

## GULNARA A. KALIKOVA SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2024/2025

Kalikova & Associates, one of the leading law firms in the Kyrgyz Republic, is pleased to announce that our annual call for applications for the Gulnara A. Kalikova scholarship for the academic year 2024/2025 starts from September 15, 2024.

*The scholarship was founded in 2021 by the current shareholders of Kalikova & Associates law firm in honor of its founder, Ms. Gulnara A. Kalikova, an eminent and respected lawyer in the Kyrgyz Republic. Ms. Gulnara A. Kalikova holds a PhD in Jurisprudence, is the first-ever Kyrgyz citizen to receive an academic degree from Harvard Law School, the author of many articles and analytical notes in the field of law, state governance, economics and education.*

*The goal of the scholarship is to support and empower aspiring law students by providing financial assistance to help them achieve their educational and professional objectives in the legal field and enable them to intern at K&A- leading law firm to gain valuable experience.*

**Scholarship amount:** 72000 KGS

**Pay period:** during 9 academic months without the right for further renewal, with monthly allotments of 8000 KGS payable each month from September 2024 to May 2025 inclusive.

**Selection criteria:** The scholarship applicants must be citizens of the Kyrgyz Republic who at the date of application are 2–4-year students (full-time) of the law departments of the higher education institutions of the Kyrgyz Republic and meet the following selection criteria:

- high academic performance (especially in legal subjects), cumulative average grade (GPA) should be not less than 3.0 or its equivalent in other performance indicator type (in case of the five-point grading scale, the final grades in legal subjects should not be less than 4) as per the standards of each university;
- active involvement in academic/student conferences, courts game, publications, working in legal clinics, and/or taking internships in the field of jurisprudence, in the public life of the law department and/or university (volunteering experience will be an advantage);
- intermediate level of English proficiency;
- readiness to intern at Kalikova & Associates with a possible future employment after successful completion of the internship and obtaining a law diploma.

*\* Applications from students from regions and/or low-income backgrounds are highly encouraged.*

**Selection stages:** The competition consists of the following stages:

- acceptance and review of applications and necessary documents from applicants;
- English, Russian, Kyrgyz languages test with a shortlisted candidates
- In person (online for regional applicants) interview with the finalists.

To participate in the scholarship competition, please send the following documents in electronic format **either** in English or in Russian to [office@ka.legal](mailto:office@ka.legal) by September 30, 2024, indicating in the subject line "Scholarship 2024":

1. Motivation letter
2. CV
3. Copy of the transcript
4. One recommendation letter from a professor
5. Other additional documents are optional (e.g. articles, conference presentations, TOEFL, IETLS test results or other similar documents, etc.)

**Important dates:**

- September 10, 2024 - start of accepting scholarship applications
- September 30, 2024 - deadline for submission of scholarship applications
- September 30 – October 30, 2024 - screening applications, compiling a short list of applicants, language test, interviews
- November 1, 2024 - announcement of scholarship competition results on [www.k-a.kg](http://www.k-a.kg) and/or social media accounts of Kalikova & Associates

*\*The scholarship payments for September and October 2024, will be paid in November 2024*