



PRO BONO AWARDS

The University of San Francisco School of Law invites students to apply for two different pro bono awards recognizing students for their exemplary service to the public interest community. Only graduating students are eligible for and may receive both awards.

The deadline for your application is at **5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 6, 2018**. You may email or provide a hard-copy of your application to the Pro Bono Program, Office of Student Affairs, 328 Kendrick, probono@usfca.edu.

Pro Bono Publico Award – For Commitment to Pro Bono During the Current Academic Year

You are eligible to receive a Pro Bono Publico Award if you have completed at least 25 hours of pro bono service during the 2017-18 academic year. There are three levels of recognition:

- Bronze: for those who completed 25 to 49 hours of pro bono work;
- Silver: for those who have completed 50 to 74 hours of pro bono work; or
- Gold: for those who have completed 75 or more hours of pro bono work.

Pro Bono Excellence Award – For Sustained Commitment to Pro Bono During Your Law School Career

You are eligible to receive a Pro Bono Excellence Award if:

- Your graduation date is December 2017 or May 2018; and
- You received a Pro Bono Publico Award (at any level) each year you were a registered student at USF Law School and can provide proof of at least 25 hours of pro bono work from any year spent at another law school.

The hours that qualify for USF's Pro Bono Program must meet two requirements.

1. Students must be:
 - a. providing direct legal services to persons of limited means;
 - b. helping groups or organizations seeking to secure or protect civil rights, civil liberties, or public rights;
 - c. helping charitable, religious, civic, community, governmental, and educational organizations not able to afford legal representation;
 - d. participating in activities providing information about justice, the law or the legal system to those who might not otherwise have such information; or
 - e. engaging in activities to enhance the capacity of the law and legal institutions to do justice.
2. The work must be completed under the supervision of a licensed attorney or, under exceptional circumstances, a program director.

Certain activities do not qualify as Pro Bono for purposes of USF's Pro Bono Program regardless of whether they meet the above requirements, such as work performed for academic credit, a salary, or a grant. Additionally, work performed for law journals, writing competitions, symposia or conferences, judicial internships, fundraising, or electioneering activities do not qualify as Pro Bono.



PRO BONO APPLICATION

Name (as you want it to appear on Award)

Email Address

Class Year

To apply for the **Pro Bono Publico Award**, please enter information about the pro bono work that you have completed over the course of the 2017-2018 academic year. The information that you include on this application should be consistent with the time sheets that you have already submitted or will submit simultaneously with this application. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Dates (Month/Year)	Organization	Brief Description of Work Done	Hours Completed By 4/6/17
Total:			

If you believe you qualify for the **Pro Bono Excellence Award**, initial the following acknowledgement:

_____ My graduation date from USF School of Law is December 2017 or May 2018. I believe I am eligible to receive a Pro Bono Publico Award this academic year. For all of the years that I attended USF School of Law, I was awarded a Pro Bono Publico Award. If I attended another law school for one or more years, I am attaching proof that I completed at least 25 hours of pro bono work for each of those years.

By submitting this log sheet, I certify that I have completed the stated pro bono work. I understand that any intentional misrepresentation on this sheet constitutes academic dishonesty and may result in appropriate sanctions by the University of San Francisco School of Law.

Signature

Date

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