

Arthur C. Zief, Jr. Scholarship Application for 2026-27

Application period for 2026-27 opens: **Wednesday, September 9, 2026**

Submission deadline: **Friday, September 18, 2026, 5:00 P.T.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION	
Name:	USF ID#:
Address (as of June 2026):	Telephone:
City, State ZIP	Previous (26-27) Class Year:
	Previous (26-27) Division: FT or PT

Applicants will be contacted at their USF email address.

Criteria: *Students will be selected for a one-year scholarship based on the following:*

- Completion of at least one year of J.D. study at USF School of Law by the end of Spring 2026, and enrollment at the School of Law during 2026-27. Note: Dual degree students must apply during the Spring of JD enrollment year; the award will be deferred if enrollment in the subsequent year is primarily in a non-law program.
- Demonstrated academic potential, i.e., the student is in good standing upon conclusion of Spring 2026.
- Enrolled as a full-time law student at USF during 2026-27.
- Confirmed financial need for 2026-27 by the law school's financial aid process. **See Instruction #4 below.**
- Demonstrated detail of individual, active involvement in extra-curricular activities during 2026-26, which contributed to law school life. See Instructions.

Please Note:

- Preferential consideration may be given to applicants who will not receive other significant USF funding for the 2026-27 academic year.
- Recipients of University funding (i.e., scholarships, grants, stipends, tuition remission, etc.) will not be granted institutional funding in excess of tuition.
- Previous Zief scholarship recipients may apply, but receipt of a prior award will be considered during the selection process.

Awards: *Multiple awards, up to 50 (fifty), of between \$2,000 - \$6,000 each will be granted to students with financial need selected for their significant contribution(s) to the School of Law for non-curricular activities*

-Divided between two groups of students: **a)** 2FT, 2PT, 3PT and **b)** 3FT, 4FT, 4PT.

-Award is applied in equal amounts (one-half) to Fall and Spring tuition charges.

-Recipients must be enrolled in law school classes to receive an award for the semester.

Instructions: *Along with this completed form, applicants must submit the following:*

1. A statement of two pages or less (double-spaced), specifying your 2025-26 extra-curricular contributions to School of Law.
 - The statement will be reviewed for the substance of each applicant's activities as well as for its organization, clarity, and grammar.
 - The statement should focus on your 2025-26 law school activities.
 - Activities must be identified as individual or collaborative efforts.
 - Must provide specific details of *your* involvement. The quality of your involvement in an activity will be given greater consideration than the quantity of activities.
 - The emphasis for this scholarship is on non-credit, non-paid, non-curricular activities.
2. Current Resume, highlighting your non-paid, non-credit contributions to USF School of Law.
3. Denote your contributions on your resume with three asterisks (***)
4. Submit your official FAFSA form for 2026-27 to the Federal Processor by the scholarship deadline.

Please Note: If you are ineligible for FAFSA, the School of Law Financial Aid Office will provide an alternative means of satisfying the financial need requirement. Please email lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu if you have any questions.

Submit this completed form, your scholarship statement and resume as attachments **via your USF email address only**. Please send all questions and/or documents in a single email to lawstudentaffairs@usfca.edu.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE AND CONSENT

I consent to the selection committee's review of my permanent school record, including my academic transcript and financial aid record, for purposes of this scholarship application.

Electronic Signature (*valid only if sent from USF email address*)

Date