

Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship - Application Rules and Procedures - (2026)

1 Purpose

As a leading full-service law firm in China, Han Kun Law Offices has witnessed and benefited from the tremendous changes and rapid development of Chinese society, and has a keen awareness of the growing demand for high-end legal talents in China. To enhance the professional competence of legal practitioners in China and promote the sustained progress and prosperity of China's legal industry, Han Kun Law Offices established the "Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship" (the "Scholarship") in 2012. The Scholarship aims to recognize outstanding young students who:

- Have graduated (or expect to graduate) with outstanding academic achievement from officially recognized universities in China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau, the same meaning shall apply below);
- Intend to enroll in well-known Chinese or foreign law schools to pursue a formal law degree (including J.D., LL.M., LL.B. degrees in Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau and overseas); and
- Plan to practice law in Mainland China upon obtaining the law degree.

2 Amount of Scholarship and Distribution Procedures

- a) Amount of Scholarship. The total amount of the Scholarship is RMB500,000 (after tax). Five outstanding young law students who have passed the formal selection process will each be awarded RMB100,000 (after tax).
- b) Distribution Procedures. The scholarship will be issued in a lump sum, after the winners officially enroll in the law school and provide relevant certificates, such as student ID card or screenshot of school registration information.

3 Eligibility Requirements

- a) Applicants should have graduated from an officially recognized university in China (including Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau) with a bachelor's degree or above and excellent academic records; and
- b) Applicants should either:
 - i. Have obtained an official admission letter for a formal law degree program starting in 2026 from a prestigious law school in mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan, and plan to engage in legal practice in mainland China after graduation; or

- ii. Have obtained an official admission letter for a J.D., LL.M., LL.B. or other equivalent degree program starting in 2026 from a prestigious foreign law school, and intend to return to mainland China to engage in legal practice upon completion of studies abroad.

4 Application Materials

Applicants who satisfy the eligibility requirements set forth in Section 3 shall submit their applications online to the Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship Application Office by May 30, 2026, and provide the following electronic materials:

- a) A duly completed and signed Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship Application Form (available for download on Han Kun's official website) together with the attached Consent Form for Collection of Personal Information;
- b) The applicant's CV in both Chinese and English (if the applicant has relevant legal work experience, a description of such work may also be submitted);
- c) The personal statement in Chinese by the applicant, which may include the applicant's views on legal practice in mainland China, study plans in law, career plans and specific professional goals after graduation (if any). There is no word limit for the personal statement. A personal statement prepared for university admission applications within the past six months may be used directly for this Scholarship application;
- d) Letters of recommendation (if any) from employers, supervisors, tutors or other relevant parties, which may be in Chinese or English and in hard copy or email format. Letters of recommendation prepared for university admission applications within the past six months may be used directly for this Scholarship application;
- e) A copy of the official admission letter for a formal degree program from a prestigious law school in mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan or abroad, or a screenshot of the admission list published on the school's official website;
- f) Copies of the applicant's graduation certificates, degree certificates and academic transcripts for undergraduate and postgraduate (if any) studies. If submission at the time of application is inconvenient, the materials may be submitted before the second-round interview;
- g) Copies of certificates, honors or awards related to legal practice obtained by the applicant (e.g., debate competitions, moot courts, prize-winning legal papers, exchange programs between Chinese and foreign law schools, etc.) (if any); and
- h) Copies of published legal articles (if any) by the applicant in professional newsletters and journals.

5 Selection Process

- a) The Scholarship Review Committee shall consist of several renowned legal experts in China and senior lawyers of Han Kun.
- b) The Scholarship Review Committee shall conduct a comprehensive preliminary review of the written materials submitted by applicants. Applicants who pass the preliminary review will go through first-round and second-round interviews and other assessment procedures to determine the final recipients of the Scholarship. The final list of awardees will be announced via Han Kun's official WeChat account by the end of August 2026.
- c) The formats and specific schedules of the first-round and second-round interviews referred to in paragraph (b) above will be notified separately according to the actual situation.
- d) The time and format of the 2026 Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship Award Ceremony will be announced separately according to the actual situation.

6 Submission of Application Materials

Please send all electronic application materials for the Scholarship to the dedicated email address: scholarship@hankunlaw.com by May 30, 2026. The email subject line shall be labeled as: "Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship Application Materials + Full Name of Applicant".

7 Special Instructions

In line with the purpose of the Han Kun Youth Legal Scholarship, awardees shall sign a Letter of Commitment after receiving the Scholarship. The awardee undertakes that if any of the following circumstances occurs, he or she shall return the Scholarship to Han Kun or donate the Scholarship to public welfare activities:

- a) Failing to attend or complete the master's or doctoral program for which the Scholarship is applied and obtain the relevant degree and graduation certificate;
- b) Failing to return to mainland China to engage in legal practice within one year after graduation.

If any of the above circumstances occurs, the awardee shall notify Han Kun in writing within 15 days upon the occurrence of such circumstance and consult with Han Kun on the handling of the Scholarship fund.

Notes:

1. Han Kun Law Offices **reserves the right of final interpretation** with respect to these application rules and procedures.
2. For related questions, please refer to the "Scholarship Application FAQs" (<https://www.hankunlaw.com/portal/list/index/id/15.html>)
3. Han Kun Law Offices is entitled to adjust the number of winners based on the number of applicants

each year.

4. Any adjustment to these application procedures will be immediately published on the official Han Kun Law Offices website.