

Native American Scholarship Database for High School Students Entering College in 2024–25

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The scholarships listed in this document are specifically for Native American high school students. Students are encouraged to apply to **ALL** other financial aid for which they are eligible.

Helping students with Tribal Enrollment Questions

Students might need help understanding tribal enrollment procedures or may need to determine if their tribe is federally recognized for scholarship purposes. Students must call their tribe to ask about tribal enrollment eligibility and process. The enrollment process and timeline vary by tribe; it's recommended that students compile their documentation as juniors or at the start of their senior year.

- [List of Federally Recognized Tribes and Phone list](#)¹
- [List of State Recognized Tribes](#)²
- [U.S. Department of the Interior/Trace Indian Ancestry](#)³
- [Canadian First Nations](#)⁴: Many scholarships may only honor US federally recognized tribes; check with scholarships when applying if they cover First Nations of Canada

Common Documentation

1. **CDIB or Tribal Enrollment Letter:** Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (a.k.a. CIB, enrollment letter, letter of descent) is a document from the tribe's enrollment office showing the fraction of tribal blood for that member or descendant. Students should request documentation from each tribe from which they descend. *Some tribes will not give CDIB's for descendants; students should explain it is for scholarship purposes and see if the tribal enrollment office is able to provide any documentation showing their blood quantum. Some tribes may have residency requirements for enrollment.
2. **Birth Certificate:** If not already tribally enrolled, students seeking enrollment, will need a copy of their own birth certificate and maybe their parent(s)'s to prove lineage to the tribe from which they are requesting a CDIB.

¹ <https://www.ncai.org/tribal-directory>

² https://500nations.com/tribes/Tribes_States.asp

³ <https://www.doi.gov/tribes/trace-ancestry>

⁴ <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1462808207464/1572460627149#chp1>

3. **Recognition of Parentage:** If a parent's name is not on the birth certificate, a tribe might accept a completed [Recognition of Parentage form](#)⁵.

General Scholarships

American Association of Blacks in Energy (AABE)

Criteria:

- Underrepresented minority (African American, Hispanic, or Native American)
- Intend to pursue a major in business, physical sciences, technology, engineering, or mathematics field
- 3.0 GPA

Amount: \$3,000-5,000

Additional Information:

- Address: 1625 K St. NW, Suite 405, Washington DC 20006
- Phone: (202) 371-9530
- Email: scholarship@aabe.org
- Web: <https://aabescholarship.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/240124>

Deadline: April 15

American Chemistry Society – ACS Scholars Program

Criteria:

- African or African American, Native American, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian or Hispanic/Latinx
- 3.0 GPA and high achiever in science and chemistry courses
- Intend to major in chemistry, bio-chemistry, chemical engineering, chemistry technology, or other chemistry related field

Amount: \$1,000-5,000 annually

Additional Information:

- Address: ACS Scholars Program | 1155 16th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20036
- Phone: (800) 227-5558 ext. 6250
- Email: scholars@acs.org
- Web: <https://www.acs.org/education/acs-scholars.html>

Deadline: March 1

⁵ <https://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/children-and-families/services/child-support/programs-services/recognition-of-parentage.jsp>

Tourism and Hospitality Scholarship - American Indian Alaska Native Tourism Association (AIANTA)

Criteria:

- American Indian, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian heritage
- 2.5 GPA recommended
- Will pursue a certificate or degree in hospitality, tourism, recreation, culinary arts, or related field
- If awarded, must volunteer 12 hours with AIANTA, a Tribe, National Park, or public lands institution

Amount: \$2,000/year (5 scholarships available)

Additional Information:

- Sherrie Bowman, Education Support Specialist
- Phone: (505) 724-3592 or (505) 209-2479
- Email: info@aianta.org
- Web: <https://www.aianta.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: April 26

American Indian College Fund

Full Circle Scholarships for undergraduate (tribal colleges and universities and all non-profit and accredited schools). Visit website for list of U.S. tribal colleges: <https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/>

Criteria:

- Enrolled tribal member or descendant (at least one grandparent tribally enrolled)
- Canadians eligible under the Jay Treaty (born in Canada and 50% Indigenous) also qualify
- Enrolling full-time in a public or non-profit college/university
- Minimum 2.0 GPA/scholarships are competitive
- A complete list of scholarships and their requirements are available on the AICF website Multiple scholarships with varying award amounts- list available on the AICF website

Amount: List available on website. Must apply annually.

