

First Nations Metis and Inuit Scholarship list (updated November 2019)

FALL AND WINTER APPLICATION DEADLINES			
Scholarship/Award	Description	Apply Before	Receive up to
Aboriginal Traditional Arts Project Grant	The grant supports the development of Aboriginal artists, or artists working on Aboriginal cultural themes, who seek to express and share Aboriginal culture and perspectives in a contemporary or traditional context	September 1 and March 2	\$15,000
Wayne Wells Memorial Scholarship	Must be enrolled in a finance or management program full time at a post-secondary institution OR must be enrolled in part-time studies working towards a professional accounting designation while employed. The applicant must be Aboriginal (Status, Non-Status, Inuit or Metis) and must be a resident of Alberta for the past 3 years.	September 30	\$1,000
Robert C. Carson Memorial Bursary	Awarded to Aboriginal students without sponsorship enrolled full-time in their second year of the Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Diploma or Faculty of Law programs at Lethbridge Community College, Mount Royal College, MacEwan University , University of Calgary or University of Alberta.	October 1	\$500
Jim Pattison Broadcast Group Alberta Equity Scholarship	This scholarship is intended for broadcast students in groups underrepresented in the broadcast industry, including Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and women.	October 10	\$2,000
AltaLink Aboriginal Scholarship Program	This scholarship program is designed to recognize leaders in the Aboriginal community by offering scholarships to Aboriginal students attending post-secondary institutions.	October 15	\$1,000
Art L'Herondelle Dedicated Service Scholarship	Awarded to students pursuing construction-related education opportunities. The scholarship is open to all Aboriginal students, with a preference for Metis students, who are enrolled in a post-secondary training program.	October 31	\$1,500
Delia Gray and Hon. Pearl Calahasen Scholarships	The scholarships are open to all Aboriginal students, with a preference given to Metis students, who are enrolled in a post-secondary training program. The scholarships will be awarded at the annual Delia Gray Memorial Gala (November).	October 31	\$1,000

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Trans Alta Aboriginal Bursary Program	Up to 7 bursaries annually for Aboriginal students enrolled full time in a post-secondary program.	November 1	\$1,000
Gil Purcell Memorial Journalism Scholarship for Aboriginal Canadians	This scholarship is to be awarded to an Aboriginal Canadian who is enrolled at a Canadian post-secondary institution. The student must already be attending and must be either enrolled in a journalism program or actively involved with a news organization associated with the institution (such as a student newspaper or broadcast station).	November 15	\$4,000
Federal Department of Justice- Legal Studies for Aboriginal People	The objective of the Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program is to promote equitable representation of Aboriginal people in the legal profession. This funding is only available to Metis and Non-Status Indians who wish to attend a Canadian Law School (Apply through Indspire)	November 16	Amounts are variable
Joe P. Cardinal Bursary/Internship Award Aboriginal Multi-Media Society (AMMSA)	This bursary is intended to assist students in 2nd or subsequent years of a degree program in radio broadcasting or journalism. The student must be FNMI, in second year or beyond and able to participate in a 4 week internship at AMMSA at the completion of the school year.	November 30	\$10,000
CN Diversity Scholarships	Through its revised Scholarships Program, CN will offer grants to support the post-secondary education of women, military veterans and people of Aboriginal heritage in Canada. As part of this program, and to support its hiring needs, CN will sponsor these deserving, best-in-class students enrolled in programs relevant to CN's core business.	December 31	\$3,000
Alberta Blue Cross Scholarships for Aboriginal students	Every year, Alberta Blue Cross provides three scholarships for Aboriginal students. The awards are based on scholastic achievement in Alberta grade 12 diploma examinations, financial need and community involvement. The amount of the award varies according to the institution the student will be attending.	January 15	\$1,500
CASTS- Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists Award	Awarded to a post-secondary student entering the second year in a Geophysical or Geological program (at least 2 years in length) at an accredited institution (not necessarily in Canada).	January 31	\$1,000
Sam Bull Memorial Scholarship	For First Nations Alberta residents enrolled in Law or Political Science	February 15	\$1,000
Senator James Gladstone Memorial Scholarship	To recognize excellence and achievement by a Treaty Indian and to encourage and assist Treaty Indians in the pursuit of post-secondary education in the area of business, finance or economics.	February 15	\$1,000
RBC Aboriginal Student Awards Program	The RBC Aboriginal Student Awards Program was launched in 1992 to assist Aboriginal students to complete post-secondary education, and provide an opportunity for RBC to strengthen its relationship with the Aboriginal community.	February 28	\$4,000

