

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

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Activities since Conference:

Since the conference, the Scholarships and Awards Committee leadership has transferred to me, and so much of this time has been spent reviewing documents provided by Julie Lavigne (past Chair), and reviewing the CALL/ACBD website, specifically for necessary updates to website text and award nomination forms. These updates have been sent to National Office.

A subcommittee has also started to review the criteria for the awards under this committee's purview and tracking necessary or desirable updates or changes. When this is complete, changes will be sent to the appropriate people.

We have also had one application deadline and decision since the conference. The August deadline for the James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship was decided in favour of Hannah Rosborough for her continuing professional development activities.

The Law Via the Internet Conference was announced for November 2023, but did not come to the attention of this committee until late October. The initial publicity for the conference appears to have been released in September 2023. No CALL members approached the association or our committee regarding the Janine Miller Fellowship. It is my hope that if this conference runs again in 2024, that the announcement will be made with greater time before the event itself so that we can promote both the conference and the Janine Miller Fellowship.

Ongoing activities/new special projects:

In addition to reviewing the committee mandate and award criteria for any possible updates, we will be arranging a meeting with Thomson Reuters to discuss the Laprise and Silverstein awards. There was an indication from previous committee correspondence that this was something Thomson Reuters was interested in, and with few nominations for these awards, it will be useful to gauge our partner's feelings about these awards going forward.

Promotion will be starting soon for the next two award deadlines (the Diana M. Priestly Memorial Scholarship and the first James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship), so performing a final review of the documents and information for that award, and the promotional schedule and copy, will be taking place in November.

Any considerations/questions for the executive board:

None at this time. When our review of the Committee mandate and award criteria is complete, it is likely that we will have items to come to the Executive Board for approval, which we will do through Alexia.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Walker