THE CIRI FOUNDATION

Education Resources Handbook

Financial Aid Tips
Career Information
Scholarships & Grants
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Dear Reader:

The CIRI Foundation is a private foundation established by Cook Inlet Region, Inc. in 1982 to encourage the education and career development of Alaska Native original enrollees of Cook Inlet Region, Inc, their direct lineal descendants, and Alaska Native shareholders of Cook Inlet Region Inc. through post-secondary scholarships and grants, internships, and other education projects.

The Foundation publishes the Education Resources Handbook to provide education and career planning information for The Foundation’s beneficiaries as well as for others who are interested in pursuing a successful career after high school.

The handbook contains valuable information to assist in preparing to attend a post-secondary education program including financial aid, internship, fellowship, and training opportunities. In addition, there are reference materials about other educational support services at the post-secondary level.

As we enter 2019, we begin our 37th year of serving our people. The CIRI Foundation wishes you well on your learning journey. We are here to assist you along the path you take to fulfill your educational dreams.

Sincerely,

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Look for these boxes throughout the handbook. They are quotes from TCF Recipients!
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Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA)  
Alaska Native Scholarship Programs

With the passage of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) in 1971, Alaska Native communities were organized into several unique entities – many of whom provide scholarship and grant assistance for post-secondary education. Depending on your own family history, you may be eligible for scholarship and grant assistance from one or more of these entities.

It is important to understand the basic structure of these entities and their relationship to each other. Here is a brief description of these entities and how they are related:

**Regional Corporations (The regional “for-profit” entities.)** In general, these entities are the large, regional corporations that were created following the passage of ANCSA in 1971. Alaska Natives who were alive in 1971 had the opportunity to enroll as an individual shareholder into a regional corporation. These individuals are generally considered “Original Enrollees”. These regional corporate entities manage the resources of the region to the benefit of the shareholders. Many regional corporations have created separate foundations or organizations to provide scholarships and grants for post-secondary education.

- Examples: Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (ASRC); Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC); Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI); Doyon, Ltd.

**Regional Associations (The regional “non-profit” entities.)** Since 1971, most of the regional corporations have created separate non-profit entities that are focused on meeting the social service needs for the Alaska Native shareholders of the region. The focus areas for the non-profit entities often include services to meet the health, social service, educational, and housing needs of shareholders. In many regions, more than one non-profit entity was created by the regional corporation to meet these needs. It is important remember that these are separate from the regional corporations, but there is a direct relationship between the entities. Many regional associations provide scholarship and grant assistance.

- Examples: Arctic Slope Native Association (ASNA); Bristol Bay Native Association (BBNA); Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC); Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC).

**Regional Education Foundations** Many regional corporations created separate non-profit foundations or organizations to provide scholarships and grants for post-secondary education. These entities have specific eligibility requirements and application deadlines. Eligibility requirements may connect to shareholder status or the relationship of an applicant to an original enrollee of the regional corporation.

- Examples: Arctic Education Foundation; BBNC Education Foundation; The CIRI Foundation; Doyon Foundation.

**Village/Tribal Corporations** – In 1971 through the passage of ANCSA, over 270 Alaska Native village corporations were created. Many Alaska Natives alive in 1971 enrolled in a village corporation in addition to a regional corporation. The village corporations manage the resources of the village to benefit shareholders. There may be many different village corporations within a single regional corporation.

- Examples: Ukpeagvik Inupiat, Corporation (Utqiagvik); Choggiung. Ltd (Dillingham); Eklutna, Inc. (Eklutna); and Hungwitchin Corporation (Eagle).

**Traditional/IRA Councils** – The Bureau of Indian Affairs recognizes several unique Alaska Native tribal councils established through the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) of 1934. The Traditional IRA Councils were created to establish local, self-governance on a tribal basis.

- Examples: Native Village of Barrow (Barrow); Curyung Tribal Council (Dillingham); Native Village of Eklutna (Eklutna); and Native Village of Eagle (Eagle).
Planning for Success

Attending college is a big decision. There are many factors to consider and choices to be made. Planning for success takes time. You should ask several questions when developing an educational plan. The *Educational Resources Handbook* is designed to help find the answers.

- Why is attending college or taking post-secondary courses of study worth the effort?
- Which type of school is right for me?
- What do I want to study?
- Where do I find out about funding for school?
- What types of financial aid are available for schooling?
- What other resources are available in planning for post-secondary courses of study or employment?

I: Education Pays

Students often ask, "Is it worth attending college or taking post-secondary courses of study?" In response, consider the following points:

- Higher education degree increases his/her earning potential and job opportunities. In fact, it has been said that based upon lifetime earnings, a person who graduates from college earns 60% more than those who have only a high school diploma.
- The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the fastest growing jobs will be those requiring high levels of education and skill.
- People with a higher education are less likely to be unemployed than those without one.
- A person who attends college or a trade school develops a particular skill or talent, and their ability to think critically and analytically improves.
- Provides an expanded understanding of the world and its people, thus enhancing a person’s character.
- Provides a greater sense of accomplishment, enhances self-esteem, and contributes to personal self-fulfillment.

The United States Department of Labor provides additional facts and figures in the *Occupational Outlook Handbook*. The Handbook provides information about different jobs, required training and education, earnings, expected job prospects, job description and working conditions. The Handbook also provides job search tips, links to information about the job market in each State, and more. Visit their website at [www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh).
II: Which School is Right for Me?

Choosing the “right” school may be the most important decision in the planning process, and there are several factors to consider when making it. We recommend that you consider talking with people whose opinion you respect during this process.

The National Center for Educational Statistics is a great tool for locating and comparing schools online at www.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cool. The center provides various statistics for students to utilize in determining which school to go to and the steps one should consider prior to attending college. Students can build a list of schools with side-by-side comparisons, tips on preparing for post-secondary education, and how to prepare for education beyond high school.

Types of Post-Secondary Institutions

Post-secondary education institutions may be classified in the following ways:

Public Institutions
Public schools and colleges are funded primarily by state and/or local governments.

Private Institutions
Private institutions are privately funded by organizations, individual bequests, and student fees. Generally, tuition is higher at a private school or college than at a public institution.

Community Colleges
Community colleges, also known as junior colleges, offer certificate and two-year degree programs. Some offer programs that train for special skills such as dental technology, practical nursing, or diesel mechanics. Many also offer “transfer” programs for those who want to go on to a four-year degree college or university.

State College and Universities
Every state has its own four-year institutions, many of which offer advanced programs in business, health, sciences, and law. The schools range widely in size and in type of programs offered. Consult the school’s catalogue for more details. The state, tuition, fees, and donors fund these schools.

Tribal Colleges and Universities
Provides access to post-secondary education, accredited degrees, and vocational training for both Indian and non-Indian students. Most are located on or near Indian reservations. Culture and tradition are a part of the curricula. For a list of Tribal Colleges, see pages 52-53.

Private Junior Colleges
Junior colleges are funded by private contributions and tuition fees. They do not admit everyone who applies. Programs are usually two-year “transfer” type programs.

Vocational Training Institutions
Privately owned or state run training institutions that offer post-secondary training at varying levels. May offer certificates or degrees. Credits may or may not be transferable. These schools are funded by the state, tuition fees, and donors.

Private, For-Profit Colleges/Universities
Educational institutions operated by private, profit-seeking businesses. They may offer flexible courses and schedules that are appealing to adult learners and working students. Students enrolled in for-profit colleges who transfer to non-profit colleges should be sure that their credits will transfer from one school to another.

Online Programs
Online programs are often structured as self-paced courses and may allow working students to complete coursework on a more convenient schedule. Online programs may open educational access to individuals living in remote areas that lack access to traditional brick-and-mortar schools. They may be available through traditional non-profit colleges and universities as well as for-profit institutions.
Selection Criteria

Evaluate which school or schools may be suitable to your educational goals by considering the following criteria:

- What is the total cost of tuition, supplies, other required fees, and books?
- Does the school offer the academic program or classes that will (a) prepare you for a career and (b) satisfy your learning interests? Does the school provide adequate student support services – academic counseling, tutoring, close teacher-student interaction, work experience, extra-curricular activities (sports, drama, music, etc.)?
- Is the size of the school (and class size) suitable to your preferences?
- Are the courses of high quality? Will they adequately prepare you for the field? Will the credits transfer to other institutions? Is the curriculum up-to-date?
- Is the location of the school satisfactory?
- What is the school's graduation rate? What is the school's dropout rate?
- What measures are taken to ensure the safety of the students?
- Is there campus housing and meal programs? What does it cost?
- What is the school’s atmosphere regarding a diverse student body?
- To what extent does the school offer student financial aid?
- Does the school have a placement service for its graduating students? If so, how does it assist the student in finding employment?
- Is the institution accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education?
- Is the school authorized to operate? The authorizing agency in Alaska is the Alaska Commission on Post-secondary Education.

III: Which Program of Study is Right for Me?

Students enrolling in a post-secondary education program have to make important decisions regarding their ultimate educational and career goals. There are a number of degree program options to consider when thinking about your future career and your personal commitment to your own education. When making a decision to pursue a specific degree program, you should consider your own unique situation and assess your personal level of interest, available funding for your education and the time required to complete the coursework. Your future career goals may also give direction to what degree(s) you should pursue.

- Career Diploma/Certificate: In general, approximately 2-9 months to complete.
- Vocational Training Program: Approximately 2-18 months to complete.
- Associate Degree: 2-year degree program.
- Bachelor's Degree: 4-year degree program, although some institutions may allow you to have it done in less time.
- Master's Degree: 1-3 year degree program after earning a Bachelor's Degree.
- Doctoral Degree: 7-9 year degree program after earning a Bachelor's Degree.

IV: What Do I Need to Do?

For prospective students, the following steps will provide an idea of the timeline and steps required to plan for attending college.

The important and consistent fact is that it takes TIME to prepare to enroll in a degree program in college, in occupational training, or in selected courses of study. Below is an example of a planning cycle for anyone who wants to make the most of the opportunities in preparation for attending college.

Note: Keep an eye out for college preparation and scholarship programs that are offered based on participation in junior high and high school programs. Review High School Education and Scholarship Programs in this handbook.
What to Do and When to Do It

**March – June**
- If you are in high school, talk to school counselors and parents about the financial aid required for your college experience and consider taking an SAT II Subject Test.
- Create a free Alaska Career Information System (AKCIS) portfolio and use it to explore career options, colleges, programs of study, and ways to pay for college. [www.acpe.alaska.gov/PLANNING/AKCIS](http://www.acpe.alaska.gov/PLANNING/AKCIS)

**Summer**
- Consider doing volunteer work, internships, or getting a job. If you are a high school student, consider taking summer school courses to boost your GPA or to get ahead in your studies.
- Consider taking a course to prepare for the SAT.

**September – December**
- Attend college fairs, open houses, and programs about college admissions. Get a “feel” for the different colleges and take tours, if possible.
- Identify the criteria important for you in selecting which school to attend (ex. Is the availability of certain clubs or programs a must-have?). Gather specific information (catalogues) about colleges of interest to you and the availability of financial aid.
- Review your grades with a guidance counselor to get an idea of how selective your college choices may be.
- If you are in high school, obtain leadership experience by joining clubs or taking part in school activities.

**February – May**
- If you are in high school, register for the spring SAT 1 or ACT.
- Make campus visits and interview the faculty, admissions staff, and students. Attend college fairs.
- Request college application forms from colleges you are interested in.
- Take the SAT II Subject Test.
- If you are interested, request ROTC program or U.S. military academy applications.

**September – October**
- Research deadlines for scholarships, grants, admissions applications, and financial aid. Create a calendar to make sure you apply on time.
- Submit applications.
- If you are in high school, get test schedules for SAT, SAT II, ACT, and I. Note deadlines and dates.
- Prepare personal essays, resumes, and request teacher recommendations for your personal portfolio.
- Complete/submit early decision and early action applications. Most deadlines for these are November 1st. Keep copies of your applications.
- Narrow list of potential colleges and discuss your options with parents and guidance counselors.

**November – December**
- Research financial aid that you may be eligible for.
- Complete/submit college applications for regular deadlines.
- Get/submit major financial aid application forms.
- Complete/Submit financial aid forms such as the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

**January**
- Complete/Submit state aid application. State of Alaska loans take 2-3 months to be processed.
- Contact your high school guidance office and potential post-secondary institutions to identify any special scholarships/grants that you may be eligible for.
- Contact Tribal and Alaska Native non-profit organizations to find out whether you may be eligible and request applications. Search other Native American/American Indian scholarships that you may be eligible to apply for.

**March – May**
- Receive acceptance/rejection letters from schools you have applied to, and discuss your options with guidance counselors and parents.
- Make a decision on which school to attend.
- Send acceptance letter to the school that you plan to attend by the school’s deadline.
- Submit your scholarship application to The CIRI Foundation and/or other sources of financial aid funding.
- Take the Advanced Placement (AP) Tests.
- Request/send final official transcripts to the school you plan to attend.

**June – August**
- Attend freshmen orientation camp/sessions.
- Make payments by deadlines.
- **Begin school!**
V: What is Financial Aid?

Financial aid, in its simplest definition, is financial assistance intended to aid students in reaching their educational goals. This assistance may come in a variety of forms such as grants, scholarships, work-study, and loan programs.

Types of Financial Aid

Financial aid is defined as scholarships, grants, loans and work-study that provides money for a student to attend college or obtain technical skills training. There are six types of financial aid a student may be eligible to apply for.

1. Grants  
   “Gifts” of money that do not have to be paid back.
2. Scholarships  
   Grants of money to students based upon the particular eligibility requirements of the scholarship program. Scholarship programs may be based primarily upon academic achievement, financial need, or both.
3. Tuition Waivers  
   The tuition requirement is “forgiven” by the institution; the student does not have to pay any or only a portion of the tuition cost.
4. Work-Study Programs  
   Provides the student the opportunity to work and earn money for schooling. Available through most colleges.
5. Special Discounts  
   The school may offer special discounts based on criteria determined by the school.
6. Loans  
   Borrowed money that must be repaid with interest by the student. The federal and state governments have student loan programs as well as lending institutions such as banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations.

VI: Financial Plan for School

The following are items students will need to know when calculating the cost to attend college.

1. Cost of Attending  
   This includes tuition, required fees, books, supplies, on-campus housing, and on-campus meal plans (if living away from home).
2. Expected Family Contribution  
   This is the amount of funds the student will have to pay for the cost of attending the school including student’s personal contribution and parents’ contribution. This figure comes from the FAFSA.
3. Financial Need  
   This is the difference between the Cost of Attending School and the Expected Family Contribution.

Cost of Attendance at School

The cost to attend college or other post-secondary education schools is made up of several expenses for which student financial aid may be available. They include the following:

1. Direct Education Costs: Tuition, fees for registration, parking, lab requirements, books, and supplies.
2. Indirect Education Costs: Room rent, meals, personal expenses, transportation, etc.

Through continued collaboration and development, we can successfully work together for the betterment of the Alaska Native and broader community during these rapidly changing economic times.
Financial Need

Suggested procedure to aid students in preparing a financial plan for college:
1. Determine where you will attend college.
2. Determine the cost of attendance for the college.
3. Determine the total funding resources available from you, the student, and/or your parents.
4. Identify funding resource opportunities to offset your financial need.
5. Obtain and complete applications for student federal financial aid, scholarships, and grants. Consider applying for work-study. Then, ONLY IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, consider applying for a student loan from the federal and/or state programs or private lenders such as banks, credit unions, or savings and loan associations.
6. Keep a copy of all of your applications for your files and send the completed application for processing by the funding agency or organization.
7. Contact the funding source/s about the status of your application/s.
8. Report the outcome of your financial aid to the school through the financial aid office in order to keep your education expense account current. Keep track of all the funding assistance you receive.
9. Consider vacation-time employment or other temporary work to build up personal earnings/savings for the next term of schooling.
10. Keep personal records of your financial aid awards. The 1986 Federal Income Tax Law categorizes the amount of scholarship awards used for the cost of room and meals as taxable income which must be reported by the student on his/her income tax forms filed with the Internal Revenue Services (IRS). Visit www.irs.gov for more information.
11. Investigate education tax credits for which you may be qualified for on your annual IRS income tax form.

Formula for Financial Need

Financial “Need” is calculated as: Cost of Attendance - Expected Family Contribution = Financial “Need”.

The Financial “Need” must be solved by the identification of additional resources from grants, scholarships, work-study, and loan programs in order to pay for the cost of attending college. A sample budget format is shown in the chart below. Students may want to follow it in order to calculate educational cost of attendance, expected family contribution and financial need.

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**AMOUNT NEEDED**
(Total Expenses - Total Sources)
VII: Where Do I Find Out About Funding?

There are several ways in which students can find out about financial aid to attend college or to take post-secondary courses of study. Check on all of them!

- National Educational Opportunity and TRIO Centers funded by the U.S. Department of Education: in Alaska, contact TRIO Student Support Services, 3211 Providence Dr., Eugene Short Hall Suite 207, Anchorage, AK. PH: (907) 786-1380 or (907) 786-1378, www.uaa.alaska.edu/trio. Contact the nearest college student-counseling or financial aid office to find the Center nearest to you.
- High school student guidance counselor or counseling centers at your school.
- Financial aid office of the school or college where you are interested in attending.
- Grants and loans from a state higher education agency (see pages 12-13 for Alaska).
- Many Native organizations and foundations, such as The CIRI Foundation, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc., and tribal governments, have scholarships and/or grants.
- Go to the public library, look in the reference section on college financial aid or ask a librarian.
- Many companies and labor unions have scholarship programs for their employees, family members, or other students with financial need- check on those you and your family is affiliated with.
- Other foundations, religious organizations, fraternities or sororities, and clubs such as YMCA, American Legion, 4-H, Kiwanis, Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce, churches, etc..
- Organizations in your career field, such as: American Bar Association, American Medical Association, and National Educators Association.
- Look for products related to your career field. As an example, a healthcare professional may be eligible for opportunities with The Tylenol Future Care Scholarship program www.tylenol.com/news/scholarship.
- Search online using keywords. Searches can include many words or phrases. Be as specific as you can. Some examples include:
  o Alaska Native financial aid
  o Alaska Native American Indian scholarship grant
  o Alaska Native American Indian scholarship grant education
  o Alaska Native (specific tribe) scholarship
  o Alaska Native scholarship grant (career field)
  o Free database financial aid 2019
  o Free scholarship grant database

Education Information & Scholarship Databases

In addition to the aforementioned methods of finding out about financial aid, here are some websites that may help you learn more about funding your education, find additional opportunities, or getting help with the transition to college.

Alaska Native Student Network
https://www.facebook.com/Alaska-Native-Student-Network
Visit the Alaska Native Student Network on Facebook, a portal created on behalf of the ANCSA Education Consortium to provide a place for Alaska Native students and prospective students to start networking and share one another's experiences.

Bureau of Indian Education
www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/index.htm
Guide provides links to scholarship programs for American Indian and Alaska Native students in higher education. Amounts, deadlines, and eligibility requirements vary- check websites for details.
Chegg
www.chegg.com and www.chegg.com/scholarships
Chegg has discounted textbooks, tutors, and study tools available for students in addition to connecting applicants with online scholarship opportunities.

The Chronicle of Higher Education
www.chronicle.com
News and job information for college and university faculty members, administrators, and students is available online or in print.

College Choices for Adults
www.collegechoicesforadults.org
Blog provides information online and competency-based program to assist with determining whether the program will match professional and personal goals.

COLLEGEdata
www.collegedata.com
Choose, prepare, apply, and pay for college with advice and tools from CollegeData. After registering you have access to all CollegeData features and tools, including College Match, Scholarship Finder, College Net Cost Calculator, and Data Locker.

Degreed.com
www.degreed.com/for-me
Provides tools to track learning across multiple platforms and maximize skills that are necessary for completing one's education and finding work.

Educational Testing Service
www.ets.org
ETS’s mission is to advance quality and equity in education for all people worldwide through large-scale standardized testing. ETS also sells study guides for standardized tests like the GRE, PRAXIS, and TOEFL.

FAFSA
www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa
Electronically submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All students interested in financial aid for college should complete this form. Completion requires tax information or estimates from the prior-prior tax year (two years ago). The FAFSA can be completed in October for the following fall semester.

FinAid! & FastWeb
www.finaid.org and www.fastweb.com
Comprehensive site dedicated to providing guidance on financial aid to students and parents; including a scholarship search database with over 1.5 million opportunities.

GoCollege
www.gocollege.com
GoCollege is one of the oldest and most trusted online resources to guide students on how to finance and succeed in college. Includes information on types of colleges, admissions tips, and guides to figuring out how to pay for school.

Good Call
www.goodcall.com
Provides college, career, financial aid, and financial literacy services for students, and families; also includes a searchable scholarship database with filters for application difficulty, deadline, and competitiveness.

Kaplan, Inc.
www.kaplan.com
Provides test preparation materials and programs for a wide variety of standardized tests.

KnowHow2GO
knowhow2go.acenet.edu
User friendly site helps students prepare for college beginning in middle school, provides information about college, how to apply to a school and pay for it.

Mapping Your Future
mappingyourfuture.org
Provides college, career, financial aid, and financial literacy services for students, families, and schools. Materials are from credit counseling organization Money Management International.

The Princeton Review
www.princetonreview.com
Provides test preparation materials and programs for a wide variety of standardized tests, plus a college search database to help students research schools.

QuestBridge
www.questbridge.org
Connects high-achieving, low-income students with admission and full scholarships to 38 partner colleges, and offers several scholarship and scholar programs.

Scholarships.com
www.scholarships.com
An online database where you can browse available scholarships according to unique features, such as scholarships aimed at diversity or by major or program.

U.S. Department of Education
www.ed.gov
Find funding opportunities, financial aid information, plus research and statistics on U.S. education.

University of Alaska Anchorage
www.uaa.alaska.edu/scholarships/
Lists various scholarship information and links to the websites. Includes tips for writing personal profile scholarship essays.

USNews.com
www.usnews.com/education
Provides information about America’s best colleges of the current year, as well as tools and articles to help prepare for college.
VIII: Student Loan & Grant Programs

Student loans should be taken out with care because they are one form of debt that cannot be discharged through bankruptcy proceedings. However, with planning, student loans are investment in your future and can be used to make higher education possible. Work with your school’s financial aid office to understand all loan terms and conditions.

Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) | www.acpe.alaska.gov

ACPE provides low-cost student and family education loan programs in addition to an education grant. All of these programs were formerly listed as “AlaskaAdvantage.” ACPE updates programs annually—deadlines vary. Check website for current information.

- Alaska Advantage Education Grant
  A need-based grant for qualifying Alaska residents pursuing undergraduate study at participating post-secondary institutions in Alaska. Must complete FAFSA prior to April 15.

