

Hefin Rees KC Law Scholarship

Notes to Applicants

2025-6

Scholarship Available for 2025/26 Academic Year

The following Scholarship is available for the upcoming academic year 25/26 to applicants wishing to embark on an LLB with Durham Law School. This Scholarship has been established from a generous gift from Durham Law School Alumnus, supporter and friend of the University Hefin Rees KC.

Am I eligible to apply?

You are eligible for this scholarship if:

1. You are commencing your studies on a LLB Programme at Durham University in October 2025; and
2. Your official fee status is Home student; and
3. Your household income has been assessed by Student Finance England (SFE) (or equivalent) as below £47,200 at the start of the 2025/26 academic year; and
4. You have been educated at a state-maintained UK school, college or other education provider for the whole of your education; and

How can I use the Scholarship?

The scholarship is intended to help you get the best out of your time at Durham University and Durham Law School. The funding awarded to you is yours and does not need to be repaid. You can use the money to pay for the things that would help you most. Typically, students find it helpful to use such awards to purchase their own learning resources such as textbooks, laptops and related devices; membership and other costs relating to clubs, societies, sports and activities that interest them and help build skills which may transfer into the workplace; and/or to enable participation in activities that support personal development and employability – perhaps volunteering or attending employer insight days. You can also put it towards fees or costs of accommodation.

How and when to I apply?

To apply for this scholarship, please;

- Complete and submit the application form (insert link once finalised on the web)

- And provide official evidence of your time in care to law.communications@durham.ac.uk with the subject 'Hefin Rees KC 2025 Scholarship'

The information you provide will be treated in strict confidence and will only be seen by members of the selection panel.

Applications must be received before midnight (no later than 23:59 BST) on 31st March 2025.
Successful applicants will be notified of decision by 09/05/2025

If I am awarded a Scholarship, what else do I have to do?

If you are awarded a scholarship, you will be asked in the first term to write a short letter of introduction to your donor. We will contact you to provide guidance on what to include. At the end of the year of funding we will contact you again to request that you write a short reflection on the part your scholarship has played in your experience as a student at Durham Law School and at Durham University, and again guidance will be given. By accepting the offer of a scholarship you will be agreeing to provide the short reports outlined above. These reports will be shared with the donor of your scholarship, so they can see how this support is helping you and may be published in full or in part in Departmental and/or University publications in print and/or online. You may also be asked to contribute other quotes or content from time to time. If reports, comments or other content you have submitted are to be published, you have the option for these to include your name, photograph, or other content that might identify you, or not – if you prefer not to be identified as the recipient of a scholarship.

The Hefin Rees KC Scholarship is about offering support to those who might benefit from it most. Support is financial but will also come in the form of having a community around you who can act as trusted friends, mentors and approachable source of listening, advise and signposting to wider networks. You will be invited, at least once per academic year, to meet with other students in receipt of scholarships and awards, along with a small number of staff and perhaps also some of donors of scholarships. These meetings are intended to help you by creating a community of Scholars that you can feel part of, by giving you access to members of the University community who are in your corner. You may also receive invitations to participate in occasional other events relating to your scholarship. By accepting the offer of a scholarship, you will be agreeing to make the time (wherever possible) to attend and participate in such meetings and events.

What if I have questions about the scholarship?

If you have any questions about the scholarship, please email law.communications@durham.ac.uk