



St. Mary's University School of Law

The Robert Moss Ayres, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

Institute on World Legal Problems in Innsbruck, Austria

**This scholarship was established by the Shield-Ayres Foundation in memoriam of
Robert Moss Ayres, Jr.
September 1, 1926 – June 19, 2018.**

About Robert Ayres

Robert Ayres (Bob) and his wife Patricia Shield Ayres (Pat) have made a tremendous impact on the San Antonio and central Texas community through their philanthropic and community engagement over the last seventy-five years. Bob's remarkable career included the management of a prominent investment bank in San Antonio as well as serving as Vice Chancellor of Sewanee: The University of the South for ten years. As Vice Chancellor, Bob navigated Sewanee through a period of significant financial uncertainty and has been called one of the "modern founding fathers" of the University. While serving as Vice Chancellor, Bob also established St. Mary's Sewanee: The Ayres Center for Spiritual Development, the former home of an Episcopal convent that today operates as a retreat center hosting spiritual retreats that are internationally attended. In 1977, Pat and Bob formed the Shield-Ayres Foundation. The family-run charitable foundation was created out of Ayres' shared commitment to community, service, and providing access to Texas's most vulnerable populations. One of the priorities the Shield-Ayres Foundation recognizes is the potential of education to empower, enrich, and transform lives. As a result, the Foundation supports programs that focus on providing underserved populations with educational opportunities. Today, the Foundation is comprised of six trustees, including representatives from three generations of the Ayres family.

Marshall Ayres Bowen (J.D. '18; M.A. '18)—Bob and Pat's oldest grandson and one of the trustees of the Shield-Ayres Foundation—attended the Innsbruck program in 2016. After recognizing the tremendous value the Innsbruck program added to his legal education, Marshall has been instrumental in supporting scholarships for law students who could otherwise not afford to participate in the Innsbruck program.

Criteria and eligibility (*The Robert Moss Ayres, Jr. Memorial Scholarship*)

1. Applicant must be a St. Mary's Law student.
2. Applicant must attend the 2019 Summer Innsbruck program.
3. Applicant must be in good standing,
4. Demonstrate financial need.
5. Priority for applicant who has significant familial responsibilities.

General Instructions

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is **March 29, 2019, 5:00 p.m.** (no exceptions).
2. You will be notified by email regarding the status of your application.
3. If you have any questions about the application, please email Sister Grace at gwall@stmarytx.edu.
4. The Committee will anonymously review all applications and applicants will be notified of the Committee's decisions as soon as available.

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form.
2. Letter of application addressed to the Scholarship Committee. Please include your name, email, address, class year, student ID and phone number on an attached coversheet.
3. Submit your responses to the questions referenced in application. These questions must be at least 1-2 pages, typed, and double-spaced. Please ensure your questions contains no grammatical errors.

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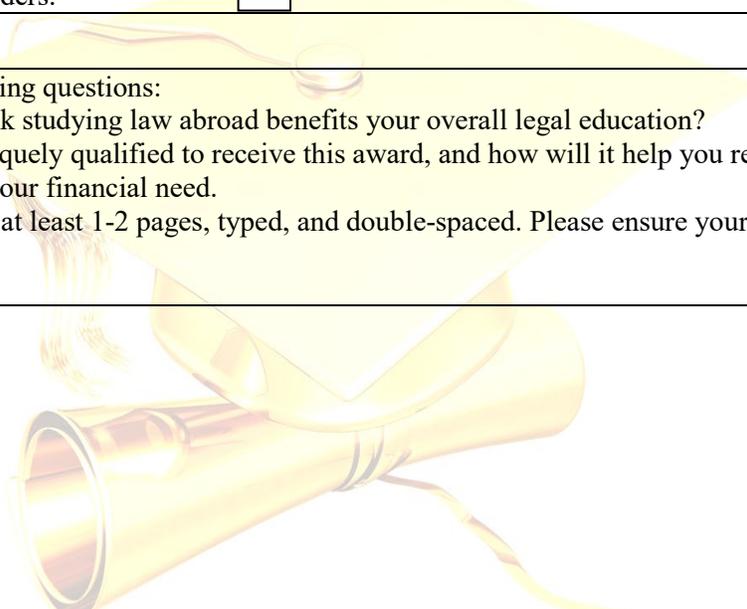
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Date of Application:

Please **type** or **print** your answers. If application is illegible it will be returned to you.

1.	Last Name:	First Name:
2.	Mailing Address:	
	Street: _____	
	City:	State: ZIP:
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: ()	
4.	Student ID #:	
5.	St. Mary's University email or other email:	
6.	I am a: (Circle one)	
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7.	List expenses you expect to incur for Innsbruck program: (Approximate figures acceptable).	
8.	Check the boxes that applies to the financial assistance you will receive per semester: (Other financial assistance will not affect your scholarship eligibility.)	
	A. Personal:	<input type="checkbox"/>
	B. Other Scholarship(s):	<input type="checkbox"/>
	C. Grants:	<input type="checkbox"/>
	D. Loans:	<input type="checkbox"/>
	E. Private Lenders:	<input type="checkbox"/>

9.	<p>Please answer the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How do you think studying law abroad benefits your overall legal education? 2. Why are you uniquely qualified to receive this award, and how will it help you reach your stated goals? 3. Please indicate your financial need. <p>These questions must be at least 1-2 pages, typed, and double-spaced. Please ensure your essay contains no grammatical errors</p>
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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Foundation's scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, according to St. Mary's University School of Law Scholarship policy, while I can apply for several scholarships, I may only be eligible for one.

By writing my name in the field below, I understand and accept the following: My application will be reviewed by the St. Mary's University School of Law Committee. The Committee may include both St. Mary's Law faculty/staff and outside members who are alumni and/or donors to the Flint Fund Scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____