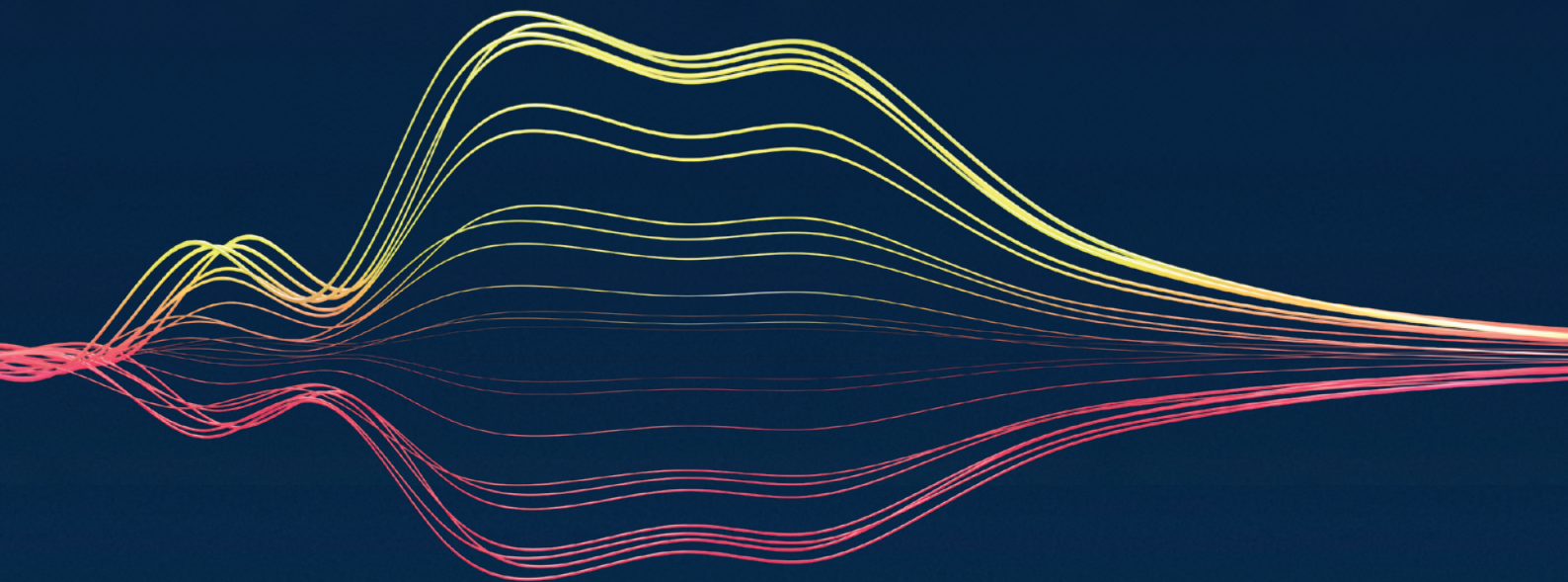


Global Scholarships Programme



About DLA Piper

DLA Piper is a global business law firm with lawyers in Africa, the Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe and the Middle East, positioning us to help companies with their legal needs around the world. Our strategy is simple – to support the legal needs of our clients wherever they do business.

Our clients range from multinational Global 1000 and Fortune 500 enterprises to emerging companies developing industry-leading technologies. They include more than half of the Fortune 250 and nearly half of the FTSE 350 or their subsidiaries. We also advise governments and public sector bodies.

Our values centre around our people, our clients and our communities. We believe in being supportive of our colleagues and that by working together we are a stronger firm. We are committed living by our values,

to be Bold, Collaborative, Supportive and Exceptional and that the firm's continued success relies on its genuine satisfaction and success of our people. Our culture is unpretentious and entrepreneurial, with people working together across the business. We see strength in diversity and we know that the best people come from a variety of backgrounds.



About the DLA Piper global scholarships programme

The DLA Piper Global Scholarship is a two year programme for talented law students in developing countries. The purpose of the Scholarship is to foster outstanding legal professionals by providing practical learning and development opportunities which enhance their ability to contribute to the rule of law in their home countries and beyond.

This is not a recruitment programme: our aim is to support to develop the confidence and aspirations to pursue careers in a commercial environment, in community development or in the public service commitment to developing a strong rule of law and increasing access to justice around the world.