Additional Information:

- Address: Tribal Scholarship Program | 8333 Greenwood Blvd., Denver, CO 80221
- Phone: (800) 776-3863
- Watch online Application Walk Through video first on home page:
<https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/>

Deadline: Open February 1 through May 31 each year. Apply online

American Indian Medical Scholarship Program - National Society of the Colonial Dames of America

Criteria:

- ¼ or more American Indian and enrolled in tribe or can provide documentation of direct descendant from a tribe
- Accepted into an accredited 2yr or 4yr program in nursing, health care or health education
- Recommended by counselor, teacher or other school official

- Financial need
- Plan to work with Native American community upon degree completion

Amount: \$1,500/semester. Student can re-apply each semester as long as s/he remains in good academic standing

Additional Information:

- Address: NSCDA-Dumbarton House, Attn: Indian Medical Scholarship | 2715 Q Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007-3041
- Phone: (202) 337-2288 and (202) 337-0972
- Web: <https://nscda.org/student-resources/scholarship-opportunities/>

Deadline: Contact NSCDA for current deadline

American Indian Services

Criteria:

- Enrolled member or descendant of a federally recognized tribe
- 2.25 GPA
- Will enroll in an accredited college/university

Amount: Up to half of tuition and need

Additional information:

- Address: AIS Scholarship Department | 170 South Interstate Plaza Drive, Suite 200, Lehi, Utah 84043
- Phone: (801) 375-1777 ext. 1002
- Email: scholarship@americanindianservices.org
- Web: <https://www.americanindianservices.org/scholarships>

Deadline: Fall opens May 1 and DUE July 1; Spring opens September 1 and DUE November 1; Summer opens March 1 DUE April 1

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society⁶ - 3M Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- 3.0 GPA preferred
- Incoming freshman enrolling full-time in a 2-year or 4-year accredited college/university
- Majoring in a STEM area: Biology, Medical Sciences, Physical or Computer science, or Natural Resources

Amount: \$2,500 for up to 4 years

Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052

⁶ AISES Scholarships change each year and the 2022 scholarships will go live on January 31. This scholarship may not be available for 2022.

- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: April 30

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society⁷ - Aristocrat VGT Company Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Majoring in a STEM area or area related to casino gaming: Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Software Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Finance, Human Resources, or Supply Chain

Amount: \$2,500 for undergraduate students; \$5,000 for graduate students

Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052
- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://www.aises.org/scholarships/aristocrat-scholarship-2023-2024>

Deadline: April 30

- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society⁸ - Burlington Northern Santa Fe Foundation Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- Resident of AZ, AR, CA, CO, IL, IA, KS, LA, MN, MO, NE, NV, NM, ND, OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, WI, or WY
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Pursuing a (bachelor's degree) major in Business, Economics, Finance, Math, Technology, Supply Chain, Information Systems, Communications, Computer and Information Science, Construction Management, Construction trades, Marketing, Industrial Engineering or Agriculture

Amount: \$2,500 for up to 4 years

⁷ AISES Scholarships change each year and the 2022 scholarships will go live on January 31. This scholarship may not be available for 2022.

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Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052
- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: April 30

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society⁹ - Environmental Science Association Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Pursuing a STEM degree in the states of CA, FL, OR, or WA

Amount: \$2,000

Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052
- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: April 30

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society – Chevron Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Multiple degrees in AI, software, math, etc. Please see scholarship website for full listing.

Amount: \$2,000

Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052
- Email: info@aises.org

⁹ AISES Scholarships change each year and the 2022 scholarships will go live on January 31. This scholarship may not be available for 2022.

- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: May 31. Application opens January 31

AISES - American Indian Science and Engineering Society – Google Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Indigenous Canadian OR descendant
- Member of AISES required- free to HS students: <http://www.aises.org/membership>
- 3.0 GPA minimum
- Pursuing a degree in an energy industry field. Please see website for full list.
- Must demonstrate knowledge and interest in Chevron and energy industry.