- Alaska Advantage Loan Programs
  A.W. “Winn” Brindle Memorial Education Loan
  A loan for full-time graduate or undergraduate students pursuing education in a fisheries related field. Forgiveness provisions may apply.

- Alaska Family Education Loan
  An education loan for family members assisting students with the costs of an eligible collegiate or vocational program.

- Alaska Supplemental Education Loan
  A low-cost education loan for students attending a participating collegiate or vocational school at least half-time in Alaska, or for Alaska residents attending outside Alaska.

- Alaska Teacher Education Loan
  A loan for Alaska high school graduates (or GED) interested in pursuing a teaching career in rural communities. Forgiveness provisions may apply. Only available to nominations submitted by rural school districts.

- Michael Murphy Education Loan
  A loan for students pursuing undergraduate study in a law-enforcement field.

Professional Student Exchange Program

- Eligible applicants must be enrolled at an eligible institution in one of the following fields of study: dentistry, occupational therapy, optometry, physician assistant, podiatry, pharmacy, physical therapy.

With the loan program, the student pays resident tuition and the students’ home state pays an additional support fee to the institution. Alaska students are individually responsible for paying tuition and the support fee. ACPE finances the support fee costs in the form of a PSEP loan, which the student must repay upon completion of the program of study.

U.S. Department of Education Direct Loans
www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/

Direct Loans are low-interest loans for students and parents to help pay for the cost of student’s education after high school. The lender is the U.S. Department of Education, rather than a bank or other financial institution. The Direct Loan program offers subsidized, unsubsidized, PLUS, and consolidation loans. Apply by completing FAFSA.

WWAMI Medical Education Program
Ph: (907) 786-4789 www.uaa.alaska.edu/wwami | www.uwmedicine.org

The WWAMI Program (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho) provides access to medical school for residents of these states. Admission as a first year medical student by the University Of Washington School Of Medicine is a pre-requisite. Alaska WWAMI students pay resident tuition at the University Of Washington School Of Medicine for all four years of the program. Students apply to University of Washington School Of Medicine; upon admission, Alaska’s WWAMI students complete their 1st year of medical school at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Remember to check with your university’s financial aid department for any scholarships that they may offer, and check with the department of your major for additional, more specific, opportunities. Check often—new opportunities may be added throughout the year!

IX: Federal Student Aid

Federal Student Aid Programs

Federal aid packages likely include funds from federal student aid programs such as: Federal Pell Grants, U.S. Department of Education Direct Loans, Campus-Based Programs, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants, Federal Work Study, and the Perkins Loans. These programs are administered by the U.S. Department of Education for students attending post-secondary schools. Important Note: Not all schools participate in all federal student aid programs. Check with the school’s financial aid office to ensure the school participates in the federal program(s) if applying for aid.
Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
Ph: (800)433-3243 | (334) 523-2691
TTY (800) 730-8913
To apply for financial aid from federal-based education grant programs, students must complete an application form called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A student may apply online at the U.S. Department of Education website. Students can obtain a FAFSA application form from their school or from the Federal Student Aid Information Center. The FAFSA application is also used to determine a student’s eligibility for federal student grants, work-study aid, and loans. The application is also used to determine eligibility for most state and some private aid.

Tax Credits
IRS Tax Benefits for Education
www.irs.gov/uac/tax-benefits-for-education:-information-center
There are two education tax credits available, the Hope Credit and the American Opportunity Credit. The credits are based on education expenses paid for the student, student’s spouse, or dependents. During any particular year, students can only claim one of the credits. The amount of the credit is determined by the amount paid for “qualified tuition and related expenses” for each student and the amount of the student’s modified adjusted gross income (modified AGI).

State/School Programs
The school’s financial aid office is the best place to begin searching for free information. The financial aid administrator can provide information about student aid available from the state, the school itself, and other sources. The school is required to provide information about their financial aid procedures and deadlines, plus how and when awards are disbursed by the school. Be sure to read and understand the school’s and the financial aid provider’s satisfactory academic progress policy and keep copies of the enrollment agreement, the school’s catalog, and all financial aid documents (especially loan documents) received.

Free information about federal, state, school, and private student aid is available at the local library’s reference section (usually listed under “student aid” or “financial aid”). Student aid information may also be available from foundations, religious organizations, community organizations, and civic groups, as well as organizations related to the educational or professional field of interest, such as the American Medical Association or American Bar Association. Students can also check with their parents’ employers or unions to see if they award scholarships.

Alaska Native Federal Organizations
The federal government has several programs that are available to citizens and permanent residents of the United States as well as scholarship and grant programs for Alaska Natives and other Native Americans offered through the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Office of Indian Education Programs (OIEP)
3601 C. St., STE 1100, Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph: (907) 271-1536 | (800) 645-8465 F: (907) 271-3678
www.bia.gov

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) scholarship and education grant programs are funded by federal funds and may be available through the Alaska Native non-profit organizations. Students are eligible to apply through the village tribal council in Alaska where they are a member or a descendant of a member. If the organization does not manage a federally funded BIA scholarship and education grant program, contact the Office of Indian Education Programs (OIEP) in Anchorage for a list of Higher Education Contractors in Alaska to find out which organization to apply with.

These income-based scholarships are available to Alaska Native and American Indian students who live in the tribe’s service area and are pursuing four-year degrees from accredited institutions. Students seeking degrees in health-related fields may receive up to $3,500 per academic year. All others may receive up to $2,500. To qualify, students must carry a minimum 2.5 GPA. The deadlines to apply are Dec. 1 for the spring semester and June 1 for the fall semester.
There are student financial aid programs and special opportunities available throughout Alaska specifically for Alaska Native students. The programs may or may not have an Alaska or regional residency requirement. Eligibility may depend upon the student’s tribal membership or relationship as a Native enrollee/descendant or shareholder of a Regional, Village Corporation or Tribal Council formed as a result of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971.

You must request the scholarship and grant guidelines and application forms directly from the organization to determine whether you are eligible to apply. This handbook contains many resources with contact information; however, you should contact any organizations that you are affiliated with to see if there are additional scholarships that you can apply for.

Note: Check with the village corporations and village tribes in all the regions you are associated with for additional funding opportunities available to you.

I would like to help create a culture of learning and establish preventative care guidelines in the rural areas. Education is key to making positive changes in the world. My education is part of the key to be able to unlock barriers to provide basic education to the next generation of our people.
The CIRI Foundation

The CIRI Foundation (TCF) is a private foundation established in 1982 by the ANCSA Corporation Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI) Board of Directors. The mission of The CIRI Foundation is to promote individual self-development and economic self-sufficiency through education and maintain pride in culture and heritage among Alaska Natives who are original enrollees of Cook Inlet Region Inc., their descendants, and Alaska Native shareholders of CIRI.

The major goal of TCF is to encourage the education and career development of the Foundation’s Alaska Native beneficiaries through post-secondary scholarships and grants, as well as research and other education projects. Eligible Scholarship and Grant applicants may now apply via the Foundation’s online Scholarship and Grant Application portal located at www.thecirifoundation.org.

A second goal is to perpetuate and enhance the heritage of Cook Inlet region’s Alaska Native people through programs that foster appreciation and understanding by the general public. As part of its mission, TCF strives to support continued living traditions through selected heritage publications and media productions that enhance appreciation and understanding of Alaska Native cultures among all people.

The CIRI Foundation has been supporting the educational dreams of our people since 1982. In that time, The CIRI Foundation, with its partners, has contributed more than $33 million for the Alaska Native beneficiaries of CIRI to participate in post-secondary education. Over $3.2 million has been granted through TCF Education and Heritage Project Grant programs toward other non-profit and tribal organization projects that further the goals of the Foundation by serving our people, Alaska Natives, and Alaskans.

Private sector contributions are the primary source of funds for the programs and administration of the Foundation. The major source of private sector funds is derived from earnings from the Foundation’s several endowments, of which CIRI is the primary contributor.

Please contact The CIRI Foundation or visit the Foundation’s website at www.thecirifoundation.org for additional information about the Foundation’s programs and publications. Eligible applicants may also apply online via the Foundation’s online Scholarship and Grant Application located at www.thecirifoundation.org.
The CIRI Foundation Programs Eligibility Summary

The CIRI Foundation Scholarship, Fellowship, Grant, and Internship Programs
Eligible applicants are original enrollees of Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI) and the direct lineal descendants of original enrollees of CIRI who are either natural or legally adopted children, grandchildren, etc. of an original enrollee as provided in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971; limited funding is available for Alaska Native, voting shareholders of CIRI that are not original enrollees or direct lineal descendants.

Village Scholarship and Education Grant Programs
TCF administers non-BIA funds towards post-secondary education to Alaska Native original enrollees and their direct lineal descendants of Eklutna, Inc., Ninilchik Native Association, Inc., and Salamatof Native Association, Inc. (including spouses for SNAI only).

Education and Heritage Project Grant Programs
Project Grant funding is available to support projects that affect and/or involve Alaska Native beneficiaries of Cook Inlet Region, Inc. and further the Education and/or Heritage goals of The CIRI Foundation. Project Grants may be made to: non-profit organizations, tribal organizations, and individuals sponsored by a non-profit organization who are Alaska Native original enrollees to Cook Inlet Region, Inc. or their direct lineal descendants.

The CIRI Foundation Scholarship & Education Programs

The CIRI Foundation
3600 San Jeronimo Drive, STE 256 Anchorage, AK 99508
Ph: (907) 793-3575 | (800) 764-3382 F: (907) 793-3585
www.thecirifoundation.org | tcf@thecirifoundation.org

The following is a listing of the programs administered by The CIRI Foundation. Contact TCF to request additional information and guidelines or visit TCF’s website at www.thecirifoundation.org.

*All TCF scholarship and grant programs are subject to available funding*

TCF General Scholarship Program
Available to original enrollees of CIRI and the direct lineal descendants of original enrollees of CIRI. Must have a high school diploma or GED. The CIRI Foundation determines award classification. Student will need to only submit one application by the prescribed deadline listed below.

- **General Scholarship** Must have a high school diploma or GED and be accepted or enrolled full-time or part-time in a 2-year or a 4-year undergraduate or graduate degree program. Students must apply online and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Up to $6,000 per academic year for full-time enrollment and up to $5,500 per academic year for part-time enrollment. Deadline: June 1.

- **Mid-Year General Scholarship Award** For eligible scholarship applicants beginning Winter/Spring term. Provides funding to support one (1) semester/term. Students must apply online and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Up to $3,000 per term for full-time enrollment and up to $2,750 per term for part-time enrollment. Deadline: December 1.

- **Achievement Annual Scholarship** Competitive merit scholarship for applicants with minimum 3.0 GPA for consideration. Accepted and enrolled full-time in a 4-year undergraduate degree or graduate degree program. Up to $8,000 for one academic year. Deadline: June 1.

- **Excellence Annual Scholarship** Competitive merit scholarship for outstanding academic and community service experience. Minimum 3.5 GPA for consideration. Accepted and enrolled full-time in a 4-year undergraduate degree or graduate degree program. Up to $10,000 for one academic year. Deadline: June 1.

- **Special Excellence Annual Scholarship** Competitive merit scholarship for exceptional academic experience and outstanding community service. Minimum 3.7 GPA. Accepted or enrolled full-time in a 4-year undergraduate or graduate degree program. Preference is given to the fields of business, education, math, sciences, health services, and engineering. Up to $20,000 for one academic year. Deadline: June 1.

**Designated Endowments and Named Funds Awards**
The CIRI Foundation manages several designated endowments and named funds. These funds were established by community members to celebrate individuals and recognize specific accomplishments. Eligible applicants are original enrollees of CIRI and the direct lineal descendants of original enrollees of CIRI.

For designated and named funds awards: Applicant must have a high school diploma or GED and be accepted or enrolled full-time in a 2-year or 4-year undergraduate or graduate degree program. Minimum 2.5 GPA unless otherwise specified. The CIRI Foundation determines award classification.
Note: Higher award annual scholarships are only available for consideration at the June 1 deadline.

Students need to submit only one application by the prescribed deadline to apply for these, The CIRI Foundation Scholarship and Grant Application. Visit The CIRI Foundation website for additional information.

- Cap Lathrop Endowment Scholarship
- John N. Colberg Endowment Scholarship Fund
- Roy M. Huhndorf Endowment Scholarship Fund
- Peter Kalifornsky Memorial Endowment Fund
- Keck/Westmin Endowment Scholarship Fund
- Carl H. Marrs Scholarship Fund
- Lawrence Matson Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund
- Kirby McDonald Education Endowment Scholarship Fund
- William D. Phillips Scholarship Fund
- Margaret L. Brown Scholarship Fund

TCF Vocational Training Grant Program
Available to original enrollees of CIRI and the direct lineal descendants of original enrollees of CIRI. Should have a high school diploma or GED. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Must be accepted or enrolled part- or full-time in a technical skills certificate or vocational training program. Up to $5,500 during a calendar year. Deadlines: March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 1.

Jump Start Awards (Subject to available funds)
Deadlines: March 31, June 1, September 30, December 1
Available to direct lineal descendants of CIRI original enrollees who are concurrently enrolled as a high school student enrolled or accepted into a recognized or accredited “Running Start” college, training program, or other similar authorized post-secondary education course of study that allows students to concurrently and simultaneously earn high school and post-secondary credits. Must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher. Paper applications become available online approximately 30 days before the deadline. Award: up to $2000 per calendar year, see website for details.

Restart Awards (Subject to available funds)
One term of funding
Degree-seeking and Vocational training deadlines

This award is designed for applicants who are pursuing post-secondary education, but do not meet the required minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA requirement and have not attended school in more than 5 years. To qualify an applicant must: be a CIRI original enrollee or direct lineal descendent, have a high school diploma or GED, be enrolled in an accredited institution, and show a strong commitment to higher education and meeting TCF’s requirements in the future.

If awarded: applicants must maintain all funding requirements in order to stay in good standing with TCF and remain eligible for future funding, reapply at the next appropriate scholarship or grant deadline to be considered for further funding. All applicants are evaluated based on the information submitted in their application. Please see thecirifoundation.org/scholarships for details.

Kick Start Award (Subject to available funds)
One term of funding
If you are a first-time, post-secondary applicant to The CIRI Foundation and do not have a high school cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, then you may be considered for a Kick Start Award. This is a one-time award and subject to available funds. Available to original enrollees of CIRI and the direct lineal descendants of original enrollees of CIRI. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and be accepted or enrolled in a degree-seeking, vocational training, or certificate program. Up to $2,000 for one (1) educational term as defined by TCF.

Raven Fund Award (Paper Application)
Provides limited funding to CIRI, Alaska Native, voting shareholders *who are not original enrollees or their direct lineal descendants. The Raven Fund offers general scholarships and vocational training grants to qualified applicants. If interested, request an application from TCF. Deadlines: March 31, June 1, June 30, September 30, and December 1.

Fellowship Grant Programs
Available to original enrollees of CIRI and their direct lineal descendants. Must be at least 18 years of age; should have a high school diploma or GED. Min. 2.5 GPA. Up to $250 during a calendar year. Deadlines: March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 1.

- Cultural Heritage Fellowship
  Provided to encourage applicants in performing and transmitting the visual, literary, and performing arts of Alaska Natives. Applicant must be accepted or enrolled in a seminar or conference approved by The CIRI Foundation.

- General Fellowship
  Provided for approved non-credit workshops, seminars and preparatory/study courses that broaden an applicant’s understanding and appreciation of education, society, and directly relate to the improvement of the applicant’s employment skills.

Internship Program (Paper Application)
The purpose of the Internship Program is to partner with employers to assist eligible applicants with supervised on-the-job training that will provide practical work experience consistent with career preparation. Available to original enrollees of CIRI and their direct lineal descendants. Must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or GED. Should be enrolled or recently completed an accredited two-year degree program, four-year degree program, graduate degree program, or technical skills training program at an accredited or otherwise approved post-secondary institution. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Contact TCF for application and deadline information.

Village Scholarship and Grant Programs
The CIRI Foundation administers non-BIA funds towards post-secondary education to Alaska Native original enrollees and their direct lineal descendants of Ninilichik Native Association, Inc. (NNAI) and Salamatof Native Association Inc. (SNAI). Applicants may be considered for awards from both TCF General Endowment and the village funds. All Village Scholarship and Grant programs are subject to available funding.
• **Ninilchik Native Association, Inc. (NNAI) Scholarship and Grant Program**
  Merit-based scholarships available for original enrollees of NNAI, their direct lineal descendants, and Alaska Native NNAI shareholders. Must be accepted or enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program or technical skills training program. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Deadlines: June 1 and December 1 for scholarships, and June 30 for grants.
  
  *Note NNAI eligibility requirements were updated in 2017—contact TCF or NNAI for more information.*

• **Salamatof Native Association, Inc. (SNAI) Scholarship Program**
  Established in 1992 by the Salamatof Native Association, Inc. to offer merit scholarships to original enrollees of SNAI, their direct lineal descendants, and spouses. Must be accepted or enrolled full-time in an undergraduate or graduate degree program or technical skills training program. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Deadline: June 1, December 1

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**Tribal Councils and Associations of the Cook Inlet Region**

Several tribal governments and regional associations located within Cook Inlet Region administer federal Native American higher education scholarship and education grant programs for eligible and qualified Alaska Native members. Tribal councils and associations are also a resource for culturally relevant and unique opportunities.

**Chickaloon Village Traditional Council**
P.O. Box 1105, Chickaloon, AK 99674  
Ph: (907) 745-0749 F: (907) 745-7154  
[www.chickaloon.org](http://www.chickaloon.org) | [info@chickaloon.org](mailto:info@chickaloon.org)

Grants and scholarships for education and training are available for tribal citizens with at least a 2.0 GPA. The amount varies, see website for details.

**Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc. (CITC) Scholarships**  
*Administered by: The CIRI Foundation*

[www.thecirifoundation.org](http://www.thecirifoundation.org) | [tcf@thecirifoundation.org](mailto:tcf@thecirifoundation.org)

Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 793-3575 | (800) 764-3382  
[www.thecirifoundation.org](http://www.thecirifoundation.org) | [tcf@thecirifoundation.org](mailto:tcf@thecirifoundation.org)

Provides scholarship funding to eligible Alaska Native CIRI shareholders and direct lineal descendants who meet the program eligibility and program requirements. Deadlines: June 1 and December 1

- **Tribal Higher Education Scholarship**  
  *Administered by: The CIRI Foundation*

  Provides scholarship awards to pursue a higher education at an accredited college, university, or training facility. Deadlines: June 1, December 1

- **Alyeska Match Scholarship**  
  *Administered by: The CIRI Foundation*

  Offers matching financial aid to eligible applicants that are receiving other CITC funds to attend college in fields specified by Alyeska (see page 26). Deadlines: June 1, December 1

**Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc. (CITC) Vocational Training and Career Development**

3600 San Jeronimo Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508  
Ph: (907) 793-3600 | (877) 985-5900  
[www.citci.org](http://www.citci.org)

Provides vocational training funding and other services to eligible Alaska Natives who meet the program eligibility and program requirements. Deadlines: Varies.

- **Alaska’s People Career Development Center**
  is open to all Alaska Natives living in the Anchorage area as a walk-in resource for those seeking employment and training opportunities.

- **Tribal Training Grant**
  Alaska Natives and American Indians residing within the Cook Inlet region may apply. Program offers funding to eligible students pursuing short-term certification or vocational training for job enhancement and/or employability at an accredited training facility. Deadline: Open.

  *Note: CITC itself provides only vocational training grant funding opportunities. For degree-seeking students, CITC’s funding is administered through The CIRI Foundation.*

**Eklutna Inc. Scholarship and Grant Program**  
*Scholarship Administered by: The CIRI Foundation*

16515 Centerfield Drive, Suite 201  
Eagle River, AK 99577 | Ph: (907) 696-2828  
[www.eklutnainc.com](http://www.eklutnainc.com)

Offers unique and flexible programs that address potentials from early childhood development, general educational development (GED), career advancement, cultural/fellowship grants, and vocational or post-secondary education opportunities. Eligible applicants are original enrollees of Eklutna Inc. and their lineal descendants. Contact Eklutna Inc. for more information on early childhood and GED support.

Scholarship and training grant administered through The CIRI Foundation.

**Kenaitze Indian Tribe**
P.O. Box 988, Kenai, AK 99611  
Ph: (907) 283-3633 | F: (907) 283-3052  
[www.kenaitze.org](http://www.kenaitze.org)

The Education and Career Development program supports the traditional Kahtnuht’ana Dena’ina value of education – passing down cultural knowledge and traditions and supporting formal education. Scholarships are open only to tribal members; job training is available for unemployed and underemployed Alaska Native and American Indian applicants. Up to $3500 per academic year. Deadlines: rolling.
Knik Tribal Council
951 E. Bogard Rd., STE 101, Wasilla, AK 99654
Ph: (907) 373-7991 | F: (907) 373-2161
https://kniktribe.org/
Job Placement and Training Program assists tribal members in developing a career and training plan. Employment and Training will assist as well in referrals to appropriate resources in the community.

Native Village of Eklutna
26339 Eklutna Village Rd., Chugiak, AK 99567
Ph: (907) 688-6020 | F: (907) 688-6021
www.eklutna-nsn.gov | nve@eklutna-nsn.gov

Native Village of Tyonek
B Street, Tyonek, AK 99682
Ph: (907) 583-2201 | F: (907) 583-2442

Ninilchik Native Association, Inc.
15700 Sterling Hwy, Ninilchik, AK 99639
Ph: (907) 567-3866 | www.nnai.net | nnai@nnai.net
Provides scholarship funding to eligible Alaska Native shareholders and direct lineal descendants of Ninilchik Native Association. Min. 2.5 GPA required. Deadlines: June 1 and December 1.

Ninilchik Traditional Council
P.O. Box 39070, Ninilchik, AK 99639
Ph: (907) 567-3313 F: (907) 567-3308
www.ninilchiktribe-nsn.gov
Provides scholarships to tribal members graduating Ninilchik High School (one special scholarship per year), and scholarships to those attending an accredited educational institute. Adult vocational training is also available for Alaska Natives living within Ninilchik tribal boundaries. See website for deadlines and details.

Salamatof Native Association, Inc.
100 N. Willow St., Kenai, AK 99611
Ph: (907) 283-3745 | F: (907) 283-6470
www.salamatof.com | info@salamatof.com
Provides scholarship funding to eligible Alaska Native shareholders and direct lineal descendants of Salamatof Native Association. Min. 2.5 GPA required. Deadlines: June 1 and December 1.

Seldovia Native Association, Inc.
P.O. Box A, Seldovia, AK 99663
Ph: (907) 234-7625 | (800) 478-7898
www.snai.com | snai@snai.com
Provides scholarships to full-time students enrolled in an accredited undergraduate or graduate program that are SNAI shareholders or descendants. Awards based GPA, min. of 2.0 for scholarships. See website for deadline.

