

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Name of Non-Endowed Fund

McDougall Family Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

The McDougall Family Scholarship Fund was generously created by the family of Anne and Barry McDougall. It continues a meaningful 20 year-long relationship between the McDougall family and the University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, which started with the Edward Barry McDougall Memorial Scholarship, established in 2001 to honour the storied law career of its namesake and his interest in cultural exchange and community building.

Following the recent passing of Anne McDougall, the family has reimagined the scholarship to honour and recognize Anne's strong belief that education was an opportunity to benefit from.

The McDougall Family Scholarship recognizes the importance of providing educational opportunities to those in dire financial need as well as the importance of diversity in building a strong community.

PURPOSE OF FUND

To support undergraduate students with work references enrolled in the JD program at the Faculty of Law, Common Law Section, who enhance the section's diversity and demonstrate financial need.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility criteria

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident, or a person with protected or refugee status.
- Be admitted as a full-time student in the JD program at the Faculty of Law, Common Law Section, of the University of Ottawa.
- Demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa.
- Be a racialized person (a member of a visible minority) and defined as a person other than Indigenous (Aboriginal), who is non-white in colour or race, regardless of place of birth or citizenship.

OR

Provide documented proof of Indigenous identity, in accordance with the requirements of the University of Ottawa Eligibility for Focused Admissions, Scholarships, and Bursaries for First Nations, Inuit, and Métis People administrative procedure.

OR

Be involved in gender and sexually diverse communities.

- Have work experience.

Award value: \$10,000

Number of awards: 4

Award frequency: Annual

Level or program of study: Undergraduate

Application contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service

Application deadline: May 1

Renewable: Yes, on reapplication, if the recipient still meets the eligibility criteria. The value of the renewed award is \$7,000 in year 2 and \$3,000 in year 3.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through uoZone. They should include the following:

- the Financial Questionnaire.
- a statement of self-identification (for applicants who identify as a member of a racialized community as per the [Ontario Human Rights Commission policy and guidelines on racism and racial discrimination section 2.1](#) (“Race’ — A social construct”) (if applicable)
- documented proof of Indigenous identity, in accordance with the requirements of the University of Ottawa Eligibility for Focused Admissions, Scholarships and Bursaries for First Nations, Inuit and Métis People administrative procedure. (if applicable)
- a letter (max. 500 words) describing the applicant's involvement in gender and sexually diverse communities (if applicable)
- a letter (max. 500 words) summarizing the applicant's own current or ongoing financial hardships that may prevent the pursuit of legal studies, the applicant's employment history and the impact the applicant feels this scholarship might have on the law school experience
- a reference letter from a current or past employer