Amount: \$5,000, must reapply annually

Additional Information:

- Address: AISES | 6321 Riverside Plaza Lane NW, Unit A, Albuquerque, NM 87120
- Phone: (505) 765-1052
- Email: info@aises.org
- Web: <https://aises.org/scholarships/>

Deadline: April 30

AMS - American Meteorological Underrepresented Communities Scholarship

Criteria:

- From a community underrepresented in science fields- especially Black/African American, Native American or Latinx (U.S. citizen)
- Will enter college full-time in fall
- Will study atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic science (not marine biology)
- 3.0 GPA

Amount: \$6,000 over first two years of college (\$3000/year) as long as in good academic standing

Additional Information:

- Address: AMS, 45 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108
- Phone: (617) 227-2426, Extension 3907
- Web: <https://www.ametsoc.org/ams/information-for/students/ams-scholarships-and-fellowships/>

Deadline: Feb. 23

Catching the Dream

Criteria:

- ¼ or more American Indian and enrolled in a federally recognized, state recognized or terminated tribe
- Excellent GPA

- High ACT or SAT score
- Leadership and commitment to their Indian community
- Must enroll as a full-time student intending to complete a B.A. degree or higher
- Students required to apply to and document all other sources of financial aid (minimum of 10 other sources) including grants, tribal aid, private scholarship and loans
- Letters of recommendation

Amount: TBD based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Catching the Dream, 8200 Mountain Rd. NE, Suite 103, Albuquerque, NM 87110
- Phone: (505) 262-2351
- Web: https://www.catchingthedream.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/CTD_Application_Fillable_.pdf

Deadline: April 30 for Fall; September 15 for Spring; March 15 for Summer

Cobell Scholarship - Undergraduate

Criteria:

- For students who have not yet completed a bachelor degree
- Enrolled in a federally recognized tribe
- Students will be a full-time degree seeking student at an accredited public or private (non-profit) institution
- Merit and Need-based (approx. 3.25 GPA)

Amount: Varies based on need and number of recipients; non-renewable

Additional Information:

- Address: Indigenous Education Inc., The Cobell Scholarship | 2155 Louisiana Blvd NE, Suite 10100, Albuquerque, NM 87110
- Phone: (844) 551-0650
- Email: scholarships@cobellscholar.org
- Web: https://webportalapp.com/sp/login/access_oasis

Deadline: March 31

Cobell Scholarship - Vocational

Criteria:

- For students who have not yet completed a degree and will enroll in a vocational credential, certificate or license program
- Enrolled in a federally recognized tribe
- Student will be a full-time degree seeking student at an accredited public or private (non-profit) institution
- Merit and Need-based (approx. 2.0 GPA)

Amount: Varies based on need and number of recipients; non-renewable

Additional Information:

- Address: Indigenous Education Inc., The Cobell Scholarship | 2155 Louisiana Blvd NE, Suite 10100, Albuquerque, NM 87110

- Phone: (844) 551-0650
- Email: scholarships@cobellscholar.org
- Web: https://webportalapp.com/sp/login/access_oasis

Deadline: Currently on hold; register and receive notice when more funding is available

Daughters of the American Revolution's - DAR American Indian Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a federally or state recognized tribe
- Entering a 2-year, 4-year college or graduate school (undergraduate students given preference)
- Financial need
- GPA of 3.25 or higher

Amount: \$4,000 one-time award

Additional Information:

- National Vice Chairman, DAR American Indians Committee
- Email: americanindiansschol@nsdar.org
- Web: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/american-indian>
- General application website: <https://dar.academicworks.com/opportunities/431>

Deadline: January 31

Daughters of the American Revolution's - Francis Crawford Marvin American Indian Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a federally or state recognized tribe
- Entering a 2-year, 4-year college
- Financial need
- GPA of 3.25 or higher

Amount: Amount varies; may re-apply annually

Additional Information:

- National Vice Chairman, DAR American Indians Committee
- Email: FCMarvinAmericanIndianScholarship@nsdar.org
- Web: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/american-indian>

Deadline: January 31

Ethel Curry American Indian Leadership Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a federally recognized tribe
- Pursuing a certificate or diploma in a career-specific program. 2-year, 4-year, graduate, or doctoral degree at an accredited Minnesota college/university.
- 2.0 GPA (3.0 for graduate degrees)
- Not related to a current MDE (Minnesota Department of Education) employee

Amount: Varies, but generally \$1,000-\$5,000

Additional Information:

- Address: Minnesota Department of Education | 400 NE Stinson Blvd, Minneapolis, MN 55413
- Phone: (651) 582-8253
- Email: mde.ethelcurryscholarship@state.mn.us
- Web: <https://education.mn.gov/MDE/fam/indian/ethelcurry/index.htm>

Deadline: May 31; application submissions are taken starting March 1

Indian Health Service Health Professionals Scholarship Program

Criteria:

- Eligible degrees change; see website for current list
- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe or terminated tribe
- 2.0 GPA minimum
- Intend to serve American Indian people as a health professional upon degree completion
- Service commitment upon degree completion

Amount: Tuition, fees, books, stipend for monthly living expenses, and other academic support costs like tutoring for up to 4 years

Other Information:

- Bemidji Area IHS (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin)
- Contact: Tony Buckanaga
- Phone: (218) 444-0486
- Email: tony.buckanaga@ihs.gov
- Web: <https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/apply/>

Deadline: Feb. 28

International Timber Council - Truman D. Picard¹⁰

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation
- Intending to pursue a degree in Natural Resources
- Commitment to education, community, and culture
- Financial need

Amount: \$2,000 for high school seniors

Additional information:

- Attn: Education Committee Intertribal Timber Council
- Address: 1112 N.E. 21st Ave, Suite 4, Portland, OR 97232-2114
- Phone: (503) 282-4296
- Email: intertribaltimbercouncil@gmail.com
- Web: https://www.itcnet.org/about_us/scholarships.html

¹⁰ Additional scholarships are available for students residing in specific states.

Deadline: January 26; postmarked or emailed by 5:00 PM Pacific Standard Time (PST)

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

Criteria:

- Minority student; U.S. citizen
- Leadership potential; dedicated to community service
- ACT or SAT, if taken. If you did not take, it will not impact your application
- Will attend a 4-year accredited college
- Financial need (not necessarily Pell eligible)
- Letter of recommendation from teacher, school counselor, employer, or mentor

Amount: Up to \$30,000 over 4 years plus mentoring, internships and employment opportunities

Additional Information:

- Address: Jackie Robinson Foundation | One Hudson Square, 75 Varick St., 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10013
- Phone: (212) 290-8600
- Web: <https://jackierobinson.org/apply/>

Deadline: January 10 at 5:00 PM EST (4:00 PM Central); winners notified end of June

Minnesota Association of Counselors of Color - MnACC First Year Scholarship and Presidential BIPOC Scholarship

Criteria:

- Identify as a BIPOC student
- Enrolled in the Fall at a [MnACC member institute](#)¹¹
- Presidential Scholarship applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and letter of recommendation

Amount: \$1,00-\$2,500 one-time award

Additional Information:

- Email: scholarships@mnacc.org
- Web: <https://www.mnacc.org/scholarships>

Deadline: March 15

Minnesota Indian Scholarship Program

Criteria:

- Minnesota Resident
- ¼ or more American Indian ancestry (documentation provided with applicant's name and degree of ancestry from each affiliated tribe) OR an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe or Canadian First Nation
- Eligible for either Pell Grant or MN State Grant

¹¹ <https://www.mnacc.org/directory>

- Undergraduates must be enrolled at least $\frac{3}{4}$ time at an accredited MN college or vocational school; Graduate students must be enrolled at least $\frac{1}{2}$ time

Amount: Based on need; maximum of \$4,000 for undergraduate students; \$6,000 for graduate students

Additional Information:

- Address: MN Indian Scholarship Program - Minnesota Office of Higher Education | 1450 Energy Park Dr., Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55108
- Phone: (651) 259-3939 and (800) 657-3866
- Email: Lara.Gerhardson@state.mn.us
- Web: <https://ohe.mn.gov/indianscholarship>

Deadline: July 1 priority deadline; application available online in February

National Society of Professional Engineers Educational Foundation - Maureen and Howard Blitman Scholarship to Promote Diversity in Engineering

Criteria:

- U.S. Citizen
- Enrolled tribal member OR descendant (or Hispanic, Pacific Islander, or African American)
- Accepted into an ABET (accredited board of engineering and technology) program at a 4yr college

Amount: \$5000 (\$2500/semester) one-time award

Additional Information:

- Address: Maureen L. & Howard N. - Blitman, P.E., Scholarship | 1420 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314-2794
- Email: students@nspe.org
- Phone: 888-285-6773
- Web: <https://www.nspe.org/career-growth/scholarships>