DLA Piper invites applications from undergraduate law students in the second to last year of their degree; and postgraduate law students who would like to pursue a two year postgraduate qualification in a related field. Students must be studying in their home country and be from one of the countries listed below to be eligible for this programme.

The Scholarship has been designed to support high achieving law students who would not otherwise have access to role models, internships, mentoring and tuition support that this programme will provide. This scholarship programme provides a variety of support and opportunities for participants to develop skills, confidence and build networks to succeed at university and into employment.

Countries where we support students:

AFRICA

Mozambique
Rwanda
Senegal
The Gambia
Uganda
Zambia

ASIA PACIFIC

Bangladesh
Cambodia
Laos
Vanuatu

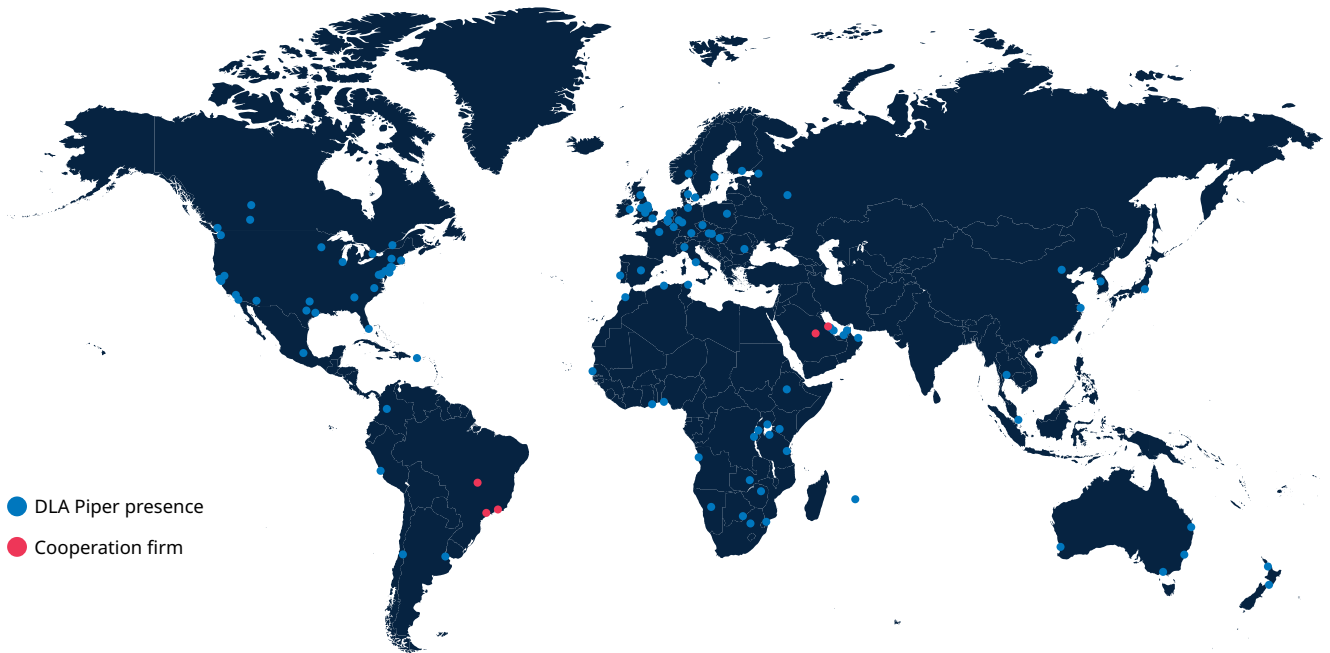
LATIN AMERICA

Guatemala
El Salvador
Honduras

Our valued partners



DLA Piper's global presence:



- DLA Piper presence
- Cooperation firm

AMERICAS

- Argentina
- Brazil*
- Canada
- Chile
- Colombia
- Mexico
- Peru
- United States

* Cooperation firm

EUROPE

- Austria
- Belgium
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Luxembourg
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- Slovak Republic
- Spain
- Sweden
- United Kingdom

MIDDLE EAST

- Bahrain
- Oman
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia*
- United Arab Emirates

AFRICA

- Algeria
- Angola
- Botswana
- Burundi
- Ethiopia
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia

- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Senegal
- South Africa
- Tanzania
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

ASIA PACIFIC

- Australia
- China
- Japan
- New Zealand
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Thailand

Programme overview

Each scholarship is developed to support the needs of the individual student, and will be reviewed regularly by the Scholarships Management team.

