

# Marshall School

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## **Social Entrepreneurship, Justice, and Law Scholars Program**

*Inspiring lifelong learners to embrace challenge and create positive change.*

The Marshall School is committed to offering learning experiences that align with students' interests, strengths, and passions, equipping them to become leaders who create positive change within their communities. The Social Entrepreneurship, Justice, and Law Scholars Program empowers students to deepen their self-awareness, identify community needs, and create sustainable social enterprise rooted in justice and international law. Through this program, students learn how their passion and leadership can serve as the foundation for creating meaningful change and shape their future career paths.

### **The Scholars Program offers participants the opportunity to:**

- Explore international law to gain a deeper understanding of the social and legal contracts we have committed to uphold within society
- Learn about social entrepreneurship and how entrepreneurs can align their passions with a commitment to creating positive change
- Build meaningful relationships with and receive mentorship from community leaders
- Reflect on their experiences and share their insights with others

### **Eligible Candidates**

- Students can apply for the SEJL Scholars Program in the spring of their sophomore or junior year. Students will be accepted into the program annually.
- Students must be in good academic standing to be eligible.

### **Enhanced Curricular Requirements**

In addition to Marshall School course of study requirements for all students, students participating in the SEJL Scholars Program are required to:

- Take the following courses:
  - Course: Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship - Leading with Purpose
  - Course: Applied Social Entrepreneurship
  - One of the following courses:
    - SEJL iTerm course
    - Women's Studies
    - African American Studies
- Have a formative experience in SEJL such as:
  - Attend a SEJL-related conference
  - Create/advise a SEJL-focused student club
  - Be a year-long member of the DEIB Working Group
  - Participate in the MN Department of Education Scholars of Distinction Program (Cultural Studies or Social Studies options)

- Propose and be approved to teach a SEJL-related iTerm course
- Interview and write a biography of a community organizer, social entrepreneur, or other justice-related professional
- Complete Service Learning
  - Participate in at least 40 hours of service learning with mentorship provided by community leaders

### **Program Completion**

Upon successful completion of the enhanced curricular requirements, participants will earn a special recognition as a SEJL Scholar both at graduation and on their official Marshall School transcript. Students participating in the program will have it designated on their transcript upon admission to the program.

### **Opportunities and Benefits**

Students enrolled in the Law, Social Entrepreneurship, and Justice Scholars Program are dedicated, community-oriented individuals. As young innovators, they recognize their strengths, actively pursue opportunities for growth and learning, and aspire to leverage their careers not only to achieve personal success, but also to drive positive social change for themselves and their communities. These students are solution-oriented changemakers working toward liberation for all, grounded in the belief that true freedom can only be realized when it is shared by everyone.