



**British Institute of
International and
Comparative Law**

Training Scholarship Policy

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 under-represented 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 continues to result 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 demand is 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 attend a sufficient number of sessions to ensure a certificate of participation (70% of live session time) will not be eligible to receive further scholarships, will not be entitled to complementary BIICL membership 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.

Subject to the restriction above on the number of scholarship places which may be received, there is no restriction on the number of applications that an individual may submit.

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 1 page) accompanied with an updated Curriculum Vitae (max. 2 pages) to scholarships@biicl.org 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 Director of Teaching and Training and the Course Leader (with an additional member of staff consulted if required).

Successful applicants shall be notified of the decision at least 1 week before the start of the course. The decision of the committee shall be final and not subject to appeal. BIICL is not in a position to provide explanations for its decision on whether to award scholarships or not.

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 [please do get in touch.](#)

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