SPRING/SUMMER APPLICATION DEADLINES

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Francis Meneen Health Warrior Memorial Scholarship	Applicants must be a member of Treaty 8 and intend to provide health care services within Treaty 8 following his or her studies. Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta includes parts of Northern Alberta, Northwest Saskatchewan, North Eastern British Columbia and the southwest portion of Northwest Territories.	March 21	\$1,500
Belcourt Brousseau Metis Awards	Since 2002, these awards have provided more than \$4.5 million related to over 1000 awards to more than 700 Metis Albertans studying at institutions across Alberta and beyond, making it the largest non-governmental source of student funding for Metis students in Canada	March 31	\$10,000
The Rebecca Kelln Metis Bursary Fund	Apeetogosan (Metis) Development Inc. will provide six need-based \$1,000 bursaries to any qualifying Metis individuals who are entering their first year of Post-secondary education.	April 30	\$1,000
Aboriginal Health Careers Bursary	To improve the health status of Aboriginal Albertans by increasing the number of aboriginals working in Alberta's health system	May 1	\$11,000
SABAR Scholarship in Journalism, Radio and Television Art	SABAR offers an annual scholarship to an Aboriginal student in Journalism or Radio/Television Arts.	May 16	\$5,000
Metis and Non-Status Bursary Program	The Ministry of Human Services may be able to help you pay for your post-secondary education in the social services field. Bursaries from Human Services area available for full time or part time studies that are either Metis or Non-Status Indian.	May 31	\$19,400
Husky Oil-Aboriginal Education Awards Program	The award provides financial assistance for Aboriginal people to complete their educational program and is also intended to encourage a career in the oil and gas industry.	May 31	\$5,000
Theodore R. Campbell Scholarship	Established by the family of Ted R. Campbell through Alberta Scholarship Programs to reward the accomplishments of an aboriginal student from Blue Quills First Nations College. Applicants must be Alberta residents and have completed the first year of an Education degree (university transfer) at Blue Quills First Nations College.	June 1	\$1,500
Aboriginal Business Leadership Awards	Available to students who are SStatus Indian, Inuit, Metis, or Non-Status Indian, and who is a resident of Alberta and enrolled in a program leading to a Certificate, Diploma or Degree in a business or commerce program.	June 15	\$1,500
Cold Lake Operations Scholarship	Imperial Oil provides scholarships to members of First Nations or Metis communities in the Cold Lake and surrounding areas to provide the education and technical skills related to employment at the Cold Lake operations.	June 30	\$1,000

