

# Shook Scholars Institute

Mentorship • Trial practice • Critical development skills

Shook is excited to host a select group of first-year law students for our Virtual Shook Scholars Institute on Thursday, April 8 and Friday, April 9, 2021. Each day will consist of a half-day of programming and a social event each evening. The Shook Scholars Institute, built around what Shook is best known for, is an innovative diversity and inclusion-focused development program concentrated on litigation and trial skills, leadership, and career success competencies for the underrepresented attorney.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS: WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US

At Shook, inclusion is about creating a space where everyone belongs. We recognize that the varied perspectives and experiences found in a diverse and inclusive workplace create a broader, richer environment, producing innovative solutions for our clients. The Shook Scholars Institute gives law students the rare opportunity to learn from a litigation and trial powerhouse in an interactive, small-group setting led by Shook's attorneys. It provides them with critical development experiences while introducing them to valuable relationships and networks. Law students will experience a trial practice program, sessions on lawyering skills, leadership, success strategies and networking opportunities.

## WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU

The application process requires a completed online application, resume, law school transcript and a one-page essay explaining what you believe demonstrates your qualification for the Shook Scholars Institute and how you will contribute to the advancement of diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. Please note that you may submit an application before receiving your first-semester transcript; however, as soon as you receive it, please email [rmonroy@shb.com](mailto:rmonroy@shb.com).

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

The application process is open to all self-identified, racially and/or ethnically diverse and/or LGBTQ first-year law students enrolled full-time in an ABA-accredited law school.

A selection panel will evaluate all applications, considering the factors below:

- ✓ Demonstrated academic performance and leadership achievements
- ✓ Significant personal achievements and strong community involvement
- ✓ Strong commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion and equity in the legal profession
- ✓ Sincere interest in practicing at a top civil litigation firm

Students may apply through our [website](#) starting December 1, 2020. All applications are due by January 31, 2021.

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