Seldovia Village Tribe
Drawer L, Seldovia, AK 99663
Ph: (907) 234-7898 | F: (907) 234-7865
www.svt.org
Awards achievement scholarships of $1,500 to full-time students attending an accredited college or university in two-year or four-year undergraduate degree programs. SVT also offers a student exchange program scholarship of $1000 for students studying abroad and trade school scholarships of $500. Min. 2.0 GPA. See website for deadline.

Tyonek Native Corporation/Tebughna Foundation
1689 C Street, STE. 120, Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Ph: (907) 646-3142 | F: (855) 761-4394
tebughnafoundation.com | info@tebughnafoundation.com

- **General Semester Scholarships**: for students who are taking 2-year or 4-year college classes, either enrolled part-time or full-time. GPA minimum of 2.0, funding amount varies with GPA. Scholarships are awarded by semester. See website for deadline.

- **Vocational/Technical Training**: Vocational Grants are for students who are enrolled in a vocational or technical training. Grants are funded up to $4500 per year. Applications are due 30 days before start date.

I am so happy I decided to go back to school. It is so fulfilling to learn and grow.
Alaska Native Regional and Education Foundation Scholarships

**Ahtna Region**

**The Ahtna Heritage Foundation**
PO Box 213, Glennallen, Alaska 99588
Ph: (907)822-5778 F: (907) 822-5338  
[www.ahtnaheritage.org](http://www.ahtnaheritage.org) | scholarships@ahtnaheritage.org

Provides scholarships to Ahtna shareholders and their descendants. Enrolled or accepted in an accredited college, university or vocational school, full or part-time. Minimum 2.0 GPA. High school graduate or GED. Full-time undergraduate students are eligible for up to $2,000 per term, up to $1,000 toward part-time enrollment, graduate level students are eligible for $1,500 and $3,000 respectively. Deadline: July 15 and December 15.

**Copper River Native Association**
Mile 111.5 Richardson Hwy., Drawer H Copper Center, AK 99573 | Ph: (907) 822-5241 F: (907) 822-8801  
[www.crnative.org](http://www.crnative.org) | CRNAmarketing@crnative.org

Higher Education Scholarship Program and Adult Vocational Training Award applicants must be enrolled members or direct descendants eligible for enrollment with the following villages: Cantwell, Gakona, Tazlina; with one-quarter Indian blood quantum, or those students of one-fourth or more degree of Indian blood who reside near those villages. Students may not be receiving funds from another tribal government, and have not applied for other Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Higher Education funds.

- **Higher Education Scholarship**  
  Applicants accepted into an accredited post-secondary program can receive up to $2,000.00 per semester based on their need.

- **Adult Vocational Training Award**  
  Available to applicants accepted into an approved vocational training or apprenticeship program and have reasonable assurance of a job offer upon completing the training.

**Aleut Region**

**The Aleut Foundation**
703 W. Tudor Rd., STE 102, Anchorage, AK 99503  
Ph: (907) 646-1929 | (800) 232-4882 F: (907) 646-1949  
[www.thealeutfoundation.org](http://www.thealeutfoundation.org) | taf@thealeutfoundation.org

Provides scholarships to Alaska Native original enrollees and their descendants of The Aleut Corporation, Aleutian Pribilof Islands Restitution Trust, and Isanotski Corporation. Applicant must be accepted in an accredited U.S. college, university, technical or vocational training school, or a state certified program. High school graduate or GED. Minimum 2.0 GPA. See website for deadline.

- **Higher Education Scholarships** Merit, Achievement, Exceptional, and Honors.

- **Specialized Scholarships** Graduate level requires a minimum 3.0 GPA and enrollment in a minimum of 6 credits. Working Full-time Students Award available to students that work full-time and enroll in 9 credits minimum. Part-time Students Award available to students that work part-time and enroll in 3 credits minimum.

- **Special Honors** Andrew Gronholdt Scholarship of the Arts; Gabe Stepetin Scholarship of Business; Lillie McGarvey Scholarship of Health; Alice Petrivelli Scholarship of Business Leadership; Elary Gromoff, Jr. Military Veteran Scholarship.

- **Vocational Scholarship** Provides funding toward training that lasts 12 weeks or more.

- **Individual Career Development** Provides funding to attend training for courses that are 12 weeks or less.

- **Services** The Aleut Foundation also provides Travel Scholarships for Cultural Camps, Travel Scholarships to attend AFN, and Burial Assistance.

**Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association**
Anchorage AK | Ph: (907) 276-2700  
[www.apiai.org](http://www.apiai.org) | apiai@apiai.org

Assists eligible applicants attending Higher Education, Vocational/Certification Training, Short-term Training, or other training based on reasonable and necessary unmet need and availability of funds. Eligible applicants must be an Alaska Native/American Indian from a federally-recognized Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Region Tribe or residing in Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Region. Eligible Tribes include Akutan, False Pass, Belkofski, Unga, Pauloff Harbor, Qagan Tayagungin, Nelson Lagoon, and Nikolski. The remaining regional tribes administer their own programs.
Eligible applicants must be an original shareholder or a direct lineal descendant of an original shareholder of the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation. Applicant may also be a Northern or an Alaska Inupiat Native of at least ¼ blood quantum currently residing in the Arctic Slope Region. Applicant must be accepted in an accredited U.S. college, university, technical or vocational training school. High school graduate or GED. Minimum 2.0 GPA.

- **College/Training** 4-year college programs are eligible for up to $3,000 per semester or $2,000 per quarter. Applicants enrolled in 2-year or less programs are eligible for up to $2,500 per semester/quarter. See website for deadlines.

- **Leadership Award** Provides annual scholarships to applicants enrolled in two-year and four-year accredited educational programs. Award is based on merit. Applicant must have demonstrated leadership qualities throughout high school or college/training. See website for deadline.

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Eligible applicants must be either a shareholder of Bering Straits Native Corporation or a lineal descendant of a shareholder. See website for deadlines.

- **College/University** College/University Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited U.S. college or university program pursuing an associate, bachelor's, graduate, or doctoral degree. High school graduate or GED required. Award amounts per semester are based on full-time/part-time status and GPA.

- **Vocational Training** Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited or recognized certificate or other training program. Award is subject to available funding.

- **Martin L. Olson Memorial Scholarship** Applicants must be one quarter (¼) or more Alaska Native and enrolled to the Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC), village corporation, or as an "At Large" member of BSNC. Show financial need. Scholarship is for the fall semester only and one award is given each year. Accepted and enrolled in an accredited institution or vocational school. Enrolled full-time and maintain a 2.0 GPA or higher. Award up to $500.

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Provides training grants and college scholarships to tribal members enrolled to a tribe located within the Bering Strait Region (Tribal members of Gambell and Nome Eskimo Community must apply to their local IRA Council). Provides semester or quarterly scholarships to tribal enrollees accepted into a two-year or four-year degree program. See website for deadlines.

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Available to Norton Sound Residents (see website for full list). Program offers scholarships to students enrolled full-time and part time (if you hold a full time job) at an accredited college, university, or vocational school.
Bristol Bay Region

BBNC Education Foundation
111 West 16th Ave., STE 400, Anchorage, AK 99501
Ph: (907) 278-3602 | (800) 426-3602 F: (907) 265-7886
www.bbnec.net | bbncef@bbnc.net
Provides annual scholarships to Bristol Bay Native Corporation shareholders enrolled in an accredited college, university, or vocational institution. Applicant must have high school diploma or GED. Minimum 2.0 GPA for most awards. Official electronic transcripts must be submitted as a certified PDF, delivered from a verified/secured source. Able to show financial need. See website for deadline.

- **Higher Education Scholarships** Applicant must have a high school diploma or GED and be enrolled as a full time (or part time with a minimum of 6 credits) student in an accredited college or university. Advanced degree programs are included. Awards based on academic standing, leadership, financial need, and life experiences.

- **Vocational Education Scholarships** Applicant must have a high school diploma or GED and be enrolled as a full time (or part time with a minimum of 6 credits) student in an accredited college or university. Advanced degree programs are included. Awards based on academic standing, leadership, financial need, and life experiences.

- **H. Noble Dick Scholarship** Junior or senior enrolled as a full-time student with an accounting or business management major in an accredited college or university. 2.5 GPA or higher. Up to $1,000 award.

- **Wells Fargo-BBNC Scholarship** Established to encourage interest in the banking profession. Eligible applicants must be a junior or senior enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited college or university. Up to $5,000 award.

- **Frank W. Hill Memorial Scholarship** Established in memory of the late Frank W. Hill. Applicants must be a BBNC shareholder; a junior, senior, or advanced degree candidate enrolled as a full time student in the education field in an accredited college or university. Applicants must also have a cumulative 2.5 GPA or better and be able to show financial need.

- **Short-Term Vocational Education Scholarship** Established to assist shareholders with funding for short-term training needs that enhance opportunities for employment or promotion. This program is open year-round. Application required. Awards up to $1000.

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Calista Region

Calista Education and Culture, Inc.
5015 Business Park Blvd., STE 3000 Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph: (907) 275-2800 | (800) 277-5516 F: (907) 275-2936
www.calistaeducation.org | scholarships@calistacorp.com
Applicant must be a Calista Corporation Original Shareholder, Direct Lineal Descendant of an Original Shareholder, or a Calista Corporation Voting Shareholder. Applicant must have a high school diploma or GED. Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. Official transcripts from all trade, vocational, colleges or universities attended must be submitted or, official transcripts from graduating high school or, copy of GED if no college or university has been attended. Scholarships are awarded on a Fall and Spring Term basis in alignment with the application deadline. The scholarship may be used for tuition, books, and fees. The scholarship recipient must have a 2.0 or higher GPA, and maintain and satisfactorily complete a full-time or part-time status for the entire semester/quarter they received the scholarship. Deadlines June 30 for Fall term and December 1 for Spring term, online applications available.

The Kuskokwim Corporation
Aniak, AK | Ph: (907) 243-2944 | (800) 478-2171
www.kuskokwim.com | dg@kuskokwim.com
Educational assistance for Alaska Native people and their descendants from the Kuskokwim Corporation (TKC) region. Scholarships available for students enrolled in college degree programs, vocational training, or continuing education. See website for deadlines.

Chugach Region

Chugach Heritage Foundation
3800 Centerpoint Dr., STE 1200, Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph: (907) 261-0400 | (800) 858-2768 F: (907) 261-8896
www.chugachheritagefoundation.org | scholarships@chugach.com
Offers scholarships to support students seeking college degrees, university degrees, vocational certificates, and job training. Eligible applicants must be an original shareholder or a direct lineal descendant of an original shareholder of Chugach Alaska Corporation. See website for deadlines.

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I am committed to my education.
I will earn my degree through hard work and determination. I will do well and give back to the people and culture that have given me so much.
• **CHF Graduate Scholarship** Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited graduate level program. Students can receive up to $10,500 per academic year. This is a competitive scholarship.

• **Barney Uhart Memorial Scholarship Program** Applicant must be at the Senior level of their undergraduate program with plans to enroll in a graduate degree program. Applicants who are awarded this scholarship will participate in a paid summer internship and receive $5,000 in additional CHF scholarship funding. This is a competitive and degree specific scholarship.

• **Discretionary Scholarship Program** Limited funding is available to assist with unique educational and cultural opportunities.

Chugach Alaska Corporation
3800 Centerpoint Dr., Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph: (907) 563-8866 | (800) 858-2768 F: (907) 261-8896
[www.chugach.com](http://www.chugach.com) | [shareholderdevelopment@chugach.com](mailto:shareholderdevelopment@chugach.com)

Provides the following services to Chugach Alaska Corporation shareholders and descendants of shareholders:

• **Apprenticeship Program** Provides on-the-job training in a variety of specialized fields under the direct supervision of a designated supervisor full-time, for a period up to 1 year.

• **Internship Program** Provides resources to full or part-time students attending college to obtain their degree while gaining work experience. Intern work under the supervision of a manager of Chugach Alaska Corporation or one of its subsidiaries/business partners. Minimum 2.0 GPA. High school graduate or GED. Deadline is open.

• **Training Without Walls** A two-year leadership training program that meets three times a year for two-day training sessions. Hotel and airfare accommodations will be available to participants traveling outside of the Anchorage area. See website for deadline.

• **Small Business Assistance Program (SBAP)** Provides awards for the use of starting or expanding a shareholder or descendant small business. SBAP funds may not be used for refinancing or an existing small business loan. No more than $5,000 will be awarded to any one shareholder or descendant owned business. SBAP awards are taxable and SBAP funds must be expended within one year of the SBAP award. See website for deadline.

Chugachmiut Tribal Organization
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 562-4155 | (800) 478-4155
[www.chugachmiut.org](http://www.chugachmiut.org) | [info@chugachmiut.org](mailto:info@chugachmiut.org)

Provides awards to shareholders and descendants of shareholders of Chugach Alaska Corporation. The scholarship seeks to ensure that individuals have the tools necessary to find steady and long-term employment through the provision of training and career development resources, referrals, apprenticeship and higher education information, and advocacy for Native hire. See website for deadline.

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**Cook Inlet Region**

The CIRI Foundation
3600 San Jeronimo Drive, STE 25 Anchorage, AK 99508
Ph: (907) 793-3575 | (800) 764-3382 F: (907) 793-3585
[www.thecirifoundation.org](http://www.thecirifoundation.org) | [tcf@thecirifoundation.org](mailto:tcf@thecirifoundation.org)

The CIRI Foundation administers scholarships, grants, fellowships, and internships to qualified Alaska Natives of the Cook Inlet Region. See The CIRI Foundation section on pages 15-18 and Tribal Councils and Associations of Cook Inlet on pages 18-19 in this handbook.

**Doyon Region**

Doyon Foundation
601 Bidwell, STE 101, Fairbanks, AK 99701
Ph: (907) 459-2048 | (888) 478-4755 F: (907) 459-2065
[www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) | [foundation@doyon.com](mailto:foundation@doyon.com)

Provides scholarships to Doyon, Limited enrollees and children of original enrollees. Offers basic, vocational, and competitive scholarships to students in a wide range of fields. Also, offers college credit scholarships for high school students taking college-level courses. Applicants should have a high school diploma or GED except for the advanced college credit award. Applicants must apply online.

• **Competitive and Basic Scholarship** Applicant must be accepted in an accredited college, university, technical, or vocational school. Enrolled in a program that is at least six weeks or 120 hours long. Maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA for undergraduate students, 3.0 for graduate or master’s degree students or 3.25 for specialists or doctorate students. Competitive recipients must be attending school full-time. Competitive scholarships are up to $9,000 and are awarded once per year. Basic recipients can apply for part-time ($800) or full-time ($1,200) scholarships, and can apply three times per year. See website for deadlines.

• **Short Term Vocational Scholarship** Applicant must be enrolled in a course or program that is less than 120 hours and less than one year, may not be enrolled in degree program. Students may apply at any time throughout the year, may receive funding equal to the cost of the course not to exceed $1,000, and may receive funding once per year. Funding provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

• **Advanced College Credit Scholarship** Available to high school students enrolled in college courses as long as their school district does not pay for advanced placement classes. Students may apply year round for funding. Doyon Foundation will award the actual cost of the course or program, not to exceed $400, provided on a first come, first served basis.

It is rewarding to visit places and see people actively using technology that I helped to develop and deploy.
Koniag Region

Koniag Education Foundation
4241 B St., STE 303 B, Anchorage, AK 99503
Ph: (907) 562-9093 | (888) 562-9093 F: (907) 562-9023
www.koniageducation.org | kef@koniageducation.org
Administers scholarships and various programs for eligible Alaska Native Koniag, Inc. shareholders and descendants of shareholders of Koniag, Inc. Applicants must be accepted or enrolled in accredited institutions of higher learning or vocational schools. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors, high school or GED graduates, or have successfully completed one or more college, university, or graduate school terms. See website for deadlines.

- **General Scholarship** Awarded to students pursuing a degree through an accredited educational institution. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Up to $2,500 per year.

- **Trans-Pac Alaska Scholarship** Established through funds from Charles Kim, the owner of Trans-Pac Alaska, this scholarship provides two awards per year to applicants who are studying in the field of natural resources and has a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Up to $10,000.

- **Career Development Scholarships** Awarded to individuals enrolled in non-degree programs such as licensing and certification trainings, workshops, or other career advancing programs. Up to $1,000. Apply at least three weeks prior to start of program. Deadline: Open and rolling.

- **Larry Matfay Cultural Heritage Scholarship** Awarded to one student per year with a 2.5 GPA or equivalent. Preference given to majors in Anthropology, History, Alaska Native, or American Indian Studies, or other disciplines with a course of study that involves research and study of Alutiiq culture. Up to $1,000.

- **Glenn Godfrey Sr. Memorial Scholarship** Established to help applicants pursue self-improvement and positive leadership qualities. Minimum 2.5 GPA or equivalent. Sophomore, Junior, or Senior in college. Ability to demonstrate continued community service or civic duty. One recipient per year, up to $5,000.

- **Magnel Larsen Drabek Scholarship** Awarded to one recipient per year. Applicants must be majoring in arts, education, or cultural studies. Minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher. Up to $2,000.

- **Koniag Angayuk Scholarship/Internship** Award allows the student to focus on their field of study and gain related work experience during a 6-10 week period during the summer. Min. 3.0 GPA, agree to intern in any one of Koniag’s subsidiaries during the summer, and be willing to relocate for a period of 6-10 weeks during the summer months. Student will receive a salary during their internship. Provides funding for travel and lodging. Students who are awarded and who continue to meet the obligations of the scholarship will receive an annual scholarship of $10,000 each year throughout the length of their post-secondary educational training.

Kodiak Area Native Association
Kodiak, AK | Ph: (907) 486-9800 | (800) 478-5721
www.kanaweb.org
Higher Education Scholarships are available to financially assist eligible Alaska Natives enrolled in the Koniag Region, enrolled members of Akhiok and Port Lions. Funds are awarded specifically for the purpose of assisting students in achieving a four year academic degree from an accredited institution.

NANA Region

Aqqaluk Trust
P.O. Box 509, Kotzebue, AK 99752
Ph: (907) 442-1607 | (866) 442-1607
www.aggaluktrust.com | aqqaluk.trust@aggaluktrust.com
The Aqqaluk Trust awards scholarships to NANA shareholders, their descendants & dependents that are pursuing associate degrees, bachelor’s degrees, master’s degrees, doctoral degrees, and vocational training. See website for scholarship deadlines. Vocational/Technical application and supporting documents must be completed before the first day of class.

Maniilaq Association
Kotzebue, AK | Ph: (907)442-7660 | (800) 478-3312
www.maniilaq.org | scholarships@maniilaq.org
For Tribal members pursuing college degrees and in need of additional training the association administers the following programs: Paaraq Scholarship, Higher Education, Vocational Training, Workforce Investment Act, Childcare Assistance, Direct Employment, General Assistance, and James “Qigłak” Wells Endowment Scholarship. Check website for deadlines.

Sealaska Region

Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes
Juneau, AK | Ph: (907) 463-7329 | (800) 344-1432 x7329
www.ccthita.org
- The College Student Assistance (CSA) Program provides financial aid to tribally enrolled citizens within the compact service area who are attending, or plan to attend, an accredited college or university in the pursuit of education degree programs, specifically post-secondary education.
- The Alumni Scholarship Assistance Program (ASAP) provides annual scholarship awards to all tribally enrolled citizens regardless of service area, community affiliation, origination, residence, tribal impact or signatory status. See website for deadline.

Sealaska Heritage Institute
105 S. Seward St., STE 201, Juneau, AK 99801
Ph: (907) 463-4844 F: (907) 586-9293
www.sealaskaheritage.org | heritage@sealaska.com
Provides scholarships to Alaska Natives who are Sealaska shareholders and descendants of shareholders. Accepted into an accredited college/university or vocational/technical school. Must be enrolled full-time. Deadline: March 1st
Additional Alaska Native, Native American, and Underrepresented Minority Scholarships

The following scholarships are for Alaska Native, American Indian/Native American, and/or underrepresented minority students studying a variety of disciplines. Some scholarships may have additional membership, major or other eligibility requirements. Contact each organization for further details and to verify application deadline(s).

**Specific U.S. Tribal or Regional Affiliation**

**American Indian Endowed Scholarship**
[www.wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship](http://www.wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship)
Provides financial assistance to American Indian undergraduate and graduate students with ties to Washington state. Funding is prioritized for upper division and graduate students intending to return and work with their tribe(s). Deadlines vary.

**Bonneville Power Administration Scholarship**
[www.bpa.gov](http://www.bpa.gov)
Provides financial assistance to members of Indian tribes in the Pacific NW who are interested in working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in specified finance and science-related fields at a university in any state. See website for deadline.

**Cherokee Nation, Office of Higher Education**
Tahlequah, OK | Ph: (918) 453-5000 | (800) 256-0671
[www.cherokee.org](http://www.cherokee.org) | [highereducation@cherokee.org](mailto:highereducation@cherokee.org)
Provides scholarships to enrolled members of the Cherokee Nation pursuing degrees at a college or university accredited with Carnegie units. See website for deadline.

**Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma**
El Reno, OK | Ph: (800) 247-4612
[www.c-a-tribes.org](http://www.c-a-tribes.org) | [heducation@c-a-tribes.org](mailto:heducation@c-a-tribes.org)
Available to enrolled Cheyenne-Arapaho tribal members who are either undergraduate or graduate students at an accredited 4-year or 2-year university. See website for deadline.

**Dakota Indian Foundation Scholarship**
[www.dakotaindianfoundation.org](http://www.dakotaindianfoundation.org)
Provides funding for the educational advancement of Native American students with priority to those of Lakota, Dakota, and/or Nakota heritage. Students must be a sophomore, junior, or senior to be eligible and must have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours. Scholarships are for any approved course of study at an accredited college, university or vocational school. 2.0 GPA requirement. See website for deadline.

**Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council, Inc.**
Ohkay Owingeh, NM | Ph: (505) 747-1593
[www.enipc.org](http://www.enipc.org)
Provides funding to enrolled members of the following Northern pueblos: Tesuque, San Ildefonso, Nambe, Santa Clara, Pojoaque, Picuris (note: San Juan and Taos Pueblo are no longer program partners).

**Fort Peck Tribes**
Poplar, MT | Ph: (406) 768-2300
[www.fortpecktribes.org](http://www.fortpecktribes.org) | [info@fortpecktribes.org](mailto:info@fortpecktribes.org)
Available to Assiniboine and Sioux members of the Fort Peck tribes in Montana. Applicants must be undergraduates or vocational training. See website for deadline.

**Hopi Tribal Grants and Scholarships**
Kykotsmovi, AZ | Ph: (928) 734-2275
[www.hopieducationfund.org](http://www.hopieducationfund.org)
Available to enrolled members of the Hopi Tribe. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED. Enrolled in regionally accredited college or university. Check website for deadline.

