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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 Edward Barry McDougall 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:
1. be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident, or a person with protected or refugee status;
2. be admitted as a full-time student in the JD program at the Faculty of Law, Common Law Section, of the University of Ottawa;
3. demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa;
4. 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 as a member of the LGBTQ2S+community; and
5. have work experience.
Value of the award: $10,000
Number of awards: Minimum of 4
Frequency of the award: 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 renewable 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 the uoZone portal. They should include:
1. the Financial Questionnaire;
2. self-identification from the applicant who identifies as a member of a racialized community as per the Ontario Human Rights Commission policy and guidelines on racism and racial discrimination section
   OR
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
   a statement describing the applicant’s own involvement in the LGBTQ2S+ community;
3. 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;
4. a reference letter from a current or past employer.