

DAVID BURRES MEMORIAL LAW PRIZE

This prize was established in 1985 by family and friends of Attorney Burres, who in his lifetime encouraged the entry of women into the legal profession. The prize, to be used toward first-year tuition, is awarded to a graduating senior or an alumna who has been accepted to law school (entrance may be deferred; the prize will be held until needed). Preference is given to students aspiring to practice law in the public interest rather than for private gain, in memory of Attorney Burres's work for the disenfranchised and in the area of civil liberties. Need is a factor, but the prize is not restricted to students on financial aid.

Applicants should submit a statement of professional intentions, along with a statement of where they have been accepted for law school and whether they will be receiving financial aid, a résumé and two letters of reference. Your statement of professional intentions should explain what area of law you are interested in, why it interests you, what you might bring to it, and some background about events, large or small, that influenced your decision to pursue law, and in particular, public interest law. This may be similar to your personal statement you wrote for law school applications. If it addresses what we are asking for, you may submit your personal statement as this component of your application for the Burres Prize.

All materials must be submitted to Sue Briggs, College Hall 203, by 4 p.m. on April 16, 2008. A committee will review applications and notification will be made by the end of April. Prize recipients will be announced at Last Chapel and listed in the Last Chapel program.