

SCHOOL OF LAW SCHOLARSHIP 2020

Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL)

To enter for the £2,000 scholarship, please submit a 1,000 maximum word answer to this question:

Under the Suicide Act 1961, in England and Wales committing suicide or assisting or encouraging another to do so, is a crime. Other jurisdictions, among them several European countries, have enacted legislation that means these actions are not crimes in these jurisdictions.

In your essay, argue either for or against legal change under which assisting or encouraging suicide would no longer be a crime in England and Wales.

To enter, you must have accepted your place on the GDL for 2020–21 by Monday 3rd August 2020. Send your answer by email to law@brookes.ac.uk.

The deadline to submit your answer is **12:00 Monday 10 August 2020**.

Terms and Conditions

1. Entries will be judged by Oxford Brookes University Law School academic staff against the following criteria:
 - The ability to present a well-reasoned argument.
 - The ability to produce a succinct, coherent, and well-structured essay.
 - Good grammar, spelling, and punctuation.
 - The ability to write about legal issues in a way that is accessible to a reader who may not be a legal professional.
2. There is a strict 1,000 word limit (excluding footnotes). Only the first 1,000 words of an essay will be marked.
3. The Scholarship award is worth £2,000 and is to be used towards payment of course fees for a student who enrolls on the GDL at Oxford Brookes University in the academic year 2020-21.
4. Entries must be received by the School of Law by midday on Monday 10th August 2020. All entries must be submitted by email to: law@brookes.ac.uk. Entries sent to the wrong email address or received after the closing date/time will not be considered.
5. To be eligible to enter the competition, you must have accepted a place on the GDL at Oxford Brookes commencing in 2020–21 on or by Monday 3rd August 2020. Entrants accepting their place after this date will not be considered. Entrants may have accepted an offer to study either on the full time GDL 2020-21 or the part time GDL 2020-22.

6. The sum of £2,000 will be offset against course fees. No cash alternative is available. The Scholarship is not transferable to another individual or academic year.
7. If the successful candidate does not take up his or her place on the course, the Scholarship will be awarded to the next highest-scoring candidate.
8. The successful entrant will be notified directly on or by Wednesday 19th August 2020. The School of Law is unable to acknowledge individual entries. The decision of the judging panel is final and individual correspondence regarding the decision will not be entered into. The School of Law is unable to return entries after judging has taken place.
9. The successful entrant must be willing to participate in further promotional activity as requested by the University.
10. Scholarship submissions must be the entrants' own work and any sources used should be fully referenced. Any proven form of plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification from enrolment and/or continuance in the GDL. The University may put work through Turnitin. Entrants must attach the following declaration to their work:

I confirm that the work submitted here is entirely my own work and has not been plagiarised.

Signed.....

Dated.....

11. Candidates who have secured full financial sponsorship for the GDL are not eligible to participate. Entrants who subsequently obtain financial sponsorship will not be eligible. For candidates who obtain partial financial sponsorship for the GDL, the value of any Scholarship award will be reduced to the value of fees remaining due. Brookes' alumni who are awarded a 10% discount off course fees will have that amount deducted before application of the £2,000 Scholarship.
12. University employees and their immediate families are not eligible to submit an entry.