

Goodwin HBCU Scholarship Program

It's not enough to say we want a diverse legal profession – we have to meaningfully invest in it. At Goodwin, years of practicing law have taught us that our investment is best placed in those who bring new perspectives and help create a more inclusive environment. We know that the recruitment and retention of talent from all backgrounds is foundational to shaping a more diverse and equitable legal industry, and we're proud to offer resources for students from HBCUs to showcase new perspectives to our lawyers and clients alike.

Scholarship Program Details

Goodwin is proud to offer our Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Scholarship Program. Goodwin will provide \$15,000 scholarships to recent graduates or graduating seniors who are currently attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and will be starting law school in fall 2024.

Awardees will have the opportunity to interact with Goodwin lawyers and learn more about our organizations and various legal practices. Each awardee will also be exposed to mentorship from our lawyers in group and individual settings during their 1L year. Upon completion of their 1L year at law school, scholarship recipients will be considered for positions in Goodwin's 1L Diversity Fellowship program.



As a Morehouse College graduate, I am proud that Goodwin offers this scholarship. The firm's focus on HBCU graduates recognizes the role that HBCUs play in feeding the pipeline of talented students into law schools. This scholarship is an effort to serve the community and the legal profession beyond the firm's walls by strengthening that pipeline"

-Calvin Wingfield

IP Litigation Partner and Co-Chair of Goodwin's Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity

Selection Criteria

To qualify for the scholarship, students must have received acceptance to, and plan to attend, an ABA-accredited law school and express a genuine interest in pursuing a career in corporate law. Students must also currently be a recent graduate of an HBCU or be enrolled in good standing at an HBCU with an expected graduation date in or around May 2024

Successful applications will demonstrate:



Exceptional Academic Performance



Outstanding Leadership Abilities



A Commitment to Community Service



Strong Interpersonal Skills

To remain eligible, a candidate may not participate in a similar program or be an award recipient of another law firm. A candidate must not be an immediate family member of a Goodwin lawyer or employee and may not be a Goodwin client or an employee of a Goodwin client.

Application Process

Candidates interested in applying must complete the <u>online application</u>, which includes the submission of a resume, current undergraduate transcript, and personal statement of no more than 500 words.

The personal statement should include examples of the applicant's leadership qualities, contributions to their community, and interest in corporate law.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and remain open until May 3, 2024.

Contact Us

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