

Training Scholarships

The British Institute of International and Comparative Law is committed to equality and opportunity in the legal profession and aims to support greater engagement of underrepresented groups in the legal profession.

In our efforts in this regard we are delighted to offer **3** scholarships for each of our short courses to participants from communities and backgrounds currently under-represented in the legal community.

Moreover, we are conscious of the many challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and are seeking to do our part to support people preparing for the legal market in the days after this crisis. In view of this, the scholarship opportunities are also extended to anyone for whom the pandemic has resulted in reduced or precarious employment.

Scholarship: the scholarship covers the full price of the participation fee for the course accompanied by one year of Individual BIICL membership. Unfortunately, BIICL is unable to cover travel and subsistence assistance for those courses taking place in person.

Expectations: the number of scholarships is limited, and we expect demand to be high. We therefore expect recipients of the scholarships to commit to taking the course and to attending all sessions. Recipients of the course who fail to address sufficient number of sessions to ensure a certificate of participation (80% of sessions) will not be eligible to receive further scholarships and may be charged the full fee of the course. Such a requirement can be waived in proven exceptional circumstances.

Restrictions: an individual may only receive one scholarship in any 1-year period. Such restriction applies irrespective of the costs and content of the course for which the scholarship was received.

Procedure: anyone interested in applying and who considers that they fall within the above categories must apply by sending a short cover letter (no more than 2 pages) accompanied with an updated Curriculum Vitae to <u>training@biicl.org</u> by a deadline which is to be set at 3 weeks prior to the commencement of the course in question. Such applications will be reviewed, and selection made by the Course Leader, Director of Teaching and Training and

one other member of staff of BIICL. All applicants shall be notified of the decision at least 2 weeks before the start of the course. The decision of the committee shall be final and not subject to appeal. The committee is not in a position to provide justification for its decisions.

Moreover, BIICL is delighted to support individuals seeking funding to attend its courses through other channels including via their own employers or Universities. If any assistance is required in this regard <u>please do get in touch</u>.

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