

**2020–2021  
MITCHELL HAMLINE SCHOOL OF LAW  
GATEWAY LSAT PREPARATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Completed application must be postmarked or submitted by January 31st, 2021 to: Mitchell Hamline School of Law,  
Office of Admissions, 875 Summit Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55105 or [admissions@mitchellhamline.edu](mailto:admissions@mitchellhamline.edu)

This scholarship program is intended to promote diversity in the legal profession in Minnesota by assisting prospective law students from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds, who have a financial need, prepare to take the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). Mitchell Hamline will award selected recipients on a rolling basis until funds are exhausted. Priority will be given to applicants from underrepresented backgrounds (e.g., citizenship in or tribal affiliation with a federally recognized Indian tribe, students of color, first generation, LGBTQ+, economically disadvantaged, and/or active military or veteran) with a demonstrated financial need.

The scholarship will cover the cost to participate in an online self-paced LSAT Preparation Course offered by Kaplan Test Prep including the required textbook and course materials. A professor from the Academic Excellence Office will serve as a mentor to help plan your studies for the LSAT.

**Criteria**

1. Minnesota resident **or** currently enrolled as a senior in a college or university in Minnesota **or** enrolled in the MHSL Gateway Program during the 2020–2021 academic year.
2. Undergraduate GPA of 2.50 or higher.
3. Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) account. (**Note: Scholarship recipients must register to take the LSAT by June 2021 or earlier.**)

**Personal Information**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Undergraduate Institution (including city, state): \_\_\_\_\_ LSAC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major/Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Graduation (month/year): \_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**Character & Fitness**

The character and fitness questions will be on the admissions application.

Provide a complete explanation for each question to which you answer “yes.”

1. Has your education or employment been interrupted for six or more months?  No  Yes
2. Have you ever been placed on probation, suspended, or dismissed from any educational institution?  No  Yes
3. Have you ever in your life been charged with the violation of any law, including traffic laws? (Exclude paid parking tickets.) You must disclose this requested information even if the charges were dismissed, you were acquitted, the conviction was stayed or vacated, the record was sealed or expunged, or you were a juvenile.  No  Yes
4. Has your driver's license ever been cancelled, suspended, or revoked for any reason?  No  Yes
5. Is there anything in your history that might raise a question as to your moral character or fitness to practice law?  
 No  Yes

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**Submit the following materials:**

- **Personal Statement:** Attach a statement and indicate how you meet the criteria for this scholarship, why you are interested in attending law school, and why receiving this scholarship would help in accomplishing your goals (not to exceed two type - written double-spaced pages).
- **Undergraduate Transcript:** Attach a current unofficial transcript from your undergraduate institution.
- **LSAC Account Registration:** Provide your LSAC number on page 1.
- **Financial Need Statement:** Attach a statement demonstrating your financial need for this scholarship.

Mitchell Hamline School of Law application for admission is open October 1, 2020 to July 15, 2021 for Fall 2021 consideration.

**Example of the admissions timeline:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
<i>Submit application and other required materials to LSAC (no application fee for MHSL)</i>	October
<i>LSAT Preparation Scholarship awarded (any time up to January 31, 2021)</i>	October
<i>Six to eight weeks preparation for the LSAT and register for the LSAT by registration deadline</i>	Mid- to Late November
<i>Sit for the LSAT (latest LSAT June 2021)</i>	November 25
<i>LSAT results received</i>	Late December
<i>Application for Admission reviewed</i>	Late December
<i>Admissions decision made four to six weeks after submission of a complete application</i>	Early to Mid-February

**Certification:**

I certify that the information submitted in this application and any attached materials are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree to notify MHSL of any changes in the information included in this application that might affect my eligibility for a scholarship. If selected to receive a scholarship, I agree to submit my application and required materials through LSAC.org for admission consideration to Mitchell Hamline School of Law. Materials submitted with this scholarship application DO NOT meet the requirements for the admissions application but may be referenced. I agree that my name, likeness, and selected information contained in my application may be used for promotional purposes by MHSL without further compensation or notification.

**Applicant Signature:**

**Date:**

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**CHECKLIST**

**APPLICATION**

1. Complete application, answering all questions. Sign and date application.
2. Download and print application.
3. Attach the following supporting materials to your application:
  - a. Personal statement
  - b. Current unofficial undergraduate transcript
  - c. Proof of LSAC Account registration
  - d. Statement demonstrating financial need
  - e. Character and fitness explanation(s) (if needed)
4. Send application and attachments to:

Mitchell Hamline School of Law, Admissions  
875 Summit Avenue  
Saint Paul, MN 55105

Or submit electronically to: [admissions@mitchellhamline.edu](mailto:admissions@mitchellhamline.edu).

**RECIPIENT CHECKLIST**

1. LSAT preparation course tuition payment made on behalf of the scholarship recipient directly to Kaplan Test Prep upon confirmation of the recipient's registration with Kaplan.
2. Scholarship recipients must submit application materials through LSAC.org by July 15, 2021 to be considered for MHSL for Fall 2021 admission.

**ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MITCHELL HAMLINE SCHOOL OF  
LAW, OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS AT THE ABOVE MAILING OR EMAIL ADDRESS BY  
January 31st, 2021.**