**Hualapai Tribal Scholarship**
Peach Springs, AZ | Ph: (928) 769-2200
[www.hualapai-nsn.gov](http://www.hualapai-nsn.gov)
Available to members of the Hualapai Tribe for undergraduate funding. Contact tribe for deadline and additional eligibility information. See website for deadline.

**Northwest Indian Housing Association Scholarships**
[www.nwiha.org](http://www.nwiha.org) | Ph: (206) 290-5498
Provides financial assistance to members of Indian tribes in the Pacific Northwest who are interested in attending college in any state. See website for deadline.

**Northern Cheyenne Tribal Education Department**
Ph: (406) 477-6567
[www.cheyennenation.com](http://www.cheyennenation.com) | [darlenh@rangeweb.net](mailto:darlenh@rangeweb.net)
Available to enrolled members of the Northern Cheyenne tribe who are pursuing any undergraduate area of study at a postsecondary institution. Deadline: check website.

**Office of Navajo Nation**
[www.onnsfa.org](http://www.onnsfa.org) | Ph: (866) 223-6457
Provides a variety of scholarships to enrolled members of the Navajo tribe that are undergraduate or graduate students at an accredited university may apply. See website for deadline.

**United South & Eastern Tribes**
Nashville, TN | Ph: (615) 872-7900 | [www.usetinc.org](http://www.usetinc.org)
Provides supplemental scholarships to Indian students in the USET service area and enrolled members of one of the twenty-five USET member Tribes. See website for deadline.
I plan to continue to work hard and make the most of my time at school, so that I can be an effective voice for the next generation of Alaska Native people.
American Indian Services
Provo, UT | Ph: (801) 375-1777
www.americaindianservices.org | scholarship@americanindianservices.org
Provides scholarships to undergraduate students who are ¼ or more and part of a Northern Native American Indian. Minimum 2.25 GPA. See website for deadline.

Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP)
Oklahoma City, OK | Ph: (405) 946-7072
www.aaip.org | lmyers@aaip.org
Provides scholarships for medical and pre-med students to attend the annual AAIP workshops to Alaska Native or American Indian undergraduate or graduate students interested in the health field. Workshops are offered Provides physicians, medical students, faculty, minority program staff, counselors, and other healthcare professionals a greater understanding of Western and Traditional Medicine. Additional scholarships and internships may be available- see website for details.

Association on American Indian Affairs
Rockville, MD | Ph: (240) 314-7155
www.indian-affairs.org | lw.aaia@indian-affairs.org
Offers scholarships to Native American students. The requirements for and specifics of each scholarship may be different. Must be members of federally recognized tribes unless otherwise stated. Deadlines vary.

- **Adolf Van Pelt Scholarship**
  This scholarship is for one year only, in any undergraduate field of study.

- **Allogan Slagle Memorial Scholarship**
  This scholarship is the only scholarship in the U.S. created specifically for students from tribes not recognized by the federal government. Students from state-recognized tribes may apply.

- **David Risling Emergency Aid**
  The AAIA David Risling Emergency Aid is for students who have sudden, non-expected emergencies that would result in the student leaving school. Federal recognition not required.

- **Displaced Homemaker Scholarships**
  Provides financial assistance to Alaska Native and Native American displaced homemaker students who are attending school for the first time or returning to school to complete their education after taking a break to raise their family. Students that are parents between jobs, and especially single parents, are also considered for funding through this scholarship.

- **Elizabeth & Sherman Asche Memorial Scholarship**
  Provides financial assistance to undergraduate and graduate students in public health, healthcare, or science fields.

- **Owannah Anderson Scholarship**
  Provides a two-year scholarship to female undergraduate (junior-level) students in any field of study to support degree completion.

ASU American Indian Student Support Services
Browning, MT | Ph: (480) 965-8044
www.aiss.asu.edu/scholarships
Provides higher education scholarships and vocational training grants information for students. Deadline: Check Website.

Catching the Dream, Inc.
Albuquerque, NM | Ph: (505) 262-2351
www.catchingthedream.org | nscholar@aol.com
Provides scholarships to students who are ¼ or more Alaska Native or American Indian and enrolled members of a U. S. tribe. Awards are for full-time students based on merit and demonstrated financial need. Additional opportunities for youth and high school students through Kohl’s Department store partnership. See website for deadlines.

- **First Sergeant Douglas & Charlotte Dehorse Scholarship**
  Provides financial assistance to American Indians who have ties to the military and are working on an undergraduate or graduate degree.

- **MESBEC Program**
  Provides financial assistance to American Indian students who are interested in working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in mathematics, engineering, science, business, education, and computers.

Continental Society Daughters of Indian Wars Scholarship
www.csdiw.org/scholarships.html
Open to Native American, certified tribal members with plans to work on a reservation. Must be an undergraduate junior or senior accepted to or already attending an accredited college/university, be carrying at least eight semester hours, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Must be US citizen and demonstrate financial need. Amount $5000. Deadline June 15

Daughters of the American Revolution
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 628-1776
www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/american-indian
Offers three scholarships, including a one-time $4,000 scholarship, a scholarship for full-time students at a 2- or 4-year college, and one to a high school senior attending the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, VA. Awards are to help Native American college, university, and technical school students striving to get an education. Awards are judged on financial need and academic achievement. See website for deadline.

Dr. Roe B. Lewis Memorial Scholarships
www.swindianag.com/scholarship.html
Provides financial assistance to American Indians studying in a field related to agriculture or natural resources. See website for deadline.

Fog Woman Coffee Scholarship
www.fogwomancoffee.com/scholarship.html
This scholarship is open to all Alaska Natives with selection criteria including financial need, academic achievement, positive community impact, educational goals, and veteran status See website for deadline.
**Fort Lewis College Foundation**  
Durango, CO | Ph: (877) 352-2656  
[www.fortlewis.edu | admissions@fortlewis.edu](http://www.fortlewis.edu)  
Fort Lewis College offers Native American Tuition Waivers and Tribal Scholarships to attend Fort Lewis College tuition free. The student will still be responsible for payment of the college fees, room, and board.

**Helen Trueheart Cox Art Scholarship**  
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 785-1997  
[www.americanpenwomen.org](http://www.americanpenwomen.org)  
Provides financial assistance to Native American women interested in studying art for undergraduate or graduate work. See website for the deadline and additional details, amount varies.

**Indian Health Services (IHS)**  
Rockville, MD | Ph: (301) 443-6197  
[www.ihs.gov/scholarship](http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship)  
Provides scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students that are Alaska Native or American Indian toward needed careers in healthcare. IHS currently funds three Health Career Scholarship Programs to train the professional health personnel necessary to staff IHS health programs serving the Indian people. Scholarships can be renewed after initial award. Deadlines and annual award amounts vary.

**Intertribal Timber Council (ITC)**  
Portland, OR | Ph: (503) 282-4296  
[www.itcnet.org | itc1@teleport.com](http://www.itcnet.org)  
The ITC Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program provides scholarships to Native American and Alaska Native students pursuing higher education in Natural Resources and related fields (e.g. science). See website for deadline.

**Joan Hamilton Memorial Scholarship at the American Civil Liberties Union of Alaska**  
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 258-0288  
[www.aluak.org/en/joan-hamilton-scholarship scholarship@aluak.org](http://www.aluak.org/en/joan-hamilton-scholarship)  
This scholarship offers up to $2,500 per academic year to fund college, graduate, and vocational studies with renewal awards available by reapplying. They invite applications from high school seniors or college and vocational students who wish to pursue a career related to the law, become advocates of Alaska Native rights, and defend the constitutional rights and civil liberties of the peoples of rural Alaska. See website for deadline.

**Miss Indian USA Scholarship Program**  
[www.indians.org/miss-indian-usa-program.html](http://www.indians.org/miss-indian-usa-program.html)  
To recognize and reward the most beautiful and talented Indian women, sponsored by the American Indian Heritage Foundation in Washington D.C. each year. Native American women between the ages of 18 and 26 are eligible to enter this national contest. Deadline: May of each year, see website for details.

**The Morris K. Udall Foundation**  
Tucson, AZ | Ph: (520) 901-8500  
[www.udall.gov | info@udall.gov](http://www.udall.gov)  
Awards scholarships and honorable mention awards based on merit to sophomore and junior level college students. Available to students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to the environment or to Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated a commitment to careers related to tribal public policy or Native health care. See website for deadline.

**Native American Journalists Association Scholarships**  
Norman, OK | Ph: (405) 325-1649  
[www.naja.com](http://www.naja.com)  
Provides financial assistance to student members of the Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) who are interested in a career in journalism or journalism education. Check website for details.

**Neal O. Thorpe Memorial Scholarship**  
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 334-6700  
[www.alaskacf.org | info@alaskacf.org](http://www.alaskacf.org)  
To support Alaskan students’ attendance to one of 15 eligible universities and colleges in the Pacific Northwest with a strong preference for Alaska Native students and those first in their immediate family to attend postsecondary school. See website for deadline.

**Partnership with Native Americans**  
Addison, TX | Ph: (800) 416-8102  
[www.nativepartnership.org](http://www.nativepartnership.org)  
PWNA provides scholarships to undergraduate and graduate Native American students. The focus is on applicants who are most often in the middle range of the academic ranking but who have serious drive and a demonstrated ability to overcome obstacles. Deadlines and amounts vary. They also:

- Provide grants to post-secondary schools to equip students with pre-requisite “tools for learning” that they need and cannot afford.
- Provide grants and emergency funding to universities, tribal colleges, and other groups committed to American Indian education, retention and funding for Native American students.

**Preparing Indigenous Teachers & Administrators for Alaska Schools at University of Alaska Southeast**  
Juneau, AK | Ph: (907) 796-6058  
[www.uas.alaska.edu/dir/rcadientebrown.html](http://www.uas.alaska.edu/dir/rcadientebrown.html)  
Preparing Indigenous Teachers & Administrators for Alaska Schools (PITAAS) at the University of Alaska Southeast is a mentor and teacher-training program to encourage and retain indigenous students. PITAAS provides scholarship funds for Alaska Native students who plan to teach in Alaska public schools after graduation. The program also supports those pursuing a Master of Arts in Teaching and/or Graduate Certificate, Principle Endorsement, and M.Ed. students with mentorship and funding opportunities. See website for details.

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I believe that I am contributing to a positive Alaska Native community by showing that we can do anything we set our minds to.
Recruitment and Retention of Alaska Natives into Nursing at University of Alaska Anchorage
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 786-6978
www.nursing.uaa.alaska.edu/rrann/
Recruitment and Retention of Alaska Natives into Nursing (RRANN) provides financial assistance for tuition and other educational expenses to students currently enrolled in a nursing degree program through the University of Alaska Anchorage. Applicants must be Alaska residents. Preference is given to Alaska Native and American Indian students. See website for eligibility and deadline details.

Schmidt Charitable Trust
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 786-7445
www.schmidttrustalaska.org
The Edward and Anna Range Schmidt Charitable Trust offers grants and emergency financial assistance for Alaska Native students of Earth and Environmental Science (internship support, travel and/or expenses related to workshops and science fairs, support needed to secure employment in science-related fields or emergency needs). They accept applications anytime and must be made by letter from a sponsor. Write to: PO Box 770982, Eagle River, AK 99577 or call Nora Shew or Frederic Wilson at 1.907.786.7445/7448

Seattle Chapter AWIS Scholarships
www.seattleawis.org/award/scholarships
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native American and women undergraduates from any state majoring in science mathematics, or engineering at colleges and universities in Washington. See website for deadline.

Semester in Washington Native American Political Leadership Scholarship Program
Washington D.C. | Ph: 202-994-4363
www.semesterinwashington.gwu.edu/naplp
The Native American Political Leadership Program (NAPLP) is a full scholarship for Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian students who want to take part in Semester in Washington Politics. It is open to undergraduate and graduate students, including those who have completed their undergraduate degree but have not yet enrolled in a graduate program. NAPLP is made possible by a generous grant from the AT&T Foundation. See website for deadline.

Sovereign Nations Scholarship Fund
www.saa.org | Ph: (202) 789-8200 | info@saa.org
The Native American Scholarship Fund is an endowment established to foster a sense of Shared purpose and positive interaction between archaeologists and Native Americans. Scholarships are open to all Native peoples. See website for deadline.

Winners for Life Foundation Scholarship
www.wfffoundation.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American college students studying any field at any tribal college or university. See website for deadline.

All Underrepresented Minorities

American Association of Advertising Agencies
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 682-2500 | (800) 676-9333
www.aaaa.org | maip@aaaa.org
Provides the Bill Bernbach Diversity Scholarship to students studying advertising at the undergraduate and graduate school levels and Operation JumpStart III to students of diverse backgrounds at post-graduate portfolio schools to increase the diversity of art directors and copywriters in the advertising industry.

American Association of Women Dentists
Chicago, IL | Ph: (872) 395-6666
www.aawd.org | info@aawd.org
Provides scholarships to dental students who have shown academic distinction and demonstration of excellence in research. Deadlines vary.

American Association of University Women
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 785-7700 | (800) 326-2289
www.aauw.org | connect@aauw.org
Administers scholarships, fellowships, grants, and internship programs to advance education, research, and self-development for women and to foster equity and positive societal change. Deadlines vary.

American Dental Association, ADA Foundation
Chicago, IL | Ph: (312) 440-2500 | www.ada.org
The ADA Foundation funds scholarships for dental student, underrepresented minority dental students and allied dental students including dental hygiene, dental assisting and dental laboratory technology. Submission deadlines vary and application materials must be obtained from the applicant's school. Deadlines vary.

American Dental Hygienists Association
Chicago, IL | Ph: (312) 440-8930
www.adha.org | education@adha.net
Provides scholarships for dental students, underrepresented minority dental students and allied dental students. Including dental hygiene, dental assisting, and dental laboratory technology.

American Geosciences Institute
Alexandria, VA | Ph: (703) 379-2480
www.americangeosciences.org
Provides scholarships to ethnic-minority students currently enrolled full-time at an accredited institution a geoscience program including the geoscience sub-disciplines of geology, geophysics, geochemistry, hydrology, physical oceanography, planetary geology, or earth-science education. See website for deadline.

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 596-6200
www.aicpa.org | academics@aicpa.org
Provides scholarships to minority students enrolled full-time as an undergraduate or graduate in an accounting program at an accredited 4-year institution. See website for deadline.
American Meteorological Society Minority Scholarships
Ph: (617)227-2426 | www.ametsoc.org
Provides award funding to minority students who have been traditionally underrepresented in the sciences, especially Native American, Hispanic and African American students. Check website for eligible majors and other application details, including deadlines.

ANA Multicultural Excellence Scholarship
www.aaa.org/careers/scholarships/
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other diverse students who are working on an undergraduate degree in advertising. See website for deadline.

American Political Science Association
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 483-2512
www.apsanet.org | apsa@apsanet.org
APSA provides scholarships, fellowships and a mentorship programs to aid minorities in the political science discipline. Deadlines, awards, and eligibility requirements vary. See website for additional details and find out if there is a local chapter available.

American Physical Therapy Association
www.apta.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students who are interested in becoming a physical therapist or physical therapy assistant. The stipend varies; recently, minimum awards were $6,000 for physical therapy students or $2500 for physical therapy assistant students. See website for deadline.

American Society of Landscape Architects
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 898-2444
www.asla.org/scholarships.aspx | info@asla.org
Provides financial assistance to upper-division students, especially Native Americans and other disadvantaged and underrepresented groups, who are working on a degree in landscape architecture. Check website for details.

Association for Women Geoscientists Scholarship
www.awg.org/EAS/minority.html
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority women who are interested in working on an undergraduate degree in the geosciences. Check website for deadline.

BDPA Education & Technology Foundation
College Park, MD | Ph: (513) 284-4968
www.betf.org | info@betf.org
Provides financial assistance to students from underserved communities who are studying in the fields of computer science, mathematics, information technology, and related fields. Deadline: See website.

Bill Dickey Golf Scholarships
Tempe, AZ | Ph: (480) 965-8044
www.nmjgsa.org | andrea@bdscholar.org
Provides scholarships to graduating high school seniors and current undergraduate students who are members of minority groups. Selection is based on academic achievement, personal recommendations, and participation in golf, school, community activities, and financial need. See website for deadline.

Breakthrough to Nursing Scholarships
www.forevernursing.com
Provides financial assistance to minority undergraduate and graduate students who wish to prepare for careers in nursing. Check website for details, including additional programs that may be eligible for scholarships. See website for deadline.

Brown & Caldwell Minority Scholarship
Lakewood, CO | Ph: (303) 239-5400
www.brownandcaldwell.com | scholarships@brwncald.com
Provides financial assistance minority students working on an undergraduate degree in an environmental science or engineering field. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA and declared a major in civil, chemical, or environmental engineering or an environmental science (e.g., biology, ecology, geology, hydrogeology, industrial hygiene, toxicology). 250 word essay required. See website for deadline.

Dwight Mosley Scholarships
White Plains, NY | Ph: (917) 696-7223
www.ustafoundation.com | foundation@usta.com
Provides financial assistance for college to high school seniors from diverse ethnic backgrounds who have participated in an organized community tennis program. See website for deadline.

Educational Foundation for Women in Accounting
Dayton, OH | Ph: (937) 424-3391
www.efwa.org | info@efwa.org
Provides several different types of scholarships for female accounting students at both the undergraduate and graduate level. See website for details.

Ethel Montgomery Scholarship Fund
foslam.org/scholarship | marjoriemenzi@msn.com
Provides financial assistance to students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in museum studies. Applicants must be enrolled in an Alaskan federally recognized tribe. All applications must be completed and emailed or postmarked before the deadline. See website for details.

Generation Google Scholarship
www.google.com/edu/scholarships
Generation Google Scholarship: Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minorities planning to work on a bachelor's degree in a computer-related field.

Go Red Multicultural Scholarship Fund
www.google.com/edu/students/the-generation-google
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minorities planning to work on a bachelor’s degree in a computer-related field.

Goldman Sachs Scholarship for Excellence
www.goldmansachs.com | iris.birungi@gs.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native Americans and other underrepresented minority students preparing for a career in the financial services industry. See website for deadline.
HECUA Scholarships for Social and Racial Justice
www.hecu.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other students from targeted groups who are enrolled in programs or internships of the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs (HECUA) at participating colleges and universities. See website for details.

Horace & Susie Revels Cayton Scholarship
Seattle, WA | Ph: (206) 623-8632
www.prsapugetsound.org | prsa-office@asi-seattle.net
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority upper-classmen from Washington State who are interested in preparing for a career in public relations. See website for deadline.

Hyatt Hotels Fund for Minority Students
Washington, D.C. | Ph: (202) 289-3180
www.ahlef.org | ahlef_questions@ahlef.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority students working on a degree or certificate in hotel management. See website for deadline.

Industry Minority Scholarships
Washington, D.C. | Ph: (617) 227-2425
www.ametsoc.org | amsinfo@ametsoc.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other underrepresented minority students entering college to major in meteorology or an aspect of atmospheric sciences. See website for deadline.

John & Muriel Landis Scholarships
www.ans.org/honors/scholarships
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other graduate students who are interested in preparing for a career in nuclear-related fields. See website for deadline.

The Lagrant Foundation
Los Angeles, CA | Ph: (323) 469-8680 ext. 240
www.lagrantfoundation.org | tlfinfo@lagrant.com
Provides undergraduate and graduate scholarships and support like mentorship to minority students in the fields of advertising, marketing, and public relations. Scholarship recipients also receive a trip to Detroit for career building activities. See website for deadline.

Marathon Oil Corporation College Scholarship
www.hsf.net
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority upper-division students working on a degree in a field related to the oil and gas industry.

Marcia Silverman Minority Student Award
www.prssa.org/scholarships_competitions/individual
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority college seniors who are interested in preparing for a career in public relations.

Minorities in Hospitality Scholars Program
www.franchise.org/special-programs-and-scholarships
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students working on an undergraduate degree related to hospitality. See website for deadline.

Minority Geoscience Student Scholarships
www.americangeosciences.org/scholarships
Provides financial assistance to underrepresented minority undergraduate and graduate students interested in working on a degree in the geosciences, or earth science education. Students in other natural sciences, mathematics, or engineering are not eligible. See website for details/requirements of each individual scholarship program. See website for deadline.

Minorities in Government Finance Scholarship
www.gfoa.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority upper division and graduate students who are preparing for a career in state and local government finance. See website for deadline.

Minority Nurse Scholarship Program
www.minoritynurse.com
Scholarship money abounds for students pursuing undergraduate or graduate education in nursing. All awards have various criteria for recipients, which may include financial need, academic achievement and involvement in community service. In addition, some awards require the recipient to work in a specific location (often a medically underserved area) after graduation. See website for more detailed information. See website for deadline.

Minority Scholarship Awards for Chemical Engineering
www.aiche.org/community/awards
Provides financial assistance for the undergraduate study of chemical engineering to Native Americans and other underrepresented minority student members of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE). Minimum 3.0 GPA required. See website for deadline.

Minority Scholarship in Classics & Archaeology
www.classicalstudies.org
Provides financial assistance to students pursuing advanced work in the fields of classics and/or classical archaeology. Students in other natural sciences, earth science, or classical archaeology are not eligible. See website for more information.

Moss Adams Foundation Scholarship
www.efwa.org/scholarships.php
Provides multiple scholarship opportunities to women working on an accounting degree at the undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate levels. Moss Adams also provides financial support through the Women in Transition program, which provides up to $16,000 over 4 years to a woman who is the primary source of support for her family. See website for deadline.

Mutual of Omaha Actuarial Scholarship
www.mutualofomaha.com | diversity@mutualofomaha.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native Americans and other minority undergraduate students who are preparing for an actuarial career. See website for deadline.

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NASA Motivating Undergraduates in Science & Technology Scholarship Program
www.nasa.gov | vanessa.r.webbs@nasa.gov
Provides financial assistance to students who are working on an undergraduate degree in a field of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics. 3.0 GPA required. See website for deadline.

National Association of Multicultural Engineering Program Advocates
West Lafayette, IN | Ph: (765) 494-4936
www.namepa.org | namepa@namepa.org
Offers both national and regional scholarships for students who have demonstrated potential and interest in pursuing an undergraduate degree in engineering. Minimum 2.7 GPA. See website for deadline.

National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration Partnership with Minority Serving Institutions
sanctuaries.noaa.gov/education/
Provides financial assistance and research experience to students who are attending minority serving institutions and are majoring in scientific fields of interest to NOAA. See website for deadline.

