

SARITA AND CLAIRE WRIGHT LUCAS FOUNDATION

SCWLF Scholarship Program **Applications Open September 1st – March 31st.**

Foundation Overview

The Sarita and Claire Wright Lucas Foundation (SCWLF) seeks to support young Black women like Sarita Wright Lucas who are committed to serving the public and pursuing careers as prosecutors. The mission of the SCWLF is to support and encourage more women of color to take on the visible and important role of Prosecutors.

Scholarship Program Overview

The SCWLF provides \$5,000 scholarships to Black women law students to cover bar application and preparation fees. Upon completion of one year of employment as a prosecutor, scholarship recipients receive an additional \$5,000 employment incentive.

Law school debt is well documented. What's not so well known is the need for additional funds to prepare for the Bar exam. In addition to the cost of a prep course, many recent graduates must take out personal loans to cover living expenses as they take on the full-time, unpaid work of preparing for the exam. Unlike many law graduates who head to a private practice, those who choose to work for public agencies are on their own financially to prep for the Bar exam. Those upfront initial costs are steep enough to steer people away from public sector legal work. Our aim is to encourage women of color to work in public service and through their careers make a difference in the justice system and our communities.

Students who are interested in applying for the Sarita and Claire Wright Lucas Foundation Scholarship are strongly encouraged to review the eligibility criteria and program description before submitting an application at the following link: <https://saritaandclairefoundation.org/scholarship/>.

Have any questions?

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