellows

Academic Success Program (ASP) work with Dean Aden to assist entering law students with first-year courses. Finalists will be interviewed by Dean Aden, other Academic Success Program Faculty, and current ASP Dean's Fellows. Interested students should direct inquiries to Dean Aden at maden@memphis.edu.

Dean's Writing Fellows work with Dr. Marilyn Dunham Smith, Director of the Writing Center, and Professor Carrie Kerley, 2025-2026 Coordinator of Legal Methods, to assist first-year law students with writing assignments for Legal Methods. Finalists will be interviewed by Dr. Marilyn Dunham Smith, Professor Kerley, and current Writing Fellows. Interested students should contact Dr. Marilyn Dunham Smith at mdsmith2@memphis.edu.

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How, Where and When to Apply

Tiger Scholarship Manager TSM

Law Student Service Scholarship Application

	TSM - General Application	TSM - Law Scholarship Application	Law Student Service Scholarship Application	Dean's Fellow*
Scholarships without Service 2/1/2025 - 4/1/2025	X	X		
Scholarships with Service 2/1/2025 - 2/16/2025	X		X	
ASP and Dean's Writing Fellows 2/1/2025 - 2/16/2025	X		X	X

*On Daily Grounds





In the meantime...

Write a personal statement!

Please provide a personal statement as to why you are applying for this scholarship. Include any pertinent information about financial need, your family situation, and any other special information we should consider. Additionally, provide a list of all applicable extracurricular activities you feel should be considered. Ensure you include involvement with on and off campus organizations which have helped your personal and professional growth.

Update your resume!

Save it as Last Name, First Name





Contact Us!

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Join us! February 4, 2025, at noon!

Room 226 - review of scholarship application process.