National Weather Association (NWA) Scholarships
Norman, OK | Ph: (405) 701-5167
www.nwas.org | exdir@nwas.org
NWA has multiple scholarships and grants available for students working toward careers in meteorology and weather service fields- amounts vary. The David Sankey Minority Scholarship is specifically Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in meteorology. See website for deadline.

The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
Oklahoma, OK | Ph: (405) 685-7969 | (800) 994-1929
www.ninety-nines.org | 99s@ninety-nines.org
The 99’s promote fellowship through flight, provide networking and scholarship opportunities for women, and preserve the unique history of women in aviation. See website for additional information.

Northwest Journalists of Color Scholarship
www.aajaseattle.org | info@aajaseattle.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students from Washington state who are interested in careers in journalism. Check website for additional details and deadline.

NSCA Minority Scholarships
www.nsca.com
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students who are interested in working toward an undergraduate or graduate degree in strength training and conditioning. Check website for specific majors and deadline.

PDEF Mickey Williams Minority Student Scholarship
www.snmmi.org
Provides financial support to Native American and other minority students working on an associate or bachelor’s degree in nuclear medicine technology. See website for deadline.

Richard B. Fisher Scholarship
www.morganstanley.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native Americans and members of other underrepresented groups who are planning for a career in technology within the financial services industry. See website for deadline.

Royce Osborn Minority Student Scholarships
www.asrftfoundation.org
Provides financial assistance to minority students enrolled in entry-level radiologic sciences programs. See website for additional eligibility and program details. See website for deadline.

National Nurses United
Silver Spring, MD | Ph: (240) 235-2000
www.nationalnursesunited.org
Provides financial assistance to students from diverse ethnic backgrounds who are enrolled in an associate program in nursing in California. See website for deadline.

Scholarships for Minority Accounting Students
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 596-6200
www.aicpa.org | academics@aicpa.org
Provides financial assistance to minority students interested in studying accounting at the undergraduate or graduate school level. See website for deadline.

Scotts Company Scholars Program
www.gcsaa.org
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience to college students, particularly those from diverse backgrounds, who are preparing for a career in golf management. See website for deadline.

Shell Incentive Fund Scholarships
www.shell.com
Provides financial assistance to minority students majoring in specified engineering (chemical, civil, electrical, geological, geophysical, mechanical or petroleum) and geoscience fields (geology, geophysics, or physics) at designated universities. See website for deadline.

Society of Women Engineers
Chicago, IL | Ph: (312) 596-5223
www.societyofwomenengineers.swe.org
Provides scholarships to female undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in a baccalaureate or graduate ABET/CSAB accredited engineering, computer science degree program, or in a computer science program at an ABET approved school. Provides international scholarships. Deadlines differ based on class standing, check website.

Snell & Wilmer LSAT Preparation
Phoenix, AZ | Ph: (602) 382-6654
www.swlaw.com | sterbach@swlaw.com
Provides scholarships for LSAT registration fees and an LSAT preparation course with an approved course provider, including ACE, Kaplan, Princeton Review, Score It Up, and Test Masters. See website for additional details and eligibility requirements, deadlines vary.
Surety & fidelity Insurance Scholarship Program
www.thesuretyffoundation.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority undergraduates working on a degree in a field related to insurance. See website for deadline.

Maine Better Transportation Association
www.mbaonline.org | Ph: (207) 622-0526
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other undergraduate and graduate minority students working on a degree in a field related to transportation.

General Scholarships

Aircraft Electronics Association
Lee’s Summit, MO | Ph: (816) 347-8400
www.aea.net/EducationalFoundation | info@aea.net
Provides scholarships, training, and career resources to students seeking careers in the aircraft electronics and aviation maintenance industry.

Alaska Air Carriers Association
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 277-0071
www.alaskaaircarriers.org | jane@alaskaaircarriers.org
Provides scholarships to full-time students enrolled at an accredited college or university, licensed flight school, or certified A&P program. See website for deadline.

AmeriCorps Programs in Community Service
Washington, D.C. | Ph: (202) 606-5000
www.nationalservice.gov
Provides full-time educational awards in return for work in community service by the Corporation for National & Community Service; see website.

Asian-American Journalists Association
San Francisco, CA | Ph: (415) 346-2051
www.aaja.org | national@aaja.org
Provides scholarships to outstanding undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in pursuing careers in print, broadcast, or photojournalism.

Automotive Hall of Fame
Dearborn, MI | Ph: (313) 240-4000
www.automotivehalloffame.org/scholarships/
Provides scholarships to students interested in an automotive career and enrolled full time at an accredited college, university, or trade school. Minimum 3.0 GPA. See website for deadline.

Bill Countryman Scholarship Program
Anchorage, AK
www.cu1.org/education/
Each year, Credit Union 1 is proud to offer the Bill Countryman Scholarship program to qualified Alaska applicants.

California Association of Realtors Foundation
Los Angeles, CA | Ph: (213) 739-8200
www.car.org
Provides scholarships to graduates and undergraduates attending a California college or university, pursuing a degree in a real estate related field. Applicant must be a resident of California. Check website for deadlines.

California Library Association
San Mateo, CA | Ph: (626) 239-1776
www.cla-net.org | pgarone@cla-net.org
Provides scholarships to college seniors, college graduates and beginning library school students enrolled in library or information science schools in California. See website for deadlines.

California Student Aid Commission
San Mateo, CA | Ph: (888) 224-7268
www.calgrants.org | studentsupport@csac.ca.gov
Assumption Program of Loans for Education (APLE) available to college juniors and seniors majoring in Education are eligible to apply. The program will forgive up to $11,000 in outstanding college loan balances in return for agreement that the participant teach in a California public school for three years upon graduation. See website for deadline.

Colgate Professional
New York, NY | Ph: (800) 266-5428
www.colgateprofessional.com
Provides scholarships to students enrolled in dental programs. Visit the Colgate website to review a list of available awards and criteria.

Conference of Minority Transportation Officials
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 857-8065 | www.comto.org
A variety of scholarships are available to students who have a career interest in transportation and related fields (e.g. engineering). Applicants may be graduating high school seniors or college students. See website for deadline.

Dr. Joseph Jacobs Scholarship Program
www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/jacobs/faq
Provides financial assistance and work experience to students with one or more parent that is an employee of Jacobs, studying a STEM field. See website for deadline.

Education Is Freedom (EIF)
Dallas, TX | Ph: (877) 642-6343
www.educationisfreedom.org
EIF exclusive national scholarship program provides college scholarships to high school seniors, college freshman and sophomores towards accredited college or university tuition and fees. See website for deadline.

Elks National Foundation
Chicago, IL | Ph: (773) 755-4732
www.elks.org | scholarship@elks.org
Provides scholarship programs for undergraduate study, emergency educational grants, and medical school. The Most Valuable Student provides 4-year scholarships to 500 high school students each year, up to $50,000. Legacy awards are for children or grandchildren of members. Medical school scholarships are available to current or former recipients of Elk’s Foundation scholarships. See website for full details.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund
Gardena, CA | Ph: (310) 975-3700 | www.hsf.net
Provides awards to Latino students attending an accredited 4-year not-for-profit university or graduate school. Requires 3.0 GPA for high school students, 2.5 GPA requirement for current university students. See website for deadline.
Institute of International Education
Houston, TX | Ph: (832) 369-3481
www.iie.org/gilman | gilmandocs@iie.org
Provides awards for U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad. Applicants must apply to or have been accepted into a study abroad program eligible for credit at the home institution. Eligible for up to one year and at least four weeks. A limited number of Critical Need Language Supplements are available for students studying a critical need language. A list of eligible languages can be found on the Gilman website. See website for deadline.

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarship
Lansdowne, VA | Ph: (703) 723-8000 | www.jkcf.org
Provides funding for students who plan on transferring from a community college to finish their bachelor’s degree at a top four-year college in the United States. 3.5 GPA requirement. See website for deadline.

Lincoln Community Foundation
Lincoln, NE | Ph: (402) 474-2345
www.lcf.org | lcf@lcf.org
Administers scholarships with varying criteria for eligibility, available to students living in and outside of Lincoln, Nebraska. See website for deadline.

Mat-Su Health Foundation
Wasilla, AK | Ph: (907) 352-2863
www.healthymatsu.org | vreese@healthymatsu.org
Mat-Su Health Foundation (MSHF) Awards scholarships and grants to residents of the Mat-Su Borough pursuing a health related career. Check website for complete details, including deadlines.

Mensa Education and Research Foundation
Arlington, TX | Ph: (817) 607-5577
www.mensafoundation.org | info@mensafoundation.org
Awards scholarships based on essays written by the applicants. Award amount varies. Additional opportunities are available to MENSA members, but membership is not required to apply. No minimum GPA. See website for deadline.

Microsoft Corporation
www.careers.microsoft.com
Provides scholarships to students enrolled full-time at an accredited college or university in the United States, Canada, or Mexico in an undergraduate degree in computer science, computer engineering, or related technical discipline such as electrical engineering, math, or physics. See website for deadline.

National Urban League
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 558-5300
www.nul iamempowered.com
Offers college scholarships to African American youth to attend post-secondary education institutions. See website for further information.

Navy League Scholarships
www.nayyleague.org | Ph: (703) 528-1775
Offers scholarships to military personnel and dependents of military personnel. There are several scholarships with varying amounts and requirements. Check website for details on each individual scholarship.

National Defense Transportation Association
Alexandria, VA | Ph: (703) 751-5011
www.ndtahq.com | jim@ndtahq.com
Provides scholarships to undergraduates pursuing a degree in Transportation, Business, Logistics, or Distribution. Applicant must also be a member or child of a member of NDTA. See website for deadline.

National Society of Professional Engineers
Alexandria, VA | Ph: (703) 684-2800 | (888) 285-6773
www.nspe.org | education@nspe.org
NSPE administers scholarship programs for engineers in all disciplines. Students attending ABET-accredited schools and female students are eligible for additional opportunities. High school seniors, undergraduates, and graduate students can apply. See website for deadline.

National Space Club
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 574-0060
www.spaceclub.org | info@spaceclub.org
Provides scholarships to U.S. citizens enrolled in the junior year or higher at an accredited university and pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies in science or engineering. See website for deadline.

National Student Nurses Association
Brooklyn, NY | Ph: (718) 210-0705
www.nsna.org | nsna@nsna.org
Available to U.S. citizens and students with an Alien Registration number currently enrolled in state-approved schools of nursing or pre-nursing in associate degree, baccalaureate, diploma, generic doctorate, and generic master’s programs. Funds are only available for graduate study when it is for a first degree in nursing. See website for deadline.

Oncology Nursing Society Foundation
Pittsburgh, PA | Ph: (866) 257-4667
www.onsfoundation.org | info@onsfoundation.org
Provides scholarship and research grants to nurses and nursing students devoted to the care of individuals with cancer and to the specialty of oncology nursing. Complete information and application are available online.

Phi Delta Kappa International
Ph: (812) 339-1156 | (800) 766-1156
www.pdkintl.org | customerservice@pdkintl.org
Provides scholarships, fellowships and other awards to members of Phi Delta Kappa (PDK). PDK Educational Foundation awards scholarships to future educators and education graduate students.

PHCC Educational Foundation
Fall Church, VA | Ph: (800)533-7694
www.phccfoundation.org | foundation@naphcc.org
Provides scholarships to apprentice and trade (vocational) students in plumbing or HVAC programs, and college students pursuing an industry-related degree. See website for deadline.

Presbyterian Church USA
Louisville, KY | Ph: (800) 728-7228
www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/financialaid
Provides scholarships to students enrolled in a participating college related to the Presbyterian Church.
Public Policy and International Affairs Program
Washington, DC | Ph: (877) 774-2001
www.ppiaprogram.org
PPIA Fellowship & Junior Summer Institute is a series of educational developmental programs that span from the end of a student's junior year in college to the completion of a master's degree in public policy, public administration, and/or international affairs. Program provides full tuition to attend PPIA Junior Summer Institute, plus up to $1,500 stipend and a minimum $5,000 toward graduate school tuition.

Public Relations Student Society of America
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 460-1474
www.prssa.org | prssa@prsa.org
Provides scholarships to undergraduate students enrolled at a 4-year accredited institution pursuing a major in public relations, journalism, or communications. Demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career in public relations.

Radio Television Digital News Foundation Scholarships
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 223-4007
www.rtdna.org
Provides several named scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students attending a university or college working toward a career in broadcast and electronic journalism. Must be sophomore standing or higher.

Salvadoran American Leadership Foundation
Los Angeles, CA | Ph: (213) 480-1052
www.salef.org | imgonzalez@salef.org
Offers financial assistance and support to undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. Applicants must be of Central American or other Latino ethnicity, and demonstrate financial need and a history of community involvement.

Shape America Scholarships
Reston, VA | Ph: (703) 476-3400 | (800) 213-7193
www.shapeamerica.org
Provides scholarships to students who are majoring in the health, physical education, recreation, and dance fields by the Society of Health and Physical Education.

Sociologists for Women in Society Scholarships
www.socwomen.org/
Promoting research, teaching, and writings on topics relating to feminism and women. Different scholarships focus on different specialty areas, and all have varying criteria.

SPIE Scholarships in Optics and Photonics
Bellingham, WA | Ph: (360) 676-3290
www.spie.org | scholarships@spie.org
Provides education and travel scholarships to student members of SPIE enrolled in an optics, photonics, imaging, or optoelectronics program or related discipline (e.g. physics) at an accredited school. High school students are eligible to receive a one-time, one-year complimentary membership. See website for deadline.

The Tailhook Association
San Diego, CA Ph: (858) 689-9223
www.tailhook.net | tag@tailhook.net
Provides scholarships to high school graduates enrolled in an accredited college or university program. Applicants must be the natural, step, or adopted descendant of a current or former Naval or Marine Corps Aviator, Flight Officer, or Air Crewmember, Officer, Enlisted Individual. See website for deadline.

TELCU
Los Angeles, CA Ph: (323) 721-1655
www.telacu.com | info@TELACU.com
Offers combined financial assistance with educational programs. Provides skill-building seminars, counseling, peer mentoring, leadership development activities, internships, and mentoring to further equip and prepare TELACU Scholars for their chosen careers. Supports scholars in California, Illinois, Texas, and New York. See website for deadline.

The Alaska Community Foundation
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 334-6700
www.alaskacf.org | info@alaskacf.org
Administers various scholarship and grant programs for high school, college, and graduate level students. Each program has individual criteria, deadlines, and requirements, and includes support for aviation, engineering, history, hospitality, music, nursing, science, technology among others. See website for deadlines.

- JJ Klein Scholarship
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University of California Davis
School of Veterinary Medicine
Davis, CA Ph: (530) 752-9246
www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu | ccmaher@ucdavis.edu
Provides scholarships to students who have completed one year of college in sciences and are interested in Veterinary Medicine. See website for deadline.

I am inspired by the leadership around me at school and see how I can work within the Native community professionally while growing personally through my studies.
XI: High School Programs and Scholarships

Many scholarships and colleges ask about involvement. The following is a list of scholarships and programs available to high school students and graduating high school seniors. There are also many local opportunities for connecting with one’s community and culture- check out the Tribal, non-profit, and education organizations where you live to learn more.

Scholarships for High School Seniors

Alaska Community Foundation
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 334-6700 www.alaskacf.org | info@alaskacf.org
Provides a variety of scholarships that graduating high school seniors are eligible to apply for, including the following specific opportunities. See website for details.

- Specific High School Scholarships
  Provides awards toward educational expenses for graduating high school students from the following.
  Deadlines vary. Alaska high schools:
  Hoonah  Kenai Central  Ketchikan
  Nikiski  Ninilchik  Seward
  Sitka  West (Anch.)  Wrangell

- Nordic Skiing Association of Anchorage
  Provides award toward educational expenses at a college or university to Alaska residents who are high school seniors or currently enrolled college students. Applicants must be members of the high school cross-country ski team during their junior and senior years and must have individual or family memberships in the NSAA. See website for details.

Alaska Performance Scholarship Program
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (800) 441-2962 | (907) 465-2962 www.acpe.alaska.gov/financial-aid | ACPE@alaska.gov
The Alaska Performance Scholarship Program provides scholarships to Alaska residents who graduate from an Alaska high school on or after January 1, 2013, and who meet requirements. High school graduate includes graduates from public schools and private schools, and home school students who have taken the required courses. Students who hold GEDs are not eligible. Apply by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than June 30. Check the website for potential date changes.

American Indian Graduate Center
Albuquerque, NM | Ph: (505) 881-4584 | (800) 628-1920 www.aigcs.org
AIGC provides scholarships to American Indian and Alaska Native high school seniors as part of the All Native American High School Academic Team. Must be a member or descendant of a federally recognized tribe.

Coca-Cola Scholars Program
Atlanta, GA | Ph: (800) 306-2653 www.coca-colascholars.org | scholars@coca-com
Provides scholarships to high school seniors in the U.S. planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution; minimum 3.0 GPA. Applicants must not be children or grandchildren of employees, officers or owners of Coca-Cola companies. Deadline: October 31.

ELKS Foundation– Most Valuable Student
Ph: (773) 755-4732 | Scholarship@elks.org www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm
Applicants must be current high school seniors and will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. See website for deadline.

Have It Your Way Foundation, Inc.
Miami, FL | Ph: (507) 931-1682 www.scholarsapply.org/burgerkingscholars/
Provides a one-time non-renewable scholarship award of $1,000. An eligible applicant must be a current high school senior that will be enrolling full-time in the fall term of the scholarship year and must be employed part-time for at least 10 hours per week, demonstrate financial need and participation in community service and extracurricular activities. Minimum 2.5 GPA. See website for deadline.

Jackie Robinson Foundation
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 290-8600 www.jackierobinson.org
Jackie Robinson Foundation Minority Scholarship program provides scholarships to high school seniors entering an accredited college or university as a freshman. See website for deadline.

National Merit Scholarship Corporation
Evanston, IL | Ph: (847) 866-5100 www.nationalmerit.org
Available to United States citizens enrolled in high school. Award selections are based on information supplied by the student on the PSAT/NMSQT answer sheet to determine whether the individual meets requirements for participation in the programs.

Ron Brown Scholar Program
Charlottesville, VA | Ph: (434) 964-1588 www.ronbrown.org | info@ronbrown.org
Provides scholarships to African-American high school seniors seeking acceptance in a four-year accredited college or university in any academic discipline. See website for deadlines.
High School Student Programs

**ANSEP Univ. of Alaska Anchorage Summer Bridge**
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 786-1860  
[www.ansep.net](http://www.ansep.net)
The Summer Bridge program is available to recent high school graduates interested in engineering and science fields who will be attending UAA in the fall. Participants live on campus for nine weeks before their first year at UAA. Students who successfully complete the program are awarded scholarship support.

**Bank of America Student Leaders**
[www.bankofamerica.com](http://www.bankofamerica.com) | Ph: (800) 218-9946
For high school juniors and seniors. An eight-week paid internship at a local non-profit/charitable organization, including one week spent attending a Student Leadership Summit in Washington, DC (all expenses paid). Check website for full details, including deadlines.

**College Horizons**
Pena Blanca, NM | Ph: (505) 401-3854  
[www.collegehorizons.org](http://www.collegehorizons.org)
College Horizons is a pre-college workshop for Alaska Native and Native American high school students giving students a five-day ‘crash course’ in preparing for college. Participants will be limited to 90 for each participating college site cohort. Must be current sophomores or juniors. See website for full details.

**Discover Scholarship Program**
Ph: (866) 756-7932  
[www.discoverfinancial.com](http://www.discoverfinancial.com) | [info@applyists.com](mailto:info@applyists.com)
Awards scholarships annually to high school juniors nationwide to support continued education and training beyond high school. Any current high school junior may apply who has a minimum 2.75 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale for 9th and 10th grades; demonstrates accomplishments in community service and leadership; and has faced a significant roadblock or challenge. Scholarships may be used for any type of education or training after high school.

**Doyon Foundation Advanced College Credit**
Fairbanks, AK | Ph: (907) 459-2048  
[www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) | [foundation@doyon.com](mailto:foundation@doyon.com)
Advanced College Credit Scholarship provides scholarships to Doyon, Limited enrollees and their descendants. Advanced College Credit Scholarships are available to high school students enrolled in college courses not paid for by their school district. Students may apply year round for funding.

**INSPIRE Native Teens Pre-College Program**
Washington D.C. | Ph: 202-994-4363  
[https://inspire.nalp.gwu.edu](https://inspire.nalp.gwu.edu) | [inspire@gwu.edu](mailto:inspire@gwu.edu)
The INSPIRE Pre-College Program is a full scholarship open to Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian high school students, including those with an anticipated spring graduation, to spend 3-weeks in the summer on the George Washington University campus to learn about intergovernmental relations between tribal governments and the federal government. Must have sophomore, junior, or senior standing to apply. See website for deadline.

**The Junior Statesman Foundation**
Burlingame, CA | Ph: (800) 334-5353  
[www.jsa.org](http://www.jsa.org) | [jsa@jsa.org](mailto:jsa@jsa.org)
Summer School Program provides students the opportunity to meet and question headline figures from government and politics such as the President, Cabinet, House and Senate leaders, Justices of the Supreme Court, journalists, and members of the diplomatic corps. High school student who will not be graduating before summer school are eligible to apply. See website for deadline.

**Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital**
Sitka, AK | Ph: (907) 966-2411  
[www.searhc.org](http://www.searhc.org) | [romeem.cadams@searhc.org](mailto:romeem.cadams@searhc.org)
High School Student Health Occupations Program provides a one-week program in Sitka for Alaska Native high school students to experience different health care careers. Students shadow doctors, dentists, nurses, x-ray technicians, and other health professionals. Provides a travel stipend. See website for deadline.

**Patty Iron Cloud Native American Youth Initiative**
Oklahoma City, OK | Ph: (405) 946-7072  
[www.aapi.org](http://www.aapi.org)
This is an intense academic enrichment and reinforcement program designed to better prepare American Indian / Alaska Native high school students to remain in the academic pipeline and pursue a career in the health professions and/or biomedical research. AAIP Native students and counselors to attend the program held each summer in Washington, D.C. Scholarship pays for lodging, most meals, and travel expenses. See website for deadline.

**QuestBridge**
Palo Alto, CA | Ph: (650) 331-3280 | (888) 275-2054  
[www.questbridge.org](http://www.questbridge.org) | [questions@questbridge.org](mailto:questions@questbridge.org)
College Prep Scholarship provides high school juniors with a strong academic record awards that equip students with the knowledge necessary to compete for individualized college admissions counseling, invitations to QuestBridge College Admissions Conferences at Stanford and Yale, and all-expense-paid visits to top college campuses.

**Rural Alaska Honors Institute (RAHI)**
Fairbanks, AK | Ph: (907) 474-5876  
[www.uaf.edu/rahi](http://www.uaf.edu/rahi) | [uaf-rahi@alaska.edu](mailto:uaf-rahi@alaska.edu)
A six-week summer program for college-bound high school juniors and seniors from rural Alaska. Attend college courses and earn up to 10 university credits. Stay on a university campus and become immersed in the college lifestyle. See website for deadline.

