You want to make a difference. We want to help.

At AccessLex Institute, we believe in an outcome-driven approach to grantmaking — supporting projects that have the potential to “move the needle” in legal education.

Whether with a national focus or a more localized effort that may be efficiently scaled across institutions or regions for greater impact, AccessLex Institute seeks proposals that address the most critical issues facing legal education today: improving access for all students, with an emphasis on historically underrepresented minority students and students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds; increasing affordability; and strengthening the value of a legal degree. Measurement and evaluation are essential components for demonstrating the effectiveness and scalability of interventions and are key factors when deciding what proposals are funded.

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Grant Programs and Partnerships

**Directed Grant Program**
A proactive approach to our grantmaking strategy, this program supports research and projects that are highly aligned with AccessLex Institute’s most pressing research priorities and strategic goals.

**Research and Dissertation Fellows Program**
A partnership between AccessLex and the Association for Institutional Research (AIR), this program is designed to promote scholarship on issues related to access, affordability and the value of legal education specifically, and graduate and professional education more broadly.

**Diversity Pipeline Research Grant Program**
This program annually awards grants to projects that strive to directly enhance access to legal education for students from diverse backgrounds.

**Unsolicited Grant Program**
This biannual program funds new and innovative projects and research that further AccessLex Institute’s research priorities.

**Bar Success Research Grant Program**
This program supports well-designed studies of the bar exam that seek to inform efforts to increase passage rates, particularly among populations most at-risk of not passing on the first attempt.

**Financial Education Research Grant**
This grant program supports innovative projects focused on financial education curriculum development, high-impact delivery methods, optimizing resource utilization, and outcomes assessment.