I. Incoming Student Scholarships

An "Incoming Student Scholarship" is a scholarship awarded through the College of Law’s Office of Admissions at the time of the admission of the student. The details of the award amount will be stated in the scholarship award letter.

II. Summer Sessions

Scholarship awards may not be applied to summer coursework unless the scholarship award letter specifically provides otherwise.

III. Change in Residency Status

In the event a change in a student’s residency status results in a reduction of the tuition charges, the student’s scholarship award will be reduced accordingly.

IV. Division Transfer Requests and Leaves of Absence

A student who petitions for a division transfer or a leave of absence must meet with the Associate Dean for Student Services to discuss the petition and the effect of the granting of the student’s petition on his or her scholarship. In the event that the student’s petition is granted, the student’s scholarship will be reviewed and the amount of the scholarship may be reduced.

V. Increase or Decrease in Credit Hours

Full-time students must attempt a total of 30 hours in the first year and maintain full-time status thereafter, taking between 12-16 credit hours per semester. Part-time students must attempt a total of 18 hours in the first year and maintain a regular part-time load thereafter, taking between 8-11 credit hours per semester.

Any student petitioning to increase or decrease the credit hour requirements must receive approval from the Associate Dean for Student Services. If the student’s petition is granted, the student’s scholarship will be reviewed and the amount of the scholarship may be reduced.

Any student taking more than 16 credit hours in a semester will be required to pay the additional per credit hour fee. Scholarship funds may not be used to pay for overload credits.

VI. Full-Tuition Awards

A full-tuition scholarship is the amount required to cover tuition for the 90 credit hours of study. It is assumed that the full-time student will take approximately 15 credit hours per semester for 6 semesters and will not take classes in the summer. It is assumed that the part-time, evening student will take approximately 9-11 credit hours per semester, including 2 summer semesters. Therefore, the following guidelines apply to students receiving full-tuition awards:

1. Any student taking more than 16 credit hours per semester will be required to pay the additional per credit hour fee for each credit hour above 16.

2. Credits taken during the summer session will not be covered by the award unless provided for in the award letter.

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VII. EARLY GRADUATION

Students who graduate early will forfeit any unused amount of the scholarship.

VIII. CLASSES TAKEN AT ANOTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

Scholarship award amounts may not be used to cover any expenses for classes taken at other educational institutions (including law classes taken as a visiting student) or for classes taken as part of a study abroad program.

IX. REVOCATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

The following situations will prompt a review of the scholarship award to determine whether a student’s scholarship should be suspended for a period of time or revoked completely:

1. Violations of the NKU Chase Honor Code or the NKU Student Code of Rights and Responsibilities.
2. Violations of admission or academic policies.
3. Failure to attend required 1L professionalism programs or complete other 1L program requirements.
4. Failure to disclose all required character and fitness information on the law school application and/or failure to timely amend the law school application to disclose matters occurring during the law school tenure.
5. Actions involving moral turpitude that result in the amendment of the character and fitness information contained in the student file.

X. ACADEMIC STANDARDS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

A student receiving merit-based scholarships must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.333 at the end of the spring semester of the student’s first year of study to retain the scholarship award. Thereafter, the student must maintain at least a cumulative GPA of 2.333 as determined after each fall and spring semester to retain his or her merit scholarship. Failure to maintain the required GPA will result in permanent revocation of the merit scholarship.

XI. ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

An academic dismissal will automatically revoke any scholarship award. The scholarship shall not be reinstated even if the student is subsequently reenrolled.

XII. MODIFICATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

NKU Chase College of Law reserves the right to modify this Scholarship Policy at any time without notice.