



# Hmong American Bar Association

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**\*\*ANNOUNCEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE\*\***

**HABA LSAT PREP COURSE SCHOLARSHIP**

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The Hmong American Bar Association (HABA) invites the community to submit applications to be considered for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) preparation course scholarship. Strong LSAT scores can lead to law school scholarships, highly competitive law school applications, and a greater likelihood of acceptance into law school. Additionally, HABA is committed to diversifying the legal field by aiding law school hopefuls at the earliest stages of their legal career. This scholarship is intended to remove the financial barrier of a LSAT preparation course for a potential law student who cannot afford to pay for the course. The scholarship will be a direct payment from HABA to a LSAT preparation course provider on behalf of the scholarship recipient.

**Applications due by May 30, 2018, 12 Midnight Central Time, submitted** by email to [haba.minn@gmail.com](mailto:haba.minn@gmail.com), subject line: "HABA LSAT PREP COURSE SCHOLARSHIP".

**HABA's mission is to seek justice and to promote knowledge of the law and the legal system to its members, the Hmong community, and the community at large through education, scholarship, assistance, and services.**



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To be considered for the HABA LSAT PREP COURSE SCHOLARSHIP, applicants must meet the following requirements and provide supporting documents, as stated below:

## **Qualifications:**

1. Demonstrated activity(ies) in furtherance of HABA's mission
2. Demonstrated intention to attend law school within a year from taking an LSAT preparation course
3. Demonstrated financial need
4. Will take the LSAT preparation course by December 31, 2018

## **Required Documents:**

1. Resume
2. Unofficial Undergraduate Transcript
3. Statement of Financial Need (both required)
  - Financial Need Attestation: Please provide a written document attesting to the following statement, "I attest that I am low-income and in financial need."
  - Benefit Statement: *In a paragraph or two, please provide a statement regarding your financial hardship.*
    - Additional consideration will be given to individuals who are the first in their family to attend law school and/or who personally receive public assistance or whose parents currently receive public assistance. If applicable, please indicate those circumstances on your Statement of Financial Need.
4. Essay 1:
  - *What have you done to implement your intention to attend law school? (1 page maximum, double-spaced, 1 inch margins)*
5. Essay 2:
  - *How have you furthered HABA's mission? (2 pages maximum, double-spaced, 1 inch margins)*



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## FAQs

Q: Is there a GPA requirement?

A: No. While an undergraduate transcript is required, a GPA threshold is not a part of the requirement. HABA acknowledges that grades are only one part of the law school admissions criteria, and scholarship applications will be evaluated as a whole.

Q: Do I have to be a current college student?

A: No. Many people enter the legal field at different stages in life. HABA encourages community members from all walks of life to apply.

Q: Is there an age limit?

A: No.

Q: Do I have to be Hmong to apply for this scholarship?

A: No.

Q: Do I have to live in Minnesota?

A: No.

Q: What are some examples that illustrate my intentions to attend law school?

A: Some common things that prospective law students do are:

- Complete an informational interview with lawyers, judges, and other professionals in the legal field
- Observe a court hearing
- Attend law school admissions information sessions
- Research law schools
- Visit law schools
- Work in a legal setting

Additional questions may be emailed to [haba.minn@gmail.com](mailto:haba.minn@gmail.com).