**Summer Business Institute— Seattle University**
[www.seattleu.edu/albers](http://www.seattleu.edu/albers)
The Albers Summer Business Institute (SBI) offers high school juniors the opportunity to explore various aspects of university and dorm life. Learn first-hand the ropes of college life including classes taught by professors. See website for deadline.
XII: Graduate Scholarships & Fellowships

The following is a list of Scholarships and Fellowships specifically geared toward Graduate students. Please review the other sections of the Handbook for additional resources. Many scholarship, grant, fellowship and internship resources listed are available to both Graduate and Undergraduate students- check with the funding organization for complete details.

Alaska Natives and American Indians

Accenture Graduate Fellowships
www.aigc.com
Provides financial assistance to Native American students interested in working on a graduate or professional degree in fields related to engineering, high technology, or business. See website for deadline.

American Indian Graduate Center
Albuquerque, NM | Ph: (505) 881-4584 | (800) 628-1920
www.aigcs.org
AIGC provides support to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate students. Additional opportunities available on their website, including those for STEM, Accounting, Veterinary and more. See website for deadlines.

- Cobell Scholarship www.cobellscholar.org
  Provides financial assistance to Native American graduate students interested in any field.

- Elizabeth Furber Fellowship
  Provides financial assistance to female Native American graduate students interested in working on a degree related to the arts.

- Grace Wall Barreda Memorial Fellowship
  Provides financial assistance to Native American students interested in working on a graduate degree in environmental studies or public health.

American Indian College Fund
www.collegefund.org/student-resources/
Provides financial assistance to Native American students who are working on a graduate degree in any field. Deadlines, eligibility, and awards vary with scholarships.

American Indian Library Association Scholarship
www.ailanet.org/activities
Provides financial assistance to American Indians interested in working on a master’s degree in library and/or information science. See website for deadline.

American Library Association
Chicago, IL | Ph: (312) 944-6780 | (800) 545-2433
www.ala.org/offices/diversity/spectrum | ala@ala.org
ALA provides scholarships to graduate students enrolled in library and information studies from an ALA accredited program, or for a master's degree in school library media program that meets the ALA curriculum guidelines for a National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredited unit. See website for deadline.

American Partnership with Native Americans
Addison, TX | Ph: (800) 416-8102
www.nativepartnership.org
PWNA provides scholarships to undergraduate and graduate Native American students. The focus is on applicants who are most often in the middle range of the academic ranking but who have serious drive and a demonstrated ability to overcome obstacles. Deadlines and amounts vary.

Association on American Indian Affairs
Rockville, MD | Ph: (240) 314-7155
www.indian-affairs.org | lw.aaia@indian-affairs.org
Offers scholarships to Native American graduate students. The requirements for and specifics of each scholarship may be different. Must be members of federally recognized tribes and at least ¼ Indian blood unless otherwise stated. Deadlines vary.

- Allogan Slagle Memorial Scholarship
  This scholarship is the only scholarship in the U.S. created specifically for students from tribes not recognized by the federal government. Students from state-recognized tribes may apply.

- David Risling Emergency Aid
  The AAIA David Risling Emergency Aid is for students who have sudden, non-expected emergencies that would result in the student leaving school. Federal recognition not required.

- Elizabeth & Sherman Asche Memorial Scholarship
  Provides financial assistance to undergraduate and graduate students in public health, healthcare, or science fields.

- Florence Young Memorial Scholarship
  Provides a one-year scholarship to graduate students in art, law, or public health fields.

- Sequoyah Graduate Fellowship
  Provides a one-year scholarship to graduate students in all fields of study.

Dartmouth Native American Programs
www.native-american.dartmouth.edu
In addition to Native American programming at the undergraduate level, Dartmouth provides graduate support for Native American and underserved minority students.

- Charles A. Eastman Dissertation Fellowship
  One-year, in-residence, funding to Native American and other doctoral students who plan careers in college/ university teaching. See website for deadline.

- Tribal Scholar Fellowship
  Short-term research fellowships in residence with full access to Dartmouth’s resources. Deadline: Contact Department Chair (rolling)
Graduate Horizons
Pena Blanca, NM | Ph: (505) 401-3854
www.graduatehorizons.org | info@collegehorizons.org
Graduate Horizons is a four-day crash-course for Native American college students, college graduates and master’s students in preparing for graduate school. Faculty, admissions officers and deans from a host of graduate and professional schools help students: select suitable programs to apply for a given career path; complete applications and write personal statements; become a test-prep ‘whiz kid’ on the GRE, GMAT, LSAT & MCAT; explore special issues for Native students; and learn graduate school survival tips.

John F. Kennedy School of Government
Native American Public Service Fellowship
Cambridge MA | Ph: (617) 495-1152
www.ksg.harvard.edu | financial_aid@ksg.harvard.edu
Awarded to individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to matters of concern to Native American tribes, including tribal self-governance and policy. The Fellowship includes full tuition & possible stipend. The recipient is required to be employed in some form of public service directly benefiting Native Americans for a minimum of three years immediately following completion of the KSG degree.

Newberry Research Library
Chicago, IL | Ph: (312) 255-3660 | www.newberry.org
Opportunities are available for postdoctoral scholars, PhD candidates, and graduate students. Both short-term (one to two month) and long-term (four to twelve month) fellowships are available. Preference for fellowships is given to those who have not held fellowships in the previous three years.

- **Frances C. Allen Fellowship**
  Available for American Indian women in any graduate or pre-professional program. The fellowship’s tenure is from one month to one year, and fellows are expected to spend a significant amount of that time in residence at the Newberry Library. Stipend is up to $2,000 a month.

- **Susan Kelly Power & Helen Hornbeck Tanner Fellowship**
  Offered to American Indian PhD or post-doctorate scholars seeking to do residential research in the field of humanities using the Newberry collection.

Pathway to Science Scholarship Programs
www.pathwaystoscience.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American students interested in working on a graduate degree in science and health-based disciplines from dozens of different fields of study.

School for Advanced Research (SAR)
Santa Fe, NM | Ph: (505) 954-7200
www.sarweb.org | info@sarsf.org
Offers two residential fellowship programs for scholars. Resident Scholars awards six- and nine-month fellowships to scholars who have completed their research and analysis in the social sciences, humanities, and Native arts and who need time to reflect, debate, and write. Summer Scholars awards two-month fellowships to scholars in the social sciences, humanities, and Native arts to pursue research or writing projects.

Tribal Member Fellowship- UC, San Diego
www.grad.ucsd.edu/degrees/diversity/
Under the Tribal Membership Initiative, University of California (UC) San Diego’s Office of Graduate Studies is increasing diversity by providing fellowships to incoming graduate students from Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian ancestry in master’s or PhD programs.

Vine Deloria Jr. Memorial Scholarship
www.collegefund.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans for graduate school. Applicant must be able to demonstrate financial need. See website for deadline.

Washington American Indian Endowed Scholarship
www.wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship
Provides financial assistance to American Indian graduate students in Washington. Selection is based on academic merit, financial need, and documented commitment to return service to the state’s American Indian community.

All Underrepresented Grad Students

Acoustical Society of America Minority Fellowship
www.acousticalsociety.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other underrepresented minorities who are working on a graduate degree involving acoustics. See website for deadline.

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 596-6200
www.aicpa.org | academics@aicpa.org
Provides the Minority Accounting Scholarship program for minority students enrolled full-time as an undergraduate or graduate in an accounting program at an accredited 4-year institution. Minority Scholarship, see website for deadline.

American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation Scholarship for Minority Students
www.ashfoundation.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority graduate students in communication sciences and disorders programs. See website for deadline.

ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships
www.acls.org/programs/dfc
Provides research funding to doctoral candidates and fellowship opportunities to graduate students (especially Native Americans, other minorities, and women) in all disciplines of the humanities and the humanities-related social sciences who are ready to complete their doctoral dissertations.

American Musicological Society Fellowship
www.ams-net.org/fellowships/hmb.php
The American Musicological Society provides financial assistance to minority students who are working on a doctoral degree in the field of musicology with no restrictions on area of research. See website for details.
ASA Minority Fellowship Program
www.asanet.org/funding/mfp.cfm
Provides financial assistance to underrepresented minority doctoral students in sociology. Funded by the American Sociological Association. Deadline: January

Bill Bernbach Diversity Scholarships
www.bernbachdiversityscholarship.com
Provides assistance to multicultural students interested in working on a graduate or undergraduate degree in advertising at an accredited school. See website for additional details.

Consortium for Graduate Study in Management
www.cgsm.org
Provides financial assistance, fellowships, and work experience to underrepresented minority students interested in preparing for a management career in business. See website for information and deadline.

Consuelo W Gosnell Memorial Scholarships
www.naswfoundation.org/gosnell.asp
Provides financial assistance to Native American and Hispanic students interested in working on a master's degree in social work. See website for deadline.

Doctoral Fellowships in Archival Studies
www.aeri.gseis.ucla.edu/fellowships.htm#easp
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other students entering a doctoral program in archival studies at designated universities. See website for additional eligibility information and deadline.

Eisenhower Graduate Transportation Fellowship
www.fhwa.dot.gov/ugp/index
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other graduate students working on a master's or doctoral degree in transportation-related fields. See website for deadline.

Francis M. Keville Memorial Scholarship
www.bsces.org/recognition
Provides financial assistance to minority and female graduate students working on a degree in construction management. See website for deadline.

GEM MS & PhD Fellowship Programs
www.gemfellowship.org/gem-fellowship
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience to minority students interested in obtaining a master’s or PhD degree in science, math, and computer-related fields. See website for deadline.

Holly A. Cornell Scholarship
www.awwa.org
Provides financial assistance to outstanding minority and female students interested in working on a master’s degree in the field of water supply and treatment.

HUD Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program
www.oup.org
Provides funding to minority and other doctoral candidates interested in conducting dissertation research related to housing and urban development issues.

IBM PHD Fellowship Program
www.ibm.com
Provides funding and work experience to minority and other students working on a Ph.D. in a research area of broad interest to IBM.

Industry/Government Graduate Fellowships
www.ametsoc.org
To encourage Native Americans and other underrepresented students entering their first year of graduate school to work on an advanced degree in the atmospheric and related oceanic and hydrologic sciences.

Isaac J. “Ike” Crumby Minorities in Energy Grant
www.foundation.aapg.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans, other minorities, and female students who are interested in conducting research related to earth science aspects of the petroleum industry. See website for deadline.

Judith McManus Price Scholarships
www.planning.org/scholarships/apa
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other underrepresented students enrolled in graduate degree programs at recognized planning schools. See website for deadline.

Launching Leaders MBA Scholarship
www.jpmorgan.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native American and other underrepresented minority students enrolled in the first year of an M.B.A. program.

Lionel C. Barrow Minority Doctoral Student Scholarship
www.uncf.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minorities who are interested in working on a doctorate in mass communication. See website for deadline.

Marriage & Family Therapy Master's Student Scholarship
www.aamft.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American and minority students enrolled in master's and post-degree training programs in marriage and family therapy. See website for deadline.

Mihaylo College of Business and Economics
Fullerton, CA | Ph: (657) 278-4652 | (800) 433-3243
www.business.fullerton.edu
Provides awards to full-time graduate students at California State University, Fullerton. Available to residents of California. GPA requirements, other eligibility details, and deadlines vary.

National Physical Science Consortium Fellowship
www.npsc.org
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience to underrepresented minorities and women interested in working on a Ph.D. in designated science and engineering fields. Application opens in August. See website for deadline.
My priorities are a commitment to pursue a field I genuinely love working in and to feel I am doing my best to serve the Alaska Native community.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research
www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=6201>
Provides financial assistance to minority graduate students interested in working on a master's or doctoral degree in fields supported by the National Science Foundation (NSF). See website for deadline.

Patrick D McJulien Minority Graduate Scholarship
www.members.aect.org/foundation
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority members of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) working on a graduate degree in the field of educational communications and technology.

PFATS-NFL Charities Minority Scholarships
www.pfats.com/about/scholarships
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority students working on a degree in athletic training. See website for deadline.

Porter Physiology Development Awards
www.the-aps.org
Provides research funding to Native Americans and other minorities who are members of the American Physiological Society (APS) interested in working on a doctoral degree in physiology.

Ralph W. Shrader Diversity Scholarships
www.afcea.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other master's degree students in fields related to communications and electronics. See website for deadline.

Robert D Watkins Graduate Research
www.asm.org
Provides funding for research in microbiology to Native Americans and other underrepresented minority doctoral students who are members of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM). See website for deadline.

Sandia Master’s Fellowship Program
www.sandia.gov/careers/fellowships.html
To enable minority students to obtain a master's degree in engineering or computer science and work at Sandia National Laboratories. Participants receive a competitive salary while working at the laboratories on a full-time basis and a stipend while attending school. Must be prepared to obtain a master's degree in 1 year.

Semiconductor Research Corporation Master’s Scholarship Program
www.src.org/student-center/fellowship
Provides financial assistance to minorities and women interested in working on a master’s degree in a field of microelectronics relevant to the interests of the Semiconductor Research Corporation (SRC). See website for deadline.

Smithsonian Fellowship Opportunities
www.smithsonianofi.com
Provides funding to Native American and other minority graduate students interested in conducting research at the Smithsonian Institution. See website for deadline.

Society for the Study of Social Problems Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship
www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/261
Provides funding to minority members of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) who are interested in conducting research for their doctoral dissertation.

Society of American Archivists Mosaic Scholarship
www.archivists.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other minority students who are working on a graduate degree in archival science.

SREB Doctoral Awards
www.sreb.org/page/1113/types_of_awards.html
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority students who wish to work on a doctorate degree in the STEM fields of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics at designated universities in the southern states.

Wake Forest University Fellowship
Winston-Salem, NC | Ph: (866) 925-3622
www.business.wfu.edu
Free Master’s Program at Wake Forest for Minority students through the Corporate Fellowship Award. Fellows receive full tuition plus living expenses, personal mentoring from a high-level executive at a major corporation, and a Fellowship Practicum. Limited to U.S. citizens. Applicant must hold or be pursuing a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university majoring in the liberal arts, sciences, or engineering disciplines. Business minors are eligible to apply. See website for deadline.

Open to all graduate students

Academy Foundation Student Scholarships
www.eatrightfoundation.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other graduate student members of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. See website for deadline.

American Council of Learned Societies
www.acls.org/programs/comps/
The American Council of Learned Societies provides a variety of funding opportunities and grants for doctoral candidates interested in conducting dissertation research in the social sciences and humanities. Some funding dependent on Federal Title VIII appropriations. See website for deadline.

American Institute of Physics
College Park, MD | Ph: (301) 209-3100 | www.ap.org
American Institute of Physics (AIP) honors outstanding achievements in physics and raises public awareness of the contributions that physicists make to society. In addition to its awards program, AIP supports the profession with government fellowships and graduate scholarships and teaching awards. Deadline: Check website for multiple scholarships.
Conference of Minority Transportation Officials
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 857-8065 | www.comto.org
A variety of scholarships are available to graduate students who have a career interest in transportation and related fields (e.g. engineering). Deadlines vary.

Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program
www.fosterscholars.noaa.gov
Provides financial assistance to graduate students, especially Native Americans, other minorities, and women, who are interested in working on a degree in fields related to marine sciences. See website for additional details.

Intel Scholarship
www.intel.com
Provides financial assistance to members of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) who are working on an undergraduate or graduate degree in a field of computer science or engineering, plus offers mentorship to increase diversity in these fields. See website for additional details.

National Political Science Scholarships
www.apsanet.org
Scholarships for Graduate Study are awarded to members entering graduate school in political science in the upcoming academic year. Nominations must come from the chapter advisors, accompanied by an official application and supporting documents as specified in the program announcement.

National Science Foundation Funding Programs
www.nsf.gov/funding/education.jsp?fund_type=2
Specialized information on programs (scholarships, fellowships, research fellowships) providing either direct (i.e., from NSF) or indirect (i.e., from an awardee institution) funding for students on the graduate level.

Phillips Fund Grants for Native American Research
www.amphilsoc.org/grants/phillips
Provides funding to graduate students and scholars interested in conducting research on North American Indian anthropological linguistics and ethnohistory. See website for additional details.

Legal

Anapata Diversity Scholarship Contest
www.ms-jd.org/anapata-student-scholarship
Provides financial assistance to members of other traditionally underrepresented in the legal profession.

Arent Fox Diversity Scholarships
www.arentfox.com/careers/diversity/diversity-scholarship
Provides financial assistance and work experience to other minority law students. See website for deadline.

Baker Donelson Diversity Scholarships
www.bakerdonelson.com
Provides financial assistance to law students who are members of groups underrepresented at large law firms. See website for deadline.

Balfour Phi Delta Phi Minority Scholarship Program
www.phideltaphi.org
To assist minority students who are members of Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity. See website for deadline.

Buckfire & Buckfire, Law School Diversity Scholarship
www.buckfirelaw.com
This scholarship will be awarded to a student who is attending an accredited law school and is a member of an ethnic or racial minority. See website for deadline.

Butler Rubin Diversity Scholarship
www.butlerrubin.com
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience to minority law students who are interested in the area of business litigation.

Crowell & Moring Diversity in the Legal Profession Scholarship
www.crowell.com/diversity/were-different
Provides assistance to members of racial and ethnic groups from any state who are underrepresented in the legal profession and attending law school in the District of Columbia.

Davis Wright Tremaine, LLP
Seattle, WA | Ph: (206) 757-8761
www.dwt.com | BrookDormaier@dwt.com
The Diversity Scholarships are open to all first-year law students of color who have a record of academic achievement that demonstrates promise for a successful career in law. See website for deadline.

Dinsmore & Shohl LLP Diversity Scholarship
www.dinsmore.com/careers/diversity
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience to law students from groups traditionally underrepresented in the legal profession. Deadline: September of each year for second-year students; December of each year for first-year students.

Donald W Banner Diversity Scholarship
www.bannerwitcoff.com
Provides financial assistance to law students who come from groups historically underrepresented in intellectual property law.

Dorsey & Whitney Diversity Fellowships
www.dorsey.com/diversity
Provides financial assistance for law school students from diverse backgrounds who are interested in working during the summer at offices of the sponsoring law firm. Deadlines are on a rolling basis.

DRI Law Student Diversity Scholarship
www.dri.org/about#awards
Provides financial assistance to minority and female law students. 2nd or 3rd year law students. Deadline: varies.

With the education I will earn in college, I will be well equipped to return to Alaska to make an impact on the lives of my fellow Alaskans.
Finnegan Henderson Diversity Scholarship
www.finnegan.com/careers/summerprogram/overview
Provides financial and work experience to underrepresented minority law students interested in a career in intellectual property law.

Fish & Richardson Diversity Fellowship Program
www.fr.com/about/diversity
Provides financial assistance for law school to students who will contribute to diversity in the legal profession. See website for deadline.

Foley & Lardner Diversity Scholarship
www.foley.com/careers/lawstudents
Provides financial assistance and work experience to first-year law students who will contribute to diversity in the legal profession. See website for deadline.

George A Strait Minority Scholarship Endowment
www.aallnet.org
Provides financial assistance to minority college seniors or college graduates who are interested in becoming law librarians. Deadline: April

George V Powell Diversity Scholarship
www.lanepowell.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to minority students who are interested in public interest law. See website for details.

Hillis Clark Martin & Peterson Diversity Fellowship
www.hcmp.com
Provides financial assistance to law students who have a diverse background and life experiences.

Indian Legal Scholarship Program
www.nwiba.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans from the Northwest who are interested in attending law school in the area or taking the bar exam. Deadlines quarterly.

Katten Muchin Rosenman Minority Scholarships
www.kattenlaw.com
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience in Chicago or New York City to minority law students from any state. See website for details.

King & Spaulding Diversity Fellowship Program
www.kslaw.com
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience at U.S. offices of the sponsoring law firm law students who will contribute to the diversity of the legal community.

Kirkland & Ellis LLP Diversity Fellowship Program
www.kirkland.com
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience at an office of Kirkland & Ellis to minority law students from any state. See website for deadline.

K&L Gates Diversity Fellowship
www.klgates.com
Provides financial assistance and summer work experience in Seattle to law students from any state who come from diverse racial/ethnic backgrounds. See website for deadline.

Latham & Watkins Diversity Scholars Program
www.lw.com
Provides financial assistance to minority law students interested in working for a global law firm. See website for deadline.

Lloyd M Johnson Jr Scholarship Program
www.mcca.com/career-center/
Provides financial assistance to law students who will contribute to diversity in the legal profession. See website for deadline.

Mexican American Legal Defense Educational Fund
Los Angeles, CA | Ph: (213) 629-2512
www.maldef.org
Awards scholarships to students each year based on their commitment to serve the Latino community through law. Applicants must be enrolled full-time in an American-accredited law school. Deadlines vary.

McAndrews Diversity in Patent Law Fellowship
www.mcandrews-ip.com/careers/diversity-fellowship.html
Provides financial assistance to law students who come from a diverse background and are interested in patent law. See website for deadline.

McDermott Minority Scholarship
www.mwe.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to minority law students. See website for deadline.

Milbank Diversity Scholars Program
www.millbank.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to law students who are members of groups underrepresented at large law firms. See website for deadline.

Miller Nash Law Student Diversity Fellowship
www.millernash.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to law students who will contribute to diversity and are interested in living and working in the Pacific Northwest following graduation from law school. See website for deadline.

NNALSA Writing Competition
www.nationalnalsa.org
To recognize and reward members of the National Native American Law Students Association (NNALSA) who submit outstanding articles on Indian law.

Richard D Hailey AAJ Law Student Scholarship
www.justice.org
Provides financial assistance for law school to minority student members of the American Association for Justice (AAJ). See website for details.

Sidley Diversity & Inclusion Scholarship
www.sidley.com
Provides financial assistance and work experience to law students who come from a diverse background. See website for deadline.
Sidney B Williams Jr Intellectual Property Law Scholarships [www.aiplef.org](http://www.aiplef.org)
Provides financial assistance to minority law school students who are interested in preparing for a career in intellectual property law. See website for deadline.

Provides financial assistance to law students who bring diversity to the profession and are interested in a summer associate position with Stoel Rives. See website for deadline.

Thompson Hine Diversity Scholarship [www.thompsonhine.com](http://www.thompsonhine.com)
Provides financial assistance and work experience to minority law students from any state who have been accepted as a summer associate with the law firm of Thompson Hine. See website for deadline.

Winston & Elkins Diversity Fellowships [www.velaw.com](http://www.velaw.com)
Provides financial assistance to minority law students who are interested in working in a law firm setting. Open to students who are enter the second year at an ABA-accredited law school. Deadline: January.