Financial support

- Full university tuition payment, for the duration of the Scholarship (two years)
- All costs relating to internships which are offered during the Scholarship period (including all transport, food, accommodation, visas, etc.)
- Payment for courses and/or events (local, national or international) that benefit professional development
- Laptop and/or phone
- High quality internet support
- Financial support towards relevant study materials (including, text books, subscriptions etc.)
- Support towards business attire ahead of internships

Engagement

- Regular mentoring session with high quality mentors from DLA Piper network
- Regular meetings with the Scholarships Management team focused on personal and professional development
- Peer and professional networking opportunities
- Advice and support to access post graduate scholarships offered by third parties and continued learning opportunities

Learning and development

- Access to Rosetta Stone Language Learning Development
- Week long development course covering the scholarship opportunity, soft skills and the opportunity to meet lawyers and other Fellows
- Support to develop clear educational and professional goals
- Assistance to write a quality CV
- Professional interview preparation training
- Access to online DLA Piper training resources
- The opportunity to build employability skills and confidence through internships in DLA Piper office, with commercial and pro bono clients
- Leadership Course, delivered in partnership with Saïd Business School, Oxford University in the UK

Building networks

- Actively participate in the GSP Alumni network community
- Develop relationships with peers in the programme locally and nationally
- Complete world-class training programmes focused on leadership development and the rule of law
- Prepare for business and community leadership
- Network with successful industry and community leaders



Eligibility

To be eligible for the scholarship, you must:

- 1 Be studying law, and in your last to second last year of study in your home country, **or**
- 2 Have completed a Law degree and have been accepted to pursue a Masters Degree in a related field in your home country.
- 3 Currently be achieving, or be expected to achieve, a first class degree, or be in the top 10% of your class, and
- 4 Receive a recommendation from your university
- 5 Be a citizen of the country you are applying from
- 6 Have a good level of spoken and written English as this will ensure you are able to fully participate in the programme

Before you submit your application, please check you have the following:

- A letter of recommendation from the Dean/ Head of your law School, or Tutor
- A supporting/personal statement which describes why you chose to study law, and what you want to achieve in your career (up to 500 words)

Applications should be submitted to DLA Piper via the online application form, you will receive a link to the application form from your university.





The application process

- 1 University advertises opportunity to eligible students and send them the application link. In some countries, Fellows from previous years help to identify potential candidates and can share the link to the application form
- 2 Candidates apply via the online portal, ensuring to add all details and supporting documents requested (candidates must include their contact details, email and phone number)
- 3 Candidates who meet the eligibility criteria will be contacted by phone for a pre-interview screening call
- 4 Candidates who eligible and pass the pre-screening assessment will be asked to attend a face to face interview, usually at their university or at a local DLA Piper office
- 5 All candidates (successful and unsuccessful) will be notified by email
- 6 Programme begins, students will become known as DLA Piper Fellows and will be invited to a Development Course with all new Fellows

For any questions, please contact Clementine Johnson, Head of Social Impact, clementine.johnson@dlapiper.com and Mthusi Morebodi, Global Scholarship Program Manager, mthusi.morebodi@dlapiper.com



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Frequently asked questions

1. WILL FELLOWS GET A QUALIFICATION/ CERTIFICATION AFTER THE PROGRAMME?

Upon completion of the DLA Piper Global Scholarship Programme Fellows will receive a certificate of participation from DLA Piper.

2. WHEN CAN STUDENTS APPLY FOR THIS PROGRAMME

We start the recruitment in October each year, with phone and in person interviews through November, December and January. Candidates are notified of the outcome in March.

3. WHAT IF I AM CURRENTLY UNDER BURSARY/ SCHOLARSHIP?

This is fine, you can choose whether DLA Piper takes over your tuition payment or you continue to be supported by your original bursary/scholarship provider. You can still access the DLA Piper mentoring, internships, networking and learning opportunities.

4. CAN I STUDY MY MASTER'S IN ANOTHER COUNTRY?

The DLA Piper Global Scholarship covers the tuition for Fellows studying in their home country.

If you apply for a Masters Degree outside of your home country and are accepted it would be your responsibility to cover the full tuition payment and associated costs or find a scholarship to cover this cost.



