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**2022-2023 HBACF FOUNDATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**



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Background and Purpose

The Hispanic Bar Association of Central Florida (HBACF) is proud to announce its scholarship application for the 2022-2023 academic year with the goal of better serving the Hispanic community in Central Florida through legal education. The HBACF scholarship is made possible through the generous donations of HBACF members, Themis, The Umansky Law Firm, friends and HBACF fundraising efforts. For the 2022-2023 academic year, a scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student of Hispanic descent, from either Barry University School of Law or FAMU College of Law, who has demonstrated leadership and involvement on campus and in the general community.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants for the HBACF Scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a student currently attending Barry University School of Law or FAMU College of Law and is currently considered a 3L or higher as defined by the school of attendance;
- Although there is no cumulative GPA minimum requirement, academic achievement and excellence will be strongly considered;
- Must be of Hispanic descent or heritage; and
- Must have campus and community involvement and/or leadership.

Award and Selection Process

The HBACF Scholarship consists of a Themis Bar Prep Package and two book awards valued at \$500 each. The award will be distributed by HBACF in conjunction with the Themis Bar Prep, and The Umansky Law Firm for the 2022-2023 school year.



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The HBACF Scholarship award recipient will be required to attend 2022 Holiday Domino Tournament where the recipient will be publicly announced.

The HBACF Scholarship award recipient will also be invited to attend the HBACF Installation event and must join HBACF for a term of 1 year (the membership fee will be waived).

The HBACF Scholarship award recipient will be selected by a committee composed of HBACF board members, which will evaluate applicants on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement;
- Personal essay;
- Community service, leadership or volunteerism;
- Letters of recommendation;
- Financial need (Not a determinative factor);
- Military Service (Not a determinative factor); and
- Video Submission

Application Deadlines

Complete applications must be *sent via email* to **hbacf.foundation@gmail.com** by 5:00pm EST on Monday November 14, 2022. The HBACF Scholarship award recipient for the 2022-2023 academic year will be notified of his or her selection on or before Friday November 18, 2022.

Instructions

The applicant must ensure the scholarship application below is complete and that all required information and materials are submitted with the application on or before the deadline specified above. Please do not leave any blanks. If an item does not apply, simply indicate with “N/A”. Incomplete or untimely applications will not be considered.



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Personal Data:

Last Name

First Name

Middle

Email Address

Cell Phone Number

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Place of Birth

Date of Birth

Hispanic Heritage

Academic Data:

Law School

Expected Graduation Date

Credit Hours Completed



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Personal Essay:

Provide an essay (500 words maximum, typed, double spaced, 12-point font, 1-inch margins) addressing the following factors, among others you may wish to include:

- Family background;
- Hispanic heritage;
- Leadership and Community roles and activities;
- Volunteerism;
- Honors, achievements, and awards;
- Career goals or aspirations;
- How you plan to give back to the Hispanic community after graduating law school; and
- Financial need
- Military Service (if applicable).

Transcript and Resume:

The following **MUST** be submitted with this application:

- An official or unofficial law school transcript from your current and any past law school(s) attended. (The HBACF reserves the right to request official transcripts prior to awarding any scholarship.)
- A resume detailing your educational and work history, as well as any special skills, licenses, credentials, experiences and achievements.

Letter(s) of Recommendation or Video Submission:

- The applicant has a choice of submission letter(s) of recommendation or a video submission describing your eligibility for the scholarship. Both options will be weighed equally and are subject to your personal choice.

Letter(s) of Recommendation:

- One or two letters of recommendation, addressed to the HBACF Scholarship Committee, must be submitted with this application. The letters can be emailed to hbacf.foundation@gmail.com. Such letters should be regarding your academic, community service, personal achievements, and potential for future success. In addition, such letters may address the maturity, motivation, self-confidence, leadership, and commitment of the applicant ; or



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Please select one of the following options:

____ I am applying for the Themis bar prep course

____ I have already purchased a bar prep course and am applying for the \$500 scholarship to assist with bar preparation.

Certification:

I certify that I have completed the foregoing application and have attached all required information needed for consideration. I certify that all information on this application and in the enclosed attachments are true and correct. I hereby give the Hispanic Bar Association of Central Florida permission to share the information, including GPA and biographical information contained in this application, package for public relations purposes. I certify that I am currently enrolled as a full-time or part-time law student at Barry University School of Law or FAMU College of Law. I understand the application package materials become property of the Hispanic Bar Association of Central Florida and will not be returned. I also understand that, if selected as the HBACF Scholarship award recipient I am required to become a member of HBACF for one year (membership fee to be waived for the year) and attend the Dominoes Tournament and Installation Dinner. I hereby certify that I have read this application and this Certification, and I accept all conditions contained herein.

Applicant's Signature

Date