Deadline: April 1 or TBD (2024 scholarship was not online at time of update – check site for details)

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – All Native American High School Academic Team (ANAHSAT)

Criteria:

- Honors 10 high school students
- Enrolled member of a state or federally recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Outstanding original academic, artistic or leadership endeavor

Amount: \$250 one-time honorarium

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Web: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – Amateur Radio Digital Communications Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Enrolling full-time at an accredited institution and pursuing a degree with a focus in: wireless engineering, electrical engineering, computer science, data communications, networking, mechanical/material science, emergency management communications, mathematics, physics, or a major in a STEM or STEM-related discipline
- GPA of 3.0

Amount: Up to \$10,000 based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – BIE Scholarship for Service

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group
- Priority given to applicants pursuing fields such as, but not limited to, special education, elementary education, early childhood education, secondary education, education leadership, education administration, guidance counseling, social work, business administration, or information technology
- Agree to payback with service

Amount: Varies, based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>
- **Deadline:** June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – Funding the Future in Indian Country/Johnson Scholarship Foundation

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Enrolling full-time degree-seeking in accredited institution majoring in business, accounting, or finance

Amount: Up to \$10,000 based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – Land Conservation and Indigenous Languages Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Enrolling full-time at an accredited institution and pursuing a degree with a focus in: Indigenous languages, natural resources, land management, and conservation or cultural preservation
- GPA of 3.0

Amount: Amount based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – NextEra Energy Foundation Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Enrolling full-time at an accredited institution and pursuing a degree with a focus in: environment, energy, cultural sustainability, or a major in a STEM or STEM-related discipline
- GPA of 3.0

Amount: Up to \$5,000 based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Email: scholarships@nativeforward.org
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – Wells Fargo Scholarship for undergraduates

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- 2.7 GPA
- Enrolled full-time degree seeking in U.S. institution with any major

Amount: up to \$5000, based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Forward Scholarship Fund (formerly American Indian Graduate Center) – Wilson-Hooper Veterinary Medicine Assistance Program

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of a federally or state recognized tribe, Alaska Native group, OR descendant
- Enrolled full-time and pursuing a degree in Veterinary Medicine (DVM) or Veterinary Technology (Associates of Applied Science – AAS Degree)
- 3.0 GPA

Amount: up to \$5000 based on need and renewable

Additional Information:

- Address: Native Forward Scholars Fund, 10010 Indian School Rd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112
- Phone: 800-628-1920 or 505-881-4584
- Website: <https://www.nativeforward.org/scholarship-finder/>

Deadline: June 1

Native Vision

Criteria:

- Enrolled in federally recognized tribe or descendant
- 3.0 GPA
- Involved in extra-curriculars and/or athletics
- Sustained involvement in community with a concern for American Indian issues
- Will be a freshman at a 2-year or 4-year college in the fall

Amount: \$5,000 for freshman year

Additional Information:

- Contact: Marlena Hammen
- Phone: (443) 287-5167
- Email: mhammen@jhu.edu
- Web: <https://www.nativevision.org/index.html>

Deadline: May (TBD); application available in March

Page Education Foundation Grant

Criteria:

- Student of color (American Indian students can be tribally enrolled or of lineal descent)
- MN high school graduate and will attend an accredited MN 2-year or 4-year postsecondary institution full-time
- Must volunteer 50 hours/year academically serving or tutoring children grades K-8

Amount: \$1,000-\$2,500; must reapply annually

Additional Information:

- Address: Page Education Foundation | PO Box 581524, Minneapolis, MN 55458
- Mailing address: PO Box 581254, Minneapolis, MN 55458
- Phone: (612) 332-0406
- Web: <https://www.page-ed.org/apply/new-applicants/>

Deadline: April 1

Society for American Archaeology - NSF Scholarship for Archaeological Training and SAA Native American Undergraduate Archeology Scholarship

Criteria:

- Proof of enrollment OR lineage in a US or Canadian tribe, Native Hawaiian or Indigenous Pacific Islander
- Major in archaeological field
- Two letters of recommendation including one from an SAA member

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Additional Information:

- Address: Society for American Archaeology | 1990 K. St. NW, Suite 401, Washington, DC 20006
- Phone: (202) 789-8200
- Email: info@saa.org
- Web: <https://www.saa.org/career-practice/scholarships-and-grants/native-american-scholarships-fund>