Washington Diversity Fellowships [www.americanbar.org/aba.html](http://www.americanbar.org/aba.html)
Provides funding to students from underserved groups who are interested in pursuing law. See website for deadline.

Winston & Strawn Diversity Scholarship Program [www.winston.com](http://www.winston.com)
Provides financial assistance to minority law students. See website for deadline.

Medical, Dental, and Public Health

Provides financial assistance to underrepresented doctoral candidates who wish to conduct research on aging. Deadline: Letters of intent must be submitted by February, June, or October. See website for deadline.

AMA Foundation Minority Scholars Awards [www.ama-assn.org](http://www.ama-assn.org)
Provides financial assistance to Americans and other underrepresented minorities who are enrolled in medical school. See website for deadline.

American Society of Radiologic Technologists [www.asrftfoundation.org](http://www.asrftfoundation.org)
Provides scholarships to help entry-level students and professionals pursuing education in an accredited radiologic science program. 3.0 GPA requirement.

ASCO Medical Student Rotation [www.conquercancerfoundation.org](http://www.conquercancerfoundation.org)
Provides funding to minority medical students interested in a clinical research oncology rotation. See website for full details.

Cathy L. Brock Memorial Scholarship [www.diversityconnection.org/scholarships](http://www.diversityconnection.org/scholarships)
Provides financial assistance to ethnically diverse first-and second-year graduate students pursuing degrees in healthcare administration or a comparable degree (MBA, MPH, MHA, MPA). See website for details.

CDC Minority Internships & Fellowships [www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/internships.html](http://www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/internships.html)
Provides opportunity for minority undergraduate through doctoral students to conduct research at Prevention Research Centers (PRCs) funded by the U.S. Office of Minority Health and Health Equity (OMHHE). Deadlines, length of programs, and eligibility requirements vary—please check website.

- **CDC Grants for Public Health Dissertations**
  Provides up to $35,000 to support dissertation work in line with CDC research interests—see website for current list of eligible focus areas.

Diversified Investment Advisors-Leaders in Health Management [www.diversityconnection.org](http://www.diversityconnection.org)
Provides financial assistance to minority graduate students in health services management. See website for deadline.

Elizabeth & Sherman Asche Memorial Scholarship [www.indian-affairs.org](http://www.indian-affairs.org)
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans interested in working on a graduate degree in public health. See website for deadline.

Elliot C. Roberts Sr. Scholarship [www.diversityconnection.org/scholarships](http://www.diversityconnection.org/scholarships)
Provides financial assistance to minority graduate students in health services management who have demonstrated outstanding community service. See website for deadline.

IHS Health Professions Scholarship Program [www.ihs.gov/scholarship](http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship)
Provides funding to Native American and Alaska Native students enrolled in health professions and allied health professions programs. See website for eligible programs and full details, and to find local IHS support office.

Jeanne Spurlock Minority Medical Student Fellowships in Psychiatry and Substance Abuse, and Child & Adolescent Psychiatry [www.aacap.org](http://www.aacap.org)
Provides funding to minority medical students who are interested in working with a child and adolescent psychiatrist during the summer or doing research on substance abuse. Check website for deadline.

I am inspired to keep working hard because of the leaders in my life and community. They have worked hard for everything, the least I can do is succeed in school.
Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation Scholarship
www.nmfonline.org/programs/general-scholarships-awards
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other underrepresented minority medical students who demonstrate financial need. See website for deadline.

Mary Ball Carrera Scholarship
www.nmfonline.org
Provides financial assistance to Native American women who are attending medical school. See website for full details and deadlines.

Mental Health Dissertation Research Grant to Increase Diversity
www.nimh.nih.gov
Provides research funds to Native American doctoral candidates and those from other underrepresented groups planning to prepare for a research career in a relevant area to mental health or mental disorders.

MLA/NLA Scholarship for Minority Scholars
mlanet.org/page/mla-scholarship-for-minority-students
Provides financial assistance to minority students interested in preparing for a career as a medical librarian.

NASP Minority Scholarship
www.nasponline.org
Provides financial assistance to minority graduate students who are members of the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) and enrolled in a school psychology program.

National Medical Fellowships, Inc.
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 483-8880
www.nmfonline.org | info@nmfonline.org
Provides need-based scholarship program to medical students with demonstrated financial need who are United States citizens from groups currently underrepresented in the medical field professions specifically Alaska Native, American Indian, African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian, and mainland Puerto Rican, and descent. Amount varies.

Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board
Portland, OR | Ph: (503) 228-4185
www.npaihb.org | npaihb@npaihb.org
NARCH fellowships support American Indian and Alaska Native students pursuing MPH degrees, other master’s degrees, PhD’s in social and biomedical sciences, MD’s, and other doctoral-level degrees. Successful candidates will receive monthly stipends to support their studies.

Pre-doctoral Fellowship in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
www.apa.org
Provides financial assistance to minority doctoral students and those committed to providing mental health and substance abuse services to ethnic minority populations. See website for deadline.

Pre-doctoral Fellowships of the Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship Program
www.nationalacademies.org
Provides financial assistance for graduate school to students whose success will increase the racial and ethnic diversity of U.S. colleges and universities.

Ronald M. Davis Scholarship
www.ama-assn.org
Provides financial assistance to medical school students who are members of underrepresented minority groups and planning to become a primary care physician. See website for deadline.

SAMHSA Minority Fellowship Program and Clinical Research Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Program
www.emfp.org
Provides financial assistance to minority nurses who are doctoral candidates interested in psychiatric, mental health, and substance abuse issues that affect the lives of ethnic minority people. See website for deadline.

Sherry R Arnstein Minority Student Scholarship
www.aacom.org
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other underrepresented minority students already enrolled in osteopathic medical school. See website for deadline.

Society of Pediatric Psychology Diversity Research Grant
www.societyofpediatricpsychology.org
Provides funding to minority and other graduate student and postdoctorate members of the Society of Pediatric Psychology who are interested in conducting research on diversity aspects of pediatric psychology.

Strengthening Health Systems through Interprofessional Education (SHINE)
www.shinefellows.org
Programs supporting inter-professional education, health systems integration, and community engagement, are available for recent graduates and those seeking a change in career. See website for details on each program:

- **Applied Public Health Informatics Fellow**
  One year of on-the-job training for recent graduates at a state or local health agency; informatics is an urgently needed field to maintain community health.

- **Health Systems Integration Program**
  Places individuals at state, tribal, and territorial health departments to support improved outcomes in population-level health.

- **Informatics-Training in Place Program**
  Brings informatics training to local and tribal health department staff through a CDC partnership.

Transamerica Retirement Solutions- Leaders in Healthcare Scholarship
www.diversityconnection.org/scholarships
Provides $5000 to ethnically diverse first-and second-year graduate students pursuing degrees in healthcare administration or a comparable degree (MBA, MPH, MHA, MPA, MSN, or BSN). Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to community service and academic excellence- minimum GPA of 3.0. See website for details.

Underrepresented Minority Dental Student Scholarship
www.adafoundation.org/en/how-to-apply
Provides financial assistance to Native Americans and other underrepresented minorities who wish to enter the field of dentistry. See website for deadline.
Watson Midwives of Color Scholarship
midwife.org/foundation-scholarships-and-awards
Provides financial assistance for midwifery education to Native Americans and other students of color who belong to the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM).

William G. Anderson, D.O. Minority Scholarship
www.aof.org/grants-awards
Provides financial assistance to Native American and other minority students enrolled in colleges of Osteopathic medicine. See website for deadline.

XIII: Internship Opportunities

Internships provide opportunities for students to gain on-the-job work experience within the student’s field of study. An internship may be paid, unpaid, or partially paid in the form of a stipend. Typically, internships are part-time during the university year, full-time in the summer, and often last 6-12 weeks. The following is a listing of important internships for Alaska Native and American Indian students.

Alaska Conservation Foundation
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 276-1917
www.alaskaconervation.org
Administers a paid 12-week summer internship program for undergraduate and graduate students who plan a career in conservation, environment, justice, or closely related fields. Alaska Natives encouraged to apply.

Alaska Legislative Internship Program
Juneau, AK | Ph: (907) 796-6115
www.uas.alaska.edu/internprogram
Legislative Internship Program available to students attending UAA, UAF, UAS, APU, or University of Utah. Must be in a four-year degree program, have junior standing, or be at graduate level. All majors may apply who have completed one political science class and have not worked for pay with the AK legislature during the past two years. 30 hours per week minimum, Monday thru Friday during the legislative session. Student will earn 12 undergraduate or 9 graduate credits for internship, a stipend, and students outside of Juneau will receive travel and relocation allowances. See website for deadline.

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Internship
Ph: (907) 563-2662 | www.anthc.org/internships
Provides limited scholarships and/or a 9-week paid summer internship, or other arranged IHS internship, for Alaska Native/American Indian students at all levels.

Alaska Science Center, Biological Science Office
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 786-7000
www.alaska.usgs.gov | glnelson@usgs.gov
Alaska Native Internship Program offers training and education for Alaska Native students. College credit and wages earned for the 10-week internship program.

Alyeska Pipeline Service Company
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 787-8117
www.alyeska-pipe.com/employment | internship@alyeska-pipeline.com
Alyeska Internship offers 12-week paid internships for college students attending an accredited university. Applicable majors include accounting, engineering, business, project management, safety, technology, natural science, environmental science, and audit. Internships are available in Fairbanks, Anchorage, Valdez, and at pump station locations. See website for deadline.

American Association of Advertising Agencies
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 682-2500 | (800) 676-9333
www.aaaa.org | maip@aaaa.org
The 4A’s Multicultural Advertising Intern Program (MAIP) helps jumpstart careers of African-American, Asian-American, Latino-American, Native-American, multiracial, and multicultural aspiring advertising professionals. Undergraduate and graduate students are selected for a 10-week paid summer internship at a 4A’s member advertising agency. See website for deadline.

American Indian Science & Engineering Society
New York, NY | Ph: (212) 682-2500 | (800) 676-9333
www.aises.org | info@aises.org
Provides merit-based scholarships and internship programs. 10-week internship program at various federal, tribal, and private organizations.

Andrew W. Mellon Advanced Training Program in Object and Textile Conservation Internships
www.nmai.si.edu
Provides scholarships and internship awards to students and professionals involved in conservation of museum collections with an opportunity to participate in a training program at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI). See website for deadline.

ACHEIVE Research Partnership
Toronto, Ontario, Canada | www.ontario.cmha.ca
For those who have completed a PhD or Master’s degree program within the last three years. The fellowship lasts for two years. Fellows are required to work onsite in Toronto, Canada. Research focus can be inner city health and/or indigenous health, or a research focus of your choice.

APA Minority Medical Student Summer Mentoring
www.psychiatry.org
Provides funding to Native American and other minority medical students who are interested in working on a summer project with a psychiatrist mentor. See website for deadline.

Baker Hostetler Diversity Fellowship Program
www.bakerlaw.com/diversityfellowshipprogram
Provides summer work experience to Native American and other minority law school students.
Biomedical Research Training Program for Underrepresented Groups
www.nihbi.nih.gov
Provides training in fundamental biomedical sciences and clinical research disciplines to Native Americans and other undergraduates, graduate students, and post-baccalaureates from underrepresented groups.

Bullivant Houser Bailey Law Student Diversity Fellowship Program
www.bullivant.com/diversity
Provides financial assistance and work experience to Native American and other law students who come from a minority or disadvantaged background.

CDC Minority Internships & Fellowships
www.cdc.gov/minorityhealth/internships.html
Provides opportunity for minority undergraduate through doctoral students to conduct research at Prevention Research Centers (PRCs) funded by the U.S. Office of Minority Health and Health Equity (OMHHE). Deadlines, length of programs, and eligibility requirements vary—please check website.

Central Intelligence Agency Internship
Washington, DC | Ph: (800) 368-3886
www.cia.gov
Provides an internship program for high school seniors planning to enroll in a 4- or 5-year college program and college freshman or sophomores enrolled in a 4- or 5-year college program. Applicants must maintain full-time college status during the school year. Applicants must work during summer breaks in metropolitan Washington, D.C. while in college. Interns receive an annual salary and up to $18,000 scholarship per academic year for tuition, fees, books, and supplies. Minimum 3.0 GPA. Minimum 18 years old by April 1 of high school senior year. Deadlines posted to website in January.

Challenge Alaska Therapeutic
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 344-7254
www.challengealaska.org | jeff@challengealaska.org
Recreation Internship provides adaptive sports, therapeutic recreation and education for people with disabilities. Each intern will have the opportunity to experience everything Challenge Alaska has to offer, with an emphasis in certain areas. Minimum 16-week internships are available summer and winter.

CH2M
Oil/Gas Industry & Engineering Internships
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 762-1500
www.ch2m.com | Emily.Cross@CH2M.com
Provides internship program to Alaska Native students enrolled in various engineering disciplines and other specific careers on TAPS or other oil/gas industry related jobs. Deadlines vary.

The CIRI Foundation Internship Program
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 793-3575 | (800) 764-3382
www.thecirifoundation.org | tcf@thecirifoundation.org
The purpose of TCF’s Internship Program is to assist eligible applicants in obtaining supervised on-the-job training that will provide practical work experience consistent with career preparation. TCF supports eligible intern-hosting organizations with a reimbursement of up to 50% intern wages and employer payroll taxes. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited two-year, four-year, graduate, or technical skills training program, or a recent graduate. Minimum 2.5 GPA. In addition, TCF usually offers a summer internship opportunity for students to work within TCF’s office. TCF recipients interested in education, philanthropy, or related fields are strongly encouraged to apply. Contact TCF for more information.

Commercial & Federal Litigation Minority Fellowship
www.tnybf.org
Provides an opportunity for Native American and other minority residents of any state attending law school in New York to gain summer work experience in a litigation position in the public sector in the state.

Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907)793-3183 | citci.org/citc-careers/citc-internship-program
internship@citci.org
Provides students in good academic standing real-life work experience and a deeper cultural connection through a 12-week paid summer internship. See website for deadlines.

Cook Inlet Region, Inc. Internship Program
Ph: (907) 274-8638 | dgraham@ciri.com
www.ciri.com/internship
Provides paid summer internship opportunities for qualifying shareholders and descendants within various department and subsidiaries, based on the goals of the student. Internships are not limited to Anchorage. Also runs the NextGen program for youth 10-18.

Department of the Interior Diversity Intern Program
www.doiz.gov/pathways
Provides experience at federal agencies involved with natural and cultural resources to 1) Native American and other minority college and graduate students and 2) students with disabilities. See website for deadlines.

I wish to learn more of my culture and background in order to bring recognition and pride to our community.
Native American essential. Travel, housing, and small stipend provided. With others under rigorous and remote conditions is related field. Prior field experience desirable, but not demonstrated interest in environmental biology or a field related to environmental studies.

District of Columbia-Eli Diversity Fellowships in Environmental Law
www.jddiversity.com
Provides opportunity to Native American and other law students from traditionally underrepresented groups who are interested in working on a summer project at the Environmental Law Institute (ELI) in Washington D.C.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Anchorage, AK Ph: (907) 276-4441 www.fbijobs.gov
Provides paid and unpaid internships available with the FBI nationwide. Administers the following programs: Honors Internship, Volunteer Internship, Visiting Scientist Program, National Security Internships, and Middle Eastern Foreign Language Honors Internship Program. Visit the website for individual program requirements.

First Alaskans Institute
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 677-1700 www.firstalaskans.org | info@firstalaskans.org
Provides a Summer Internship Program that places Alaska Native students who are in good academic standing and are college juniors, seniors, or graduate students into organizations around Alaska to develop Native leadership. See website for deadlines.

Four Directions Summer Research Program
www.fdsp.partners.org
Provides an opportunity for Native American undergraduate and graduate students to participate in a summer research project at Harvard Medical School. For those with career goals as a physician or in biomedical research. See website for deadline.

Geocorps American Indian Internships
www.geosociety.org/grants/gradgrants.htm
Provides work experience in national parks to American Indians and Native Alaskans who are student members of the Geological Society of America (GSA). See website for deadline.

Golondrinas de las Americas
www.golondrinas.cornell.edu
Provides internships, fosters cross-cultural exchange and encourages individual growth and understanding in hypothesis-driven science. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest in environmental biology or a related field. Prior field experience desirable, but not essential. The ability to work, live, and communicate well with others under rigorous and remote conditions is essential. Travel, housing, and small stipend provided. Native American students are encouraged to apply.

I hope that in the future, the education and experience I gain now will allow me to provide meaningful contributions to my community.

Harvard University
Cambridge, MA | Ph (617) 495-1581 | www.harvard.edu
Student internship allows applicants to assist EPA/Tribal agencies with environmental issues. Interns receive a limited travel/housing allowance and can earn $4,000 during their ten-week internship. Must be a US Citizen and possess a valid driver's license, and must be majoring in a field related to environmental studies.

Indian Land Tenure Foundation (ILTF)
Little Canada, MN | Ph: (651) 766-8999 | www.iltf.org
Provides full-time, paid internships positions over the course of 10 – 12 weeks (400 hours). Salary provided with potential additional funds for living and relocation expenses. Must be willing to travel and interact in new or different environments socially and culturally.

Interior Community Health Center
Fairbanks, AK | Ph: (907) 455-4567 | (866) 455-4567 | TTY (907) 458-1587 | www.interiorhealthalaska.com
Seasonal and summer internship positions available in health related fields. Locations available in Fairbanks and Healy, Alaska. Deadline: Open.

James E Webb Internships
www.smithsonianofni.com
Provides internship opportunities throughout the Smithsonian Institution to Native Americans and other minority upper-division and graduate students in business or public administration.

JTBF Judicial Externship/Clerkship Program
www.jtbf.org
Provides work experience to Native American and other underrepresented law students who plan to seek judicial clerkships after graduation. See website for deadline.

Judicial Intern Opportunity Program
www.abanet.org/litigation/jiop
Provides an opportunity for Native American and other traditionally underrepresented law students to gain experience as judicial interns in selected courts during the summer.

Koahnic Broadcast Corporation
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 793-3500 | www.knba.org
KBC provides professional development, educational opportunities, and internships to increase the number of Native people engaged in media careers.

Mickey Leland Energy Fellowships
www.fossil.energy.gov
Provides summer work experience at fossil energy sites of the Department of Energy (DOE) to Native Americans, other underrepresented minority and female students. See website for deadline.

 Minority Access Internship
www.minorityaccess.org
Provides experience to Native American and other minority graduate students interested in internships at participating entities in Washington D.C. and throughout the United States. See website for deadlines.
MCHC/RISE-UP Program
Baltimore, MD | Ph: (443) 923-5879  
www.kennedykrieger.org
For undergraduates in their junior or senior year, or who have recently graduated with degrees in psychology, social work, biology, nursing, public health, sociology, or related disciplines who are from underrepresented populations and who are interested in learning about disease prevention. Ten weeks during the summer. Other program sites include South Dakota and California. A stipend is provided for participants, and housing/travel aid is available. Must have 2.5 GPA or better. See website for deadline.

The Morris K. Udall Foundation
Tucson, AZ | Ph: (520) 901-8500  
www.udall.gov | info@udall.gov
Native American Congressional Internship program provides a ten-week summer internship in Washington, D.C., for Native American and Alaska Native students who wish to learn more about the federal government and issues affecting Indian Country. The internship is fully funded: the Foundation provides round-trip airfare, housing, per diem for food and incidentals, and a stipend at the close of the program. See website for deadline.

Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital
Sitka, AK | Ph: (907) 966-2411  
searchc.org/careers/education-training/
Provides a summer internship program and a Pharmacy Externship Program for Native students at Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital and the SEARHC Juneau Clinic. Available to students attending high school, college, or technical programs. Provides a travel stipend.

Multicultural Advertising Intern Program
www.aaaa.org
Provides Native Americans and other minority students with summer work experience in advertising agencies and presents them with an overview of the agency business.

Museum of the North
Fairbanks, AK | Ph: (907) 474-7505  
www.uaf.edu/museum/education/
Museum Internship for University of Alaska students studying education, anthropology, rural development, archaeology, northern studies, history, and other humanities or science based disciplines.

NABL Governmental Affairs Summer Associate Program
www.nabl.org
Provides an opportunity for Native American and other minority law students to learn about municipal bond law at a summer internship at the Governmental Affairs Office of the National Association of Bond Lawyers.

National Museum of the American Indian Conservation 6-Month Pre-Program Internship
www.nmai.si.edu/connect/internships
Provides an opportunity for students planning to enter a graduate training program in art conservation to learn more about the field during an internship at the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI). Several deadlines each year.

National Park Service Internships
Washington, DC | Ph: (703) 524-2441 |  
www.nps.gov
An opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to explore the cultural resources/historic preservation field. Each summer and academic year, the Cultural Resources Diversity Internship Program offers paid internships with National Park Service park units and administrative offices, other federal agencies, state historic preservation offices, local governments, and private organizations. See website for deadline.

Pathways for Students and Recent Graduates
Washington, DC | Ph: (202) 606-1800  
www.usajobs.gov/studentsandgrads
Provides high school, undergraduate, graduate, vocational, professional, technical, and trade students with paid internships related to their chosen career path and allows students the chance to explore Federal careers. Must be at least sixteen years old, a U.S. citizen, and in good academic standing. Internship lengths vary, but can be indefinite (or until formally hired). Interns may work part or full time, and may work with the agency to set expectations for their internship. Pathways to Federal Careers also has a Recent Graduates Program that provides one-year career development and training.

Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology
Cambridge, MA | Ph: (617) 496-1027  
www.peabody.harvard.edu
Provides a variety of experiences for interns, including curatorial research, archives, public programming, and others. At the end of the internship, interns give presentations to the staff. Provides a small stipend. Deadline: Check Website.

Providence Hospital
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 212-6400  
www.providence-alaska.jobs
Nursing Internship Programs are offer both classroom and practical content in Adult Critical Care, Progressive Care, Acute Medical or Surgical Care with the Children's Hospital at Providence. Deadlines vary.

Recruitment and Retention of Alaska Natives into Nursing (RRANN), University of Alaska Anchorage  
Ph: (907) 786-4550 | nursing@alaska.edu  
www.uaa.alaska.edu/schoolofnursing
The RRANN program is run through UAA to increase the number of Alaska Natives and American Indians graduating with a two-year or four-year degree in the nursing program. Offers mentoring and tutoring services, financial assistance, on-campus housing, childcare assistance, stipends, and internship opportunities. Provides limited paid internships. Internships require a 10-week commitment. Deadlines vary.

