



Selection Guidelines for WLALA'S 2020 Law School Tuition Scholarships

The Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles (WLALA) Foundation is pleased once again to offer tuition scholarships to law students who have demonstrated a commitment to issues affecting women and/or children. WLALA is an active bar association that seeks to promote the interests of women, and to promote equality and equal opportunity of all people. The WLALA Foundation's special projects include the Harriet Buhai Center for Family Law, which assists low income individuals in preparing and handling pro per family law matters; the Downtown Women's Center, which is the only organization in Los Angeles exclusively dedicated to addressing the needs of women overcoming poverty and homelessness in Skid Row; and the Fran Kandel Public Interest Grant, which provides financial assistance for special projects undertaken by law students working in the public interest. WLALA's numerous committees include a group that provides pro bono legal advice to victims of domestic violence.

As it did last year, the WLALA Foundation will award one-time tuition scholarships of a minimum of \$5,000 for the 2020-2021 academic year to law students whose prior and current activities, and future plans demonstrate a commitment to issues affecting women and/or children. Women and men are eligible to apply. The scholarships will be announced publicly at the WLALA Installation Dinner in the fall of 2020, which recipients are required to attend. To be eligible, students must meet the following requirements:

- Be currently enrolled in a law school that is accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State of California and that is located in Los Angeles County, and plan to be so enrolled in the 2020-2021 academic year;
- Upon graduation from law school, plan to practice law in Southern California; and
- Be in the top fifty percent of their class.

To apply, please submit the following materials:

- Personal statement addressing your commitment to issues affecting women and/or children. Be sure to address how your commitment will continue after law school graduation. The personal statement should also explain why you need the scholarship and how it will benefit you. The personal statement must be typed, double-spaced, and no longer than 2 pages;
- Resume;
- Law school transcript, including grades for fall semester 2019; and
- Minimum one letter of recommendation (no more than three).

Applications must be emailed to: info@wlala.org (please include "Scholarship Application" on the email subject line) or mailed to the Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles, Attn: Scholarship Applications, 634 South Spring Street, Suite 617, Los Angeles, CA 90014. **All applications must be postmarked no later than May 1, 2020 and must be emailed electronically to info@wlala.org.**

Questions about the WLALA Foundation's 2020-2021 Tuition Scholarships should be directed to any of the Co-Chairs of WLALA's Scholarship Committee:

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