Deadline: Jan. 31

Society for American Archaeology - Bertha Parker Award for Native American Women

Criteria:

- Proof of enrollment OR lineage in a US or Canadian tribe, Native Hawaiian or Indigenous Pacific Islander
- Female or gender non-conforming individual
- Major in archaeological field or museum studies
- Two letters of recommendation including one from an SAA member

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Additional Information:

- Address: Society for American Archaeology | 1990 K. St. NW, Suite 401, Washington, DC 20006
- Phone: (202) 789-8200
- Email: info@saa.org
- Web: <https://www.saa.org/career-practice/scholarships-and-grants/native-american-scholarships-fund>

Deadline: Jan. 31

Tiwahe Foundation - American Indian Family Empowerment Program Grant

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a federally-recognized, state-recognized, or Canadian tribe or proof of lineage
- 18 years or older
- Resident of 7 county-metro area: Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Scott, Ramsey and Washington counties
- Educational expenses for college degrees, certificates, vocational training, GED, college entrance exams (other grant funding in health and wellness, economic independence, or culture)

Amount: \$500-\$2,500

Additional Information:

- Address: Tiwahe Foundation | 332 Minnesota St, Suite W1520, St. Paul, MN 55101
- Phone: (612) 722-0999
- Email: info@tiwahefoundation.org
- Web: <https://tiwahefoundation.org/family-empowerment-program/>

Deadline: Two times a year (winter posts January 1 and is due March 15; summer posts July 1 and is due September 15)

Tribe Specific Scholarships

Minnesota | Bois Forte Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe
- Accepted to MN or out-of-state post-secondary school

Amount: Based on need; maximum of \$5000 for undergraduate students

Additional Information:

- Contact: Leanne Hoffman
- Phone: (218) 757-3261
- Email: lhoffman@boisforte-nsn.gov
- Web: <https://boisforte.com/resources/assistance-services/scholarships/>

Deadline: July 1 for fall

Minnesota | Grand Portage Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe

Amount: Based on need; re-apply each term

Additional Information:

- Address: Grand Portage Scholarship Program | PO Box 428, Grand Portage, MN
- Phone: (218) 475-2812
- Fax: (218) 475-2531
- App: <http://www.lltc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Grand-Portage-FA.pdf>

Deadline: Two weeks prior to start of classes

Minnesota | Fond du Lac Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Ojibwe

Amount: Based on need; additional “rewards” given for grades of ‘A, B and C’ in college classes

Additional Information:

- Location: Fond du Lac Tribal Center | Fond du Lac, MN
- Phone: (218) 879-4593 ext. 2681 and (800) 365-1613
- Email: scholarships@fdlrez.com
- Web: https://fdlband.org/community/scholarships/applications_forms.php

Deadline: July 1

Minnesota | Leech Lake Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe - Education Division, Attention: Dorothy | 190 Sailstar Drive NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633
- Phone: (218) 335-8253 and (866) 638-7738
- Web: <https://www.llojibwe.org/education/postsecondary.html>

Deadline: No deadline

Minnesota | Lower Sioux

Criteria: Enrolled member of Lower Sioux

Amount: Up to \$4000/semester; for tuition, fees, and books only

Additional Information:

- Address: Lower Sioux Community | PO Box 308, Morton, MN 56270
- Phone: (507) 697-6185 ext. 2600
- App: <https://lowersioux.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/LSIC-Higher-Education-Packet-2017.pdf>

Deadline: Committee meets second Wednesday of every month

Minnesota | Mille Lacs Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe OR biological or adopted child of an enrolled member

Amount: Based on need; up to \$9000/year for tuition and fees; can receive reimbursement for required books

Additional Information:

- Address: Mille Lacs Band Higher Education Office | 43408 Oodena Dr., Onamia, MN 56359
- Phone: (320) 532-4775 and (800) 709-6445 ext. 4775
- Email: MLB.Scholarships@millelacsband.com
- Web: <https://mlbo.dev/services/scholarship-program>

Deadline: August 15 for fall; December 15 for Winter/Spring; May 15 for Summer

Minnesota | Prairie Island

Criteria: Enrolled member of Prairie Island tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Members must set up a log-in account
- Location: Prairie Island Indian Community | Welch, MN
- Phone: (651) 385-4153 and (800) 554-5473
- Web: <https://prairieisland.org>

