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## EDUCATION EQUITY AWARDS

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### Purpose

To encourage diversity and the attainment of equity in legal education and practice, the Law Society of Ontario has established seven Education Equity Awards funded by LexisNexis Canada Inc.

LexisNexis Canada Inc., pursuant to arrangements made with the Law Society of Ontario, will advance annually to each of the seven law schools in Ontario, \$2,000.00 to be awarded to eligible students.

### Eligibility

To be eligible, a student must satisfy the following:

- a) be a member of a visible minority, a member of the Indigenous community, a member of the LGBTQ community, OR a student who has a physical, psychological or learning disability;
- b) be enrolled in either the second or third year of a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) or Juris Doctor (J.D.) program at a law school in Ontario;
- c) be in good standing with the law school (i.e., maintaining a passing grade in each law school course).

### Criteria

The awards will be made based primarily on financial need with due consideration being given to academic achievement and/or devotion and commitment to community and/or university service, as determined by the Law Dean or designate.

### Selection Procedure

In January of each year, the Law Dean, or designate, will call for applications. Upon making the awards, the Dean, or designate, will provide, on a confidential basis, to the Law Society of Ontario and to LexisNexis Canada Inc., the name of each recipient and a brief description of the recipient's qualifications. As well, each year, the Dean, or designate, will report to the Law Society of Ontario and LexisNexis Canada Inc., on a confidential basis, the academic progress of the previous recipients of the awards.