

I. MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

- a. Merit-based scholarships are awarded by the School of Law Admission's Committee to entering students.
- b. All entering applicants are considered by the Admission Committee
- c. Scholarships are based upon scholastic merit, including undergraduate grades and performance on the LSAT.
- d. Full-time enrollment (10+ credits) is required each term
 - i. Students in their final term may have their merit-based scholarships prorated for less than full-time enrollment. Contact the financial aid office for more information.
- e. Scholarships cannot exceed actual tuition charges for a given term.

II. RENEWAL CRITERIA

- a. Renewal of merit-based scholarships requires a 2.75 GPA at the end of the student's second and fourth terms of their program.
- b. Disciplinary action may jeopardize the renewal of merit scholarships

III. DISTRIBUTION OF AID

- a. **Traditional JD program:**
 - i. The annual scholarship is paid to the student's account in equal proportion, by semester.
 - ii. One-half of the annual amount is disbursed at the beginning of fall semester; the other half is disbursed at the beginning of spring semester.
 - iii. At no time will the full annual amount be credited to only one semester within an academic year.
 - iv. Merit-based scholarships cannot be used for the summer term.
- b. **Executive JD program:**
 - i. The annual scholarship is paid to the student's account in equal proportion, by semester.
 - ii. One-half of the annual amount is disbursed at the beginning of summer term; the other half is disbursed at the beginning of fall semester. If the student maintains a 2.75 GPA after the first two terms, One-half of the annual amount is disbursed at the beginning of spring semester; the other half is disbursed at the beginning of summer term.
 - iii. At no time will the full annual amount be credited to only one semester within an academic year.

IV. MAXIMUM TIME FRAME

- a. Students in the Traditional JD program are eligible for three academic years' (six semesters) of merit-based scholarships.
- b. Students in the Executive JD program are eligible for three academic years' (six terms) of merit-based scholarships.

Questions related to this policy may be directed to the Gonzaga University Financial Aid Office, located in Crosby Center, Room 001, to finaid@gonzaga.edu or by telephone at (509) 313-6582