Salvation Army
Anchorage, AK | Ph: (907) 276-2515  
www.salvationarmyalaska.org
Volunteer opportunity: volunteers provide assistance in a variety of areas from social services to office work to character building activities. Background checks are required for anyone working with children and adults.
School for Advanced Research
Santa Fe, NM | Ph: (505) 954-7200
www.sarweb.org | info@sarsf.org
Located as part of the Indian Arts Research Center, the School for Advanced Research has several opportunities for indigenous artists, social scientists, and writers.

- **Internships**
  Offers internships for credit and paid nine-month internships to Native individuals who are recent college graduates, current graduate students, or junior museum professionals interested in furthering their collections management experience and enhancing their intellectual capacity for contributing to the expanding field and discourse of museum studies. See website for deadline.

- **Resident Scholars**
  The School for Advanced Research also has Fellowships for individuals that have completed their research and need to complete manuscripts or dissertations. Primarily for humanities and social science fields; including housing and up to $5,000 stipend, plus space on the campus of the Indian Arts Research Center in Santa Fe, NM. See website for deadline.

- **Artist- and Writer-in-Residence**
  Opportunities for Native students and graduates to spend time as a short-term in-residence artist or writer at the Indian Arts Research Center vary.

**Second Language Testing, Inc Internship.**
Rockville MD | Ph: (301) 231-6046 | www.2lti.com
SLTI has paid full- and part-time summer internships. Eligible applicants must be upper level undergraduate or graduate students, or recent graduates. SLTI is interested in language and education professionals, especially those with backgrounds in linguistics, language testing, and psychometrics.

**Section of Business Law Diversity Clerkship Program**
www.americanbar.org
Provides summer work experience in business law to Native American and other student members of the American Bar Association (AABA) and its Section of Business Law who will help the section to fulfill its goal of promoting diversity.

**Semester Internships in Geoscience Policy**
www.americangeosciences.org
Provides work experience to Native American and other geoscience students who have a strong interest in federal science policy. See website for complete details.

**SEO Corporate Law Program**
www.seocareer.org
Provides summer work experience to Native Americans and other students of color interested in studying corporate law.

**I will remain persistent and will keep working hard until I reach all of my education, career, and life goals. I firmly believe I will meet my goals and succeed in this career field because of my education.**

Southeast Alaska Conservation Council
Juneau, AK | Ph: (907) 586-6942
www.seacc.org | info@seacc.org
Provides paid internships throughout the year, including summer, for college students, graduates, and other volunteers. Program requires a minimum 10-week commitment. SEACC will pay for round-trip travel to Juneau. Deadline: Open.

**Summer Transportation Internship Program for Diverse Groups**
www.fhwa.dot.gov
To enable Native Americans and other undergraduate, graduate, and law students from diverse groups to gain work experience during the summer at facilities of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry**
Syracuse, NY | Ph: (315) 470-6500 | www.esf.edu
SUNY offers five fellowships to Native American students attending ESF beginning in Fall 2013. The fellowship includes a $5,000 annual scholarship and research experience. Students are offered mentors and hands-on learning experience in the field of environmental science. Must have combined science and math SAT scores of 900 and a minimum 85% grade on high school transcript.

**Tanana Chiefs Conference**
Fairbanks, AK | Ph: (907) 452-8251
www.tananachiefs.org
Provides various jobs, training, internships, and youth programs for TCC & Doyon tribal members as well as Alaska Natives and American Indians who reside in Fairbanks area or in one of the 42 villages TCC serves.

**Visiting Research Internship Program at Harvard Medical School**
www.mfdp.med.harvard.edu
Provides an opportunity for medical students, especially Native Americans and other underrepresented minorities, to conduct a mentored research internship at Harvard Medical School during the summer.

**William Randolph Hearst Endowed Fellowship**
Washington, D.C. | www.aspeninstitute.org/programs
The fellowship, which is based on academic excellence and need, is open to both undergraduate and graduate students of color. There are three fellows selected throughout the year. The Hearst Fellow serves as an intern with PSI in the Washington, DC office of the Aspen Institute. Through this fellowship, PSI seeks to introduce a diverse group of students to issues and challenges affecting philanthropy, social enterprise, nonprofit organizations, and other actors in the social sector. Recipients may arrange with their colleges or universities to receive academic credit for this experience.

**WMACCA Corporate Scholars Program**
www.acc/chapters/ncr/scholars.cfm
Provides a summer internship in the metropolitan Washington D.C. area to Native Americans and other students at law schools in the area who will contribute to diversity of the profession.
XIV: Education & Employment Resources

This section contains other services available in Alaska for individuals interested in post-secondary education, training, and employment opportunities.

**Adult Basic Education (ABE)**
Alaska Department of Education & Early Development
Ph: (907) 465-4685 | [www.jobs.state.ak.us/abe](http://www.jobs.state.ak.us/abe)
ABE includes basic skills, life skills, literacy, English as a second language, GED studies, and testing for adults 16 years and older.

**Adult Learning Programs of Alaska GED Program**
60 Hall St., Fairbanks, AK 99701 | Ph: (907) 452-6434 [www.adultlearning.org](http://www.adultlearning.org)
The program is a mixture of one-on-one tutoring, workshops, on-line tutoring and independent study. The program offers services in Fairbanks designed to assist Alaska Natives prepare for successful completion of the GED. Travel, fees, and room & board are provided by the grant. To be eligible for the REAL GED Program you must be Alaska Native and live within the TCC/Doyon Region, minimum 16 years old or minimum 18 years old if traveling into Fairbanks.

**Alaska Career Information System (AKCIS)**
Juneau, AK Ph: (907) 465-2962 [www.akcis.org](http://www.akcis.org) | akcis@alaska.gov
AKCIS is an online service that provides career information software and tools on Alaskan occupations, programs of study and training, Alaska and national post-secondary colleges and vocational training schools, military occupations, as well as job search and apprenticeship information.

**Alaska Job Center Network**
Juneau, AK | Ph: (907) 465-2712 [www.jobs.alaska.gov/offices](http://www.jobs.alaska.gov/offices)
Provides job matching services to the public, job openings, job referral services, and vocational assessment and counseling. Provides resources for job seekers in Alaska. Visit website for a list of all Alaska Job Center offices.

**Alaska Apprenticeship Training Coordinators Association**
Ph: (907) 345-3853 | coordinator@aatca.org [www.aatca.org](http://www.aatca.org)
Provides information about training opportunities available to Alaskans not offered in traditional school settings.

**Alaska Small Business Development Center**
Ph: (907) 786-7201 | (800) 478-7232 [www.aksbdc.org](http://www.aksbdc.org) | info@aksbdc.org
Provides free, confidential technical business assistance and low-cost business training. SBDC has been helping Alaskan businesses begin, prosper, and grow for over twenty years. SBDC is funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

**Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)**
P.O. Box 889, Seward, AK 99664
Ph: (907) 224-3322 | (800) 478-5389 | [www.avtec.edu](http://www.avtec.edu)
AVTEC is a division of the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Established as a vocational and technical training center that offers a variety of training programs available in Seward, Anchorage, and via distance education courses online.

**Alaska’s People**
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
Ph: (907) 793-3300 | (877) 985-5900 | [www.citci.org](http://www.citci.org)
Offers services that are open to anyone seeking a training opportunity. Promotes employment and training for Alaska Natives in Alaska. Assists employers with recruitment, screening, and evaluation of candidates for apprenticeship and training programs; refers qualified Native job seekers to employers on a statewide basis free of charge. Also may provide GED preparation.

**Alaska Dept. of Vocational Rehabilitation**
[www.labor.state.ak.us/dvr/home.htm](http://www.labor.state.ak.us/dvr/home.htm)
Each year, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) helps hundreds of Alaskans with disabilities prepare for, get and keep good jobs. If you want to work or keep working and have a physical, intellectual or mental condition that makes this hard, you may be eligible for vocational rehabilitation (VR) services.

**Alaska Job Corps**
Ph: (800) 733-5627 [www.alaska.jobcorps.gov](http://www.alaska.jobcorps.gov)
A residential training center for 16-24 year old Alaskans, Job Corps is free of charge and includes students’, room, board, uniform allowance, and up to two years of self-paced training toward a job or career. Application process necessary, call or see website for details.

**Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium**
Ph: (907) 729 1301 | [careers@anthc.org](mailto:careers@anthc.org) [www.anthc.org](http://www.anthc.org)
Connect with Alaska Native culture and help the provide health services to Alaska Native and American Indian people around Alaska. Jobs are not limited to Anchorage, and cover fields from accounting to engineering and nursing to support services.

**Anchorage Municipality Jobs**
[www.muni.org/jobs](http://www.muni.org/jobs)
Apply for jobs working with the Municipality of Anchorage; both union and non-union fields available. Applicants may also request to be notified of specific opportunities and seek volunteer positions.
XV: Tribal Colleges & Universities

Alaska

Ilisaġvik College
100 Stevenson St., P.O Box 749, Utitiaqvik, AK, 99723
Ph: (907) 852-3333 | (800) 478-7337 | www.ilisagvik.edu

Arizona

Diné College, Main Campus
One Circle Dr. Route. 12, Tsaile, AZ 86556
Ph: (928) 724-6600 | (877) 988-DINE
www.dinecollege.edu | info@dinecollege.edu

San Carlos Apache College in partnership with Tohono O'odham Community College
Highway 86, Milepost 115.5
P.O. Box 3129, North Sells AZ 85634
Sells (520) 383-8401 Tucson (520) 623 6175
www.tocc.edu | info@tocc.cc.az.us

Haskell Indian Nations University
155 Indian Ave., Lawrence, KS 66046
Ph: (785) 749-8404
www.haskell.edu | admissions@haskell.edu

Harvard University Native American Program
Ph: (617) 495-4923 | www.hunap.harvard.edu
hunap@harvard.edu
The mission of is to bring together Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian students and interested individuals from the Harvard community for the purpose of advancing the well-being of indigenous peoples through self-determination, academic achievement, and community service. HUNAP produces the OPPORTUNITIES listing which includes internship, scholarship, fellowship, grant, and career opportunities as well as announcements for conferences workshops and symposia. OPPORTUNITIES is available online.

LinkedIn
www.linkedin.com
Operates a business and employment oriented social media network for local or worldwide professional networking. Users create profiles and can include as much as little personal information as desired. Many companies post job ads on the network as third party applications, and job seekers can connect with individuals or organizations in their desired field.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
1201 N. Muldoon Rd., Anchorage, AK 99504
Ph: (907) 257-4700 | (888) 353-7574
www.alaska.va.gov | www.va.gov
Education and training benefits are available to veterans, current members of the Armed Forces, dependents, and to other eligible persons for post-secondary education program,. current members of the Armed Forces, dependents, and to other eligible persons for post-secondary education program.

Michigan

Bay Mills Community College
12214 W Lakeshore Dr., Brimley, MI 49715
Ph: (906) 248-3354 | (800) 844-BMCC
http://www.bmcc.edu

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College
111 Beartown Rd., Baraga, MI 49908
Ph: (906) 353-4640 | www.kbocc.org | info@kbocc.org

Saginaw Chippewa Tribal College
2274 Enterprise Dr., Mount Pleasant, MI 48858
Ph: (989) 775-4123 | www.sagchip.edu

White Earth Tribal and Community College
124 S 1st St., Mahnomen, MN 56557 Ph: (218) 935-0417
| http://www.wetcc.edu | joel.swanson@wetcc.edu

Minnesota

Fond Du Lac Tribal and Community College
2101 14th St., Cloquet, MN 55720
Ph: (218) 879-0800 | (800) 657-3712 | www.fdltcc.edu
XVI: WICHE Exchange Programs

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE)
3035 Center Green Drive, Suite 200,
Boulder, Colorado 80301
Ph: (303) 541-0200
www.wiche.edu | info-sep@wiche.edu

WICHE is a regional, nonprofit organization. Membership includes 16 western states and territories. WICHE and its 16 members work to improve access to higher education and ensure student success. Their student exchange programs, regional initiatives, and research and policy work allow WICHE to assist constituents throughout the West and beyond.

If you are a resident of one of WICHE’s 16 member states or territories, then you are eligible for consideration for reduced tuition rate offered at participating WICHE institutions. To be considered for the WICHE rate, apply directly to the institution(s) of your choice. Please note that WICHE does not set qualification criteria for applicants, nor do they process applications or participate in the student selection process. Equally important, the WICHE tuition rate is not automatically awarded to all eligible candidates. Most programs must limit the number of new awards each academic year, so apply early!

WICHE Undergraduate Exchange Program (WUE)
Alaska residents can enroll at reduced tuition rates in certain degree programs selected by participating institution in the other 15 western states and territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, Northern Mariana Islands, and Guam.
Learn more here: www.wiche.edu/WUE

Alaska students pay WUE rate of 150 percent of resident tuition in the enrolling institution. Residents from the member western states may, in turn, enroll at the participating University of Alaska campuses in selected degree programs at WICHE Undergraduate Program tuition rates.

WICHE Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP)
Alaska residents can enroll at reduced tuition rates in certain master’s and doctoral programs selected by participating institutions in 16 western states and territories. Residents from the member western states may, in turn, enroll at the participating University of Alaska campuses in selected degree programs at WICHE Regional Graduate tuition rates. Students must meet all admissions requirements and deadlines. Learn more here: www.wiche.edu/WRGP

To be considered for the resident WRGP rate, apply directly to the department offering the WRGP program, or contact their graduate studies department.

WICHE Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP)
The PSEP program allows students to enroll in out-of-state professional programs in 10 healthcare fields and pay reduced tuition. The fields are dentistry, medicine, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, physical therapy, physician assistant, podiatry, and veterinary medicine. Learn more here: www.wiche.edu/PSEP

Apply directly to your home state, and become “certified.” This means you’re deemed a bona fide resident of your home state, eligible to compete for WICHE support (which is provided by your home state tax dollars). State residency requirements vary across the West. Visit www.wiche.edu/PSEP website for your state office’s contact information.

You must send your PSEP certification application to your state office by October 15 of the year preceding admission.

I am excited to continue my educational and professional goals and work with the Alaska Native community to build strong family values and promote public health. I look forward to my next year in studies and am anxious to continue on my educational path and let it lead me towards these goals.
XVII: Final Tips for Success

This section includes some resources and information to assist you on your educational journey. From etiquette on working with professors to exam and study tips, this guide provides a starting place to help you be successful in whatever you desire to do. Most importantly, be aware of your own needs and health as you find your own path to success!

Successful Studying

**How to schedule enough time:** Multiply each credit in your schedule by three to see how many hours each week your course will take. A three credit course will take nine hours a week over a semester. This is a formula that works for online and traditional classes because it includes both the time you are with the instructor and the time spent on your own. Expect to spend at least two hours of study and homework for every hour of class in your schedule. This means for a course that is three hours of lecture or lab work each week, there will be about six hours on your own.

**How to separate studying from downtime:** Think of school as a full-time job (i.e. 8 am to 5 pm) and plan to spend at least 40 hours a week on your studies if you are attending full-time. Where feasible, dedicate set hours in a specific location solely to school work. This tricks your brain into taking studying as seriously as work and helps you succeed. It also lets you have space to mentally relax and refresh by having both physical places and time set aside for that. Tell your family and friends when you have set aside for schoolwork so they can encourage you to keep up but not be a distraction.

**How to set up a home office for studying:** If possible, set aside a specific area for schoolwork only. A whole room may be nice, but is not necessary to achieve the mental benefits of dedicated space. This can be a desk that is otherwise cleared of projects and papers with a portable room divider or curtain set up to block visual distractions from other parts of the room. Make sure everything you’ll need is nearby and has a set place to put it away when you are done—printer, lamp, pens, paper, books, etc. Good lighting and comfortable furniture keep you focused by reducing physical discomfort. Reduce audio distractions by finding a quiet location, playing background music, or even wearing noise-cancelling headphones. Think about what works for you and make sure your selected space accommodates your preferences.

www.elearners.com/education-resources/online-learning/how-to-set-up-a-home-office-for-online-learning/

**How to stay motivated:** Studying takes practice! It is like working out—set up a routine, organize your schedule to make sure it happens, and, if you like work-out buddies, find study buddies. If you like to exercise in the early morning, studying early may be easiest for you. Also like exercise, don’t be surprised if you hit a plateau and feel like you’re struggling to maintain your pace. This happens to everyone. Let your professor(s) know and see if they have any tips you haven’t tried yet. If nothing else, make sure you get enough sleep, water, and healthy food to get your mental energy back up.

**How to get the most out of your school:** Make sure you are using all the resources that you’ve paid for with your tuition and fees. Does your school have a writing or math center, and have you visited them? Have you found the professional librarians and gone to them for research help? Do you have access to career services or a tutoring consortium? Do your academic and other advisors know you by name? If you did not say yes to these questions, find out where these resources are and use them! These are common supports at many colleges, universities, and training schools paid for with student tuition and fees.

**Check out the following online resources (in addition to what’s on page 10-11):**

- [www.how-to-study.com](http://www.how-to-study.com) Includes a wide variety of study tips, including interactive quizzes to find out more about yourself so your time is used wisely, like learning if you’re a visual, verbal, or tactile learner.
- [www.dartmouth.edu/~acs-skills/success/study.html](http://www.dartmouth.edu/~acs-skills/success/study.html) Includes information specifically for college students in a variety of formats (handouts, videos, etc.) to build successful study habits.
- [www.loc.gov](http://www.loc.gov) This site includes a basic and advanced catalog search of all subjects in the Library of Congress including books, periodicals, photographs, images, and sound recordings. This site is great for researching topics that you are interested in, even if just for a break from studying your least favorite class.
Tips on Tests

**Placement Tests:** Many schools require students to take a placement test prior to enrolling in classes. Some programs may require an additional placement test to be formally admitted after completing general studies. You can find out what tests your school uses and how to study for them from an academic advisor. If you scored lower than you expected and are referred to remedial or developmental classes, ask your academic advisor about retaking the test. Be honest with them if it was just test anxiety or if you really need a refresher.

**Testing out of class/classes:** You may be able to take a test and earn credit for a subject that you are familiar with, instead of taking a class and paying tuition. Some colleges will only allow you to do this a specific number of times, so make sure you understand all of their policies and procedures. Contact your advisor to learn more.

**Tips for more successful testing:**
- Sleep before your test!
- Study how you will be tested—if the test is online, be comfortable with the computer equipment available and find out if you will be allowed to use scratch paper etc. beforehand. If your test will be early in the morning or later in the day, try to study at those times so your biologic clock is in tune when taking the test.
- Make yourself a study guide or formula sheet, even if you aren’t allowed to use it for the actual test. This helps you organize your thoughts and remember important information.

DOs & DON’Ts of Professional Relationships

College professors have a large effect on your future and your educational experience. It is important to treat them with respect and build a professional relationship with faculty members throughout your college experience. In addition to learning in the classroom, you should look to faculty members for mentorship, research support, professional development, and as your ally when anything comes up while you are in college.

**DOs & DON’Ts:**
- Do refer to your professor as “Professor” or “Doctor” unless otherwise asked.
- Do read the syllabus before asking your professor a question; it is likely to be answered there, but don’t be afraid to ask because you are probably not alone in your question.
- Do visit faculty during office hours, or set up an appointment to speak with them. Be respectful of their time, ensure you are prompt, and go with your questions ready. Don’t be intimidated—most faculty are very friendly and love their subject, so they are happy to speak with interested students.
- Do ask your professors for help if you are struggling in a class, and ask questions early in the semester. Don’t put your struggles off until finals because putting it off doesn’t help.

Accommodations

Life happens, and not every test goes well or course is a good fit. Don’t stress out before finding out how something fits in the big picture. If something comes up in your personal life that you may need to take a leave of absence from school to deal with, remember that your school is more likely to be understanding than not. #1 is to communicate with your professors and the school’s support professionals about what is going on.

These people are then able to connect you with school and community resources, and help you figure out the best path forward. Each syllabus will explain your teachers’ policies regarding withdrawal, audit, “incomplete,” or other options, and your school’s student code or regulations will contain further information. Ask your advisor or the Dean of Students for help if you don’t understand your options. They are there to help you. Remember to consider the impacts to your scholarships and financial aid before making any changes to your student status.

So many of the things I have accomplished would have remained in a state of “someday” or “maybe next year” if not for generous help.
REFERENCE LETTER TIPS

Almost everyone at some point in time will be asked to provide a Reference Letter, whether it’s for employment, educational scholarships, or other opportunities that may further your success.

When asking an individual to provide you with reference letter, ask someone who knows you well and knows your potential to succeed in a particular career field or educational program. Possible reference sources may be your counselor, professor/teacher, supervisor, or colleagues. Family members are not viewed as an impartial reference source and should not be used. The CIRI Foundation keeps an applicant’s reference letter on file for three (3) years from the date it was written and signed.

The following suggestions may be helpful when you find an individual to write a reference letter for you:

- Give the referrer a copy of your resume and or educational description and describe why you need the reference. Your resume should list a stated purpose, work experience, educational history, and other accomplishments. If you know the referrer well, this will help the person write a better letter. The more he/she understands your objective and qualifications, the better reference he/she will be able to provide on your behalf.
- Ask the referrer to start the letter by describing how long he/she has known you and in what capacity. Include dates of employment and details about how he/she has worked with or known you.
- If the referrer is a past supervisor or co-worker, he/she should include your skills and performance and what makes/made you a good employee.
- The referrer should end by summarizing why he/she is recommending you for educational funding or a particular job. IMPORTANT: The letter should be signed and dated, and include the mailing address and phone number of the referrer or on company letterhead. This will provide the potential employer or educational funding office the necessary contact information to follow up if there are questions.
- Ensure that the reference letter is sent directly to you or addressed to the educational funding office. When you send out your resume or educational funding application, you should include a copy of each of the letters(s) and carry them with you to job interviews or to the educational funding office.

Send a prompt thank you letter to each of your references when you have completed your job search or received educational funding. It is wise to keep in close contact with your references for two reasons:

1) References can be a great networking tool to track down job leads or places to apply for additional educational funding, and
2) You may need their help again down the road.
Date

The CIRI Foundation  
Scholarship and Grant Department  
3600 San Jeronimo Drive, Suite 256  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508-2870

RE: Reference Letter for (Applicant’s Name)

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on (date). My name is (referrer’s name) and I was asked by (applicant’s name) to provide your organization with a reference letter so that he/she can complete his/her application to meet the requirements that he/she needs for educational funding.

- I have known (applicant) for (number) years.
- I am familiar with (applicant) as his/her (supervisor, co-worker, friend, etc.).
- I knew (applicant) to be a (talented, hard-working, loyal, etc.) employee.
- (Applicant) would be a (good, great, fabulous) candidate for the TCF Scholarship and Grant Program.

You may contact me at (referrer’s contact information) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

(Signature of Referrer)

Name
Address
City, State and Zip Code
Phone Number
Fax Number
Email Address
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For Scholarships, Grants, Fellowships, & Internship Programs

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