

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GEORGETOWN LAW



The Opportunity
Scholarship Program
helps those who need
it the most.

The program enables extraordinary students with significant financial need to attend Georgetown Law.

Our generous donors make it possible for us to offer one of the most enriching and prestigious legal educations in the world to students with outstanding academic, professional, and personal achievements, but little in the way of financial support.

Our mission: to provide a world class education to students with great potential but limited means.



"I am the first person in my family to go to college, let alone graduate school...The scholarship has thus allowed me to provide

a financial safety net for my family and secure a healthy financial future for myself."

Sheila McCorkle, L'11 Associate, Akin Gump, Washington, D.C.



"I would not have been able to attend Georgetown Law without a scholarship. And every step of my career was possible

because of the relationships I formed and the experiences I gained at Georgetown. I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to receive the education I did and to be where I am now!"

Kathleen Shay, L'12 Legal Counsel, Business & Human Rights, Yahoo, Washington, D.C.

By awarding Opportunity Scholarships to the most highly qualified students who also have the highest financial need, we increase the caliber and the diversity of the Georgetown Law community and the legal profession at large.

As compared to the overall population of admitted students, the program comprises a disproportionate number of underrepresented minorities and first-generation college students.

Our Opportunity
Scholars are some of
our most successful
students, and have
gone on to become
accomplished alumni in
their respective fields
of practice.

30% of Opportunity Scholars are first-generation college students.



"I was raised by a hard-working entrepreneur father and his progressive illness caused hard times for us before

I entered college. Things were even tougher before law school; however, this scholarship was the blessing that removed the question mark from my law school future. Being an Opportunity Scholar allowed me to confidently gain the experience, training, relationships, and mentors that led to my work at a large law firm, my private practice, and appointment to the bench at age thirty."

John Peter Howard III, L'10

Administrative Law Judge, Government of the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C.

Law is but the means, justice is the end.

Georgetown Law's commitment to others is born of our Jesuit heritage and engrained in the fabric of our school. Will you help us change the lives of talented and deserving students like those featured here? Please consider donating to this important program.

- A legacy gift of \$250,000 to \$1 million now or through your estate creates a
 permanent, endowed fund, whose name you may choose, that supports students
 annually and in perpetuity. As an example, an endowment of \$1 million would
 support up to five Opportunity Scholars per year. A \$250,000 endowment would
 support one student per year.
- A gift of \$30,000 provides an Opportunity Scholarship to one student for three years to help ensure they can attend Georgetown Law.
- Contributions of any amount in honor of Dean of Admissions Andrew
 Cornblatt may be made to the Dean's Endowed Opportunity Scholarship Fund.
 Scholarships from this fund will be awarded to top candidates who have been personally selected by Dean Cornblatt.



"The scholarship program allowed me to attend the best public interest school in the country in the best city to develop my skills through internships and externships. Additionally, as an alumnus, the loan repayment assistance program allowed me to provide legal aid to indigenous peoples in the

poorest, most remote region of the country without the added anxiety that would come from worrying about my student loans."

Kate Wright, L'13

Estate Services Staff Attorney, Alaska Legal Services Corp, Dillingham, Alaska

We are proud that we can offer Opportunity Scholarships to students with great ambitions and a desire to use their legal careers to give back to the community at large.



"When Dean Cornblatt told me how the scholarship program connected to Georgetown's mission to attract and develop diverse talent committed to solving some of the world's most difficult problems, I felt like it was a place for a student like me. Since graduating I have

maintained my commitment to social justice and civil rights; I am currently working to eradicate discrimination, harassment, and sexual violence at a large state university and writing, speaking and teaching on issues of race, gender, class and sexuality."

Jordyne Blaise, L'10

Deputy Title IX Coordinator, Assistant Equal Opportunity Officer, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina



"Upon graduating from Georgetown, I went to work for Boies Schiller in its Fort Lauderdale office, working on some of the biggest, most complex cases being litigated today... In April 2012, I left Boies to start my own practice. I've had my own practice for the past three-and-a-half

years and it gets better every month. Over the past several years, I have been incredibly active with Florida public schools and various charities that serve at-risk children and foster children...In short, Georgetown helped me live my dream and part of my dream is helping others, especially kids in need."

Jonathan Pollard, L'09

Principal, Pollard PLLC, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Our mission: To attract academically outstanding students with significant financial need to Georgetown Law.

Our vision: A world-class education available to the best and the brightest students, regardless of their backgrounds; a vibrant and diverse law school community; a seat at the table for those who are typically underrepresented in the legal profession.



"For those deeply committed to public service—who want to **go out and change the world** and advocate for justice, Georgetown Law perfectly aligns with such goals and values. My ultimate goal is to initiate and advocate for policy changes that will benefit and aid in the closing of the inequality

gap in education. The idea that no child will enter a classroom underprivileged and under grade level is a fight I will fight my entire life as education is the foundation of our future."

Jenadee Nanini, L'17
Current Student and Public Interest Fellow, Washington, D.C.

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