**JD Grants Committee 2024-2025**

**Other Funding Sources for Student Events**

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For some local events, the JD Grants Committee encourages organizers to seek funding from additional sources. These events include symposia, conferences, seminars, and other events that may cost more than the committee can fund on its own. Occasionally, it is possible to find outside funding for travel, particularly to provide pro bono services.

Use of the building to host events for the general public or the entire student body will be limited outside of regular business hours and on weekends because of security and custodial services. If your event falls in the evening or weekend, you must seek approval from Jini Jasti, Associate Dean for External Affairs and Alumni Relations, before reserving the space. Her email address is [jini.jasti@wisc.edu](mailto:jini.jasti@wisc.edu).

The university has very strict rules regarding fundraising and trademarks. If your organization is considering a fundraising activity, including selling merchandise, you must make sure that your plans do not violate any of the university’s rules. You *must* contact Dean Jasti *before* doing any fundraising or ordering any merchandise.

The following list provides the additional or alternate sources most commonly used to fund events sponsored by UW law students. This list is not complete, but it does indicate the range of sources available.

The JD Grants Committee is the only funding source within the Law School for student events except for the Student Bar Association and other law student organizations. Do not seek additional funding from Law School programs, departments, faculty, or administrators. Any amount received from these other Law School sources will be subtracted from the grant approved by the committee.

Be sure to check with each source you contact about limitations on the use of funds. For example, some funding sources will not allow you to take donations, sell tickets, or charge other admission fees. Some sources do not provide funding for activities in which students earn academic credit. Some sources will not pay for food and beverages, and most sources will not pay for alcohol.

1. **Funding Sources in the Law School**

* Student Bar Association (SBA)
* Other law student organizations

1. **Funding Sources on the UW Campus**

* Associated Students of Madison (ASM)
* Other UW student organizations
* Lectures Committee
* Multicultural Student Center
* Wisconsin Experience Grant
* Other UW Madison departments or programs (e.g., an Innovation Grant from the Office of the Vice-Provost and Chief Diversity Officer)

1. **Other Funding Sources**

* Ticket sales and/or registration fees
* Community organizations
* State Bar of Wisconsin
* Cash gifts, donations, or gifts in kind
* Merchandise sales

\*\* Confirm with Associate Dean Jasti that all merchandise meets university trademark requirements before you order it. \*\*

Note: Over the summer, Carlie Wiseley will become the Law School’s new Student Life and Engagement Manager. She will assume some of the responsibilities related to fundraising and merchandising by student organizations. An updated version of this document will be posted when Ms. Wiseley assumes these duties.