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ConocoPhillips Aboriginal Awards Program	Applicants must be of Aboriginal ancestry and enrolled in academic upgrading, college or technical institute, or university program full-time, and in need of financial assistance.	June 30	\$3,000
Imperial Oil Indigenous education awards program	Applicants must be enrolled in a post-secondary institution in the petroleum industry career path. Applicants must also be a member of one of the following communities: Beaver Lake Cree Nation, Cold Lake First Nation, Frog Lake First Nation, Heart Lake First Nation, Kehewin Cree Nation, Saddle Lake Cree Nation, Whitefish Lake First Nation, Buffalo Lake Metis Association, Elizabeth Metis Association, Kikino Metis Settlement and Metis Nation of Alberta Region 2.	June 30	\$1,000
Syncrude Aboriginal and Women Education Awards Program	Through significant endowments and scholarships at several Alberta education institutions, Syncrude supports hundreds of students pursuing studies in a variety of fields. Many of the awards are prioritized for Aboriginal and northern Alberta recipients.	June 30	\$2,000
Alliance Pipeline Inc. Aboriginal Student Awards Program	Applications will be accepted from active members of an aboriginal community (band or settlement) who are residents of British Columbia, Alberta or Saskatchewan and are enrolled in, or have applied to, a technical school, college or university program relevant to becoming employed in the oil and gas industry.	July 1	\$2,000
Jim Bourque Scholarship	The Jim Bourque Scholarship is awarded to a Canadian Aboriginal student who intends to or is enrolled in post-secondary training in Education, Environmental studies, Traditional knowledge or Telecommunications.	July 15	\$1,000
Norman Taylor Memorial-Aboriginal Financial Management Scholarship and Bursary program	Full time Aboriginal students in university or college, preferably in business, management or finance related programs. Four \$1000 bursaries are awarded annually.	July 27	\$1,000
ATCO Pipelines Aboriginal Education Awards Program	Aimed at supporting Aboriginal students who live close to ATCO facilities (Alberta only), these awards, bursaries and scholarships are awarded to select students who demonstrate leadership capabilities and strive to be role models in their schools and communities. Post-secondary and high school merit awards are available.	August 1	\$500 - \$1,500
Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Inc. Aboriginal Education Partnership Program	This scholarship provides full tuition to the recipient for his or her attendance at a post-secondary institution to a maximum of five years for a university program and three years for a college or technical institute program.	August 15	Amounts are variable
Norman Wells Operations Sahtu Aboriginal Scholarship	Imperial provides scholarships to the members of the Sahtu region in the Northwest Territories near the Norman Wells operations. Scholarships are awarded each year to Sahtu beneficiaries pursuing undergraduate post-secondary studies in disciplines relevant to the Norman Wells operations.	August 31	\$4,500

VARIABLE APPLICATION DEADLINES

Northern Alberta Development Council (NADC) FNMI bursary program	The student must agree to live and work in a northern Alberta community for one year full time in return for each year of bursary received. In addition, the student must be enrolled in a post-secondary program, not in default of a provincial loan, and show proof of aboriginal ancestry.	June 1 and November 15	\$6,000 - \$10,000
Genovus Energy Aboriginal Scholarship	Applicants must provide proof of Aboriginal ancestry and be enrolled full time at an accredited postsecondary institution. Up to 10 scholarships available annually.	Varies	\$3,500
CMF - Dr. John Big Canoe Memorial Scholarship	Awarded to an undergraduate Aboriginal student enrolled in the second, third or fourth year of study in a Canadian school of Medicine.	Varies	\$2,000
Education Bursary - Metis Nation of Alberta Region 1	Awarded to students who are enrolled in a post-secondary institution in Alberta, who hold a Metis Nation of Alberta Provincial Membership card, and who have parents or guardians residing in Region 1.	Varies	\$800
Helen Bassett Commemorative Student Award	Awards provided annually to 4 aboriginal women who are currently pursuing post-secondary studies, demonstrate financial need and are under 31 years of age.	Varies	\$1,000
Indigenous Careers Award	Applicants must be of FNMI/Indigenous ancestry, enrolled in a certificate, diploma or bachelor's degree program with a 60% full course load.	Varies	\$4,000
Indspire Building Brighter Futures	Numerous awards for First Nations, Metis, Inuit and Non-status students in : bachelors and diploma programs, health careers and apprenticeships, skilled trades and technology programs.	Varies	Varies
KPMG Indigenous Student Award Program	Applicants must be a Canadian Indigenous person, be enrolled full-time in an accredited post-secondary institution. Applicants must be pursuing studies in Business Administration, Public Administration, Accounting, Information Technology, Human Resources, Communications and Marketing (apply through Indspire)	Varies	\$1,500
Languages in Teacher Education Scholarship	This program is designed to award Alberta students enrolled in a recognized Alberta students enrolled in a recognized Alberta teacher preparation program taking courses that will allow them to teach languages (including Aboriginal languages) other than English in Alberta schools	Varies	\$2,500
TransCanada Aboriginal Awards Program	Awarded to full-time aboriginal students who will be enrolled at Mount Royal University. Criteria include: 1) academic proficiency 2) demonstrated involvement in the aboriginal community and 3) financial need.	Varies	Varies