PETER A. ALLARD SCHOOL OF LAW
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

FUNDING SUPPORT FOR LAW STUDENTS
UBC is strongly committed to ensuring accessibility for domestic students. POLICY 72 was created to ensure that UBC is financially accessible to all domestic students and that domestic students are not prevented from starting or continuing their studies for financial reasons. POLICY 72 is not a blanket guarantee of funding. As a student, you need to have a clear understanding of your responsibilities and take the steps necessary to access all available resources. This includes talking with your family about support, applying for government student loans, demonstrating financial need, meeting deadlines for funding programs, ensuring you are taking the minimum number of courses required for support, and maintaining a good credit history. The types of support you can access depend on your course of study. Types of support include repayable funding, such as government student loans, commercial loans or lines of credit from private financial institutions, non-repayable funding, such as bursaries, or wage subsidy programs, such as Work Learn.

The University recognizes the high cost of the J.D. program. To support students in the J.D. program, UBC has made the following types of funding support available to undergraduate law students:

1. **GOVERNMENT STUDENT LOANS**

   Student loans are government-funded repayable financial assistance. To be eligible for student loans, applicants must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents and must be registered in at least 60% of a full-time course load (40% for students with permanent disabilities).

   BC students should apply on-line at [www.studentaidbc.ca](http://www.studentaidbc.ca). For information on how to apply to a province other than BC please go to [http://you.ubc.ca/](http://you.ubc.ca/). To apply for government student loans before July 31, will be eligible to have their tuition fees deferred by one month in each term.

2. **BURSARIES**

   Bursaries are non-repayable awards that are allocated primarily on the basis of financial need. To be considered for Winter session bursaries, your enrolment must be confirmed for your student loan by September 15th. We strongly recommend that you apply for your loan by July 15th to ensure time for processing. Your student loan application does not cover bursaries; you must submit a separate bursary application to Enrolment Services.

   Bursary applications for the Winter session are available on-line at the Student Service Centre as of [August 15](http://you.ubc.ca/). You may receive an invitation in June to apply for an early estimate of your bursary eligibility. The amount of bursary funding that each J.D. student may receive will vary each year depending on the number of eligible students, total unmet need of applicants, and available bursary support. Bursary funding will not cover all of your unmet need.

3. **WORK LEARN**

   The UBC Work Learn program is an employment program that provides students with the opportunity to work on campus in a variety of jobs and earn additional income to help finance their education. Students can work a maximum of 10 hours per week for the Winter Session (Sept –
6. AWARDS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
In addition to the standard UBC awards, there is also the Awards for Students with Disabilities program. There are 21 awards, ranging in value and eligibility criteria, which are confirmed each year. Supporting documentation may be required in some cases. A complete list of the awards that are available each year can be found on the current application form.

Applications are available from http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/finances/awards/disabilities and from the Access and Diversity office in Brock Hall (1874 East Mall). Applications are available August 15 and are due October 15.

7. PROFESSIONAL STUDENT LINES OF CREDIT
Through this program, eligible law students can access lines of credit to support the costs of attending the J.D. program. Lines of credit are available to eligible students on favourable terms as to interest and repayment schedules. The maximum funding available varies depending on the financial institution and the student’s financial situation. Although many financial institutions offer lines of credit, Scotiabank, Bank of Montreal, Royal Bank and CIBC have developed banking packages specifically for Law students. Students should contact the financial institution of their choice for more information.

For general enquiries, or if you find yourself in an emergency situation and/or faced with an unexpected expense, please make an appointment with an Enrolment Services Professional:
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Vancouver BC V6T 1Z1
604-822-9836  |  1-877-272-1422
Web: http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment

April). To be considered for Work Learn, undergraduate students must be registered in courses in both Winter terms 1 and 2.

Work Learn positions are posted at http://students.ubc.ca/career/campus-experiences/work-learn starting in early August each year. Students apply directly to the employers.

4. SCHOLARSHIPS AND AFFILIATION AWARDS
The Peter A. Allard School of Law offers a number of entrance awards and continuing scholarships for eligible students. In June, admitted students receive an invitation to complete the application form for these awards, which range in size from a few thousand dollars to full tuition. Successful applicants are notified of decisions in August.

Affiliation awards require membership in an organization or affiliation with a union, specific firm or industry. Affiliation Scholarships are awarded based on merit and Affiliation Bursaries are given to students who demonstrate financial need. Generally, applicants for Affiliation Bursaries must be in receipt of government student loans in order to be considered. Requirements for each award are listed on the application forms. Separate applications for the Affiliation Scholarships and Affiliation Bursaries Programs are available for download from http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/finances/awards starting June 1 and must be submitted to Enrolment Services by August 1.

5. ABORIGINAL AWARDS
UBC also has over 60 awards specifically for Aboriginal students and students pursuing Aboriginal relevant coursework. Students can apply for Aboriginal scholarships and bursaries by submitting the Aboriginal Awards application form, which is available for download from http://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/finances/awards/aboriginal starting June 1. The deadline for application is August 1.

The Allard School of Law also offers several awards specifically for Aboriginal students. These awards will be included in the general call for award applications in June.