

ARTHUR L. LITTLEWORTH BEST BEST & KRIEGER DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Best Best & Krieger LLP, in partnership with the Association of California Water Agencies, is pleased to introduce the Arthur L. Littleworth Best Best & Krieger Diversity Scholarship. This annual program was established in 2022 in honor of the late Art Littleworth, a longtime BB&K partner, water law and policy visionary, and respected civil rights advocate.

Through this program, BB&K and ACWA will annually award one \$10,000 scholarship, disbursed evenly over a four-year period, to a qualified undergraduate student of diverse or underrepresented background who, by demonstrating a passion for and career trajectory in water law, and commitment to diversity and inclusion, will bolster public administration in California. The recipient will also receive mentorship opportunities with BB&K.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY MARCH 1.



Each year, BB&K and ACWA will award one \$10,000 scholarship to a qualified undergraduate student that will be distributed evenly in four \$2,500 increments over four years. The scholarship is sponsored by BBK.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be attending an accredited public or private U.S. college at the academic year covered by the scholarship.
- Applicants must be a **freshman or sophomore** at the time of the academic year covered by the scholarship.
- Applicant must be pursuing an undergraduate degree related to law, water law, water policy or public administration.
- Applicant must commit to full-time enrollment (12 semester units or 16 quarter units) for the entire academic year.
- Applicant must submit at least two current letters of recommendation (but no more than three).
- Applicants must submit official high school or college transcripts; acceptable formats include photocopied or scanned official transcripts, or unofficial transcripts issued by the school; however, printed class schedules will not be accepted.
- Applicant must submit an essay responding to the following prompt: **What is your personal mission for advancing the field of water and how has your diverse background contributed to this mission?** (800-1200 words)

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD SELECTION

- Academic achievement
- Essay response
- Demonstrated commitment to leadership and volunteer activity
- Interest and/or experience in law, water law, water policy or public administration
- Commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion

PURPOSE AND DISBURSEMENT

Scholarship funds will not be disbursed to the recipient directly, but to the appropriate financial aid office in the sum of \$2500 per year and must be applied to the student's account for tuition and fees. Scholarship funds should not be transferred directly to the student or be used for any other purpose. The recipient will be responsible for providing materials in March of each year that demonstrate they are still eligible to receive the scholarship funds. If a scholarship recipient fails to meet the terms of this scholarship in any way, the award may be rescinded.

QUESTIONS?
Email scholarships@acwa.com
or call (916) 441-4545

APPLY ONLINE AT
www.acwa.com/about/scholarships