Deadline: Contact tribe

Minnesota | Red Lake Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of Red Lake Band of Ojibwe

Amount: Based on need -up to \$1,600/semester

Additional Information:

- Address: Oshikiimaajitahdah | 15525 Mendota Ave., PO Box 416, Redby, MN 56670
- Phone: (218) 679-3350
- App: <https://www.redlakenation.org/tribal-programs/>

Deadline: Fall: third Friday in September, Spring: third Friday in February

Minnesota | Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux

Criteria: Enrolled member of Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux

Additional Information:

- Location: Shakopee Sioux Community | Prior Lake, MN
- Phone: (952) 445-8900
- Web: <https://www.shakopeedakota.org>

Deadline: Contact tribe

Minnesota | Upper Sioux

Criteria: Enrolled member of Upper Sioux

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Location: Upper Sioux Community | Granite Falls, MN
- Phone: (320) 564-3853
- Web: <https://www.upperSiouxcommunity-nsn.gov>

Deadline: Contact tribe

Minnesota | White Earth Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of White Earth Band of Ojibwe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: White Earth Tribal Scholarship Program | PO Box 418, White Earth, MN 56591
- Phone: (218) 983-3285 ext. 5302 or 5304
- Web: <https://whiteearth.com/divisions/education/forms>

Deadline: May 31 priority

Montana | Blackfeet Nation Higher Education Grant

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Blackfeet nation

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Blackfeet Nation Higher Education Department, #9 Old Person Street, Tribal Finance Building, Browning, MT

- Phone: (406) 338-7539
- Web: <https://blackfeetnation.com/tribaldirectory/>

Deadline: Contact tribe

Montana | Crow Tribe Scholarship - Higher Ed Grant - Tribal Grant – AVT/Job Training

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Crow Tribe
- Planning to attend a 2-year or 4-year accredited institution
- Maintain 2.0 GPA at college
- 12 credits/semester required

Amount: Based on need. Up to \$5500/year (\$6000 with dependents)

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: Crow Nation Ed. Dept. | PO Box 159, 43 Heritage Lane, Crow Agency, MT 59022
- Phone: (406) 679-1276
- Web: <http://www.crow-nsn.gov/education.html>

Deadline: April (TBD). Check 2023 application deadline when posted

Montana | Fort Peck Tribes/Assiniboine-Sioux Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Fort Peck Tribes
- Must be Pell eligible

Amount: Based on need; *disbursed in monthly payments

Additional Information:

- Location: Fort Peck Tribes | Poplar, MT
- Phone: (406) 768-2394
- Email: eddept@fortpecktribes.net
- Web: <https://fortpecktribes.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/EDUCATION-DEPARTMENT-HE-Application-draft.pdf>

Deadline: July 15 for Fall, December 1 for Spring, May 1 for Summer

Nebraska | Omaha Tribe

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Omaha Tribe

Amount: Based on merit and need

Additional Information:

- Location: Omaha Tribe of Nebraska - Higher Education Office | Macy, NE 68039
- Phone: (402) 837-5357; call for application (not currently on web)
- Web: <https://www.omahatribe.com>

Deadline: July 1 for fall; November 15 for spring

Nebraska | Ponca Tribe Scholarship¹²

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Ponca Tribe

Amount: Up to \$4,800/year; based on need (\$1,000 max for certificate – non-degree program)

Additional Information:

- Address: Ponca Tribe of Nebraska - Education Department | 1800 Syracuse Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701
- Phone: (402) 371-8834
- Web: <https://www.poncatribene.gov/services/education/>

Deadline: August 15 for fall; December 15 for spring; May 15 for summer

Nebraska | Winnebago Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Winnebago Tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska | 916 N. Mission Dr., Winnebago, NE 68071
- Phone: (402) 878-2631
- Web: <https://winnebago-tribe.com/higher-education/>

Deadline: April 15 for fall; October 15 for spring

Nebraska | Santee Sioux (Dakota)

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Nebraska Santee Sioux Dakota Tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Santee Sioux Tribe | 425 Franzier Ave. N. Suite 2, Niobrara, NE 68760
- Phone: (402) 857-2302
- Email: Diane.Lapointe@ssndakota.com

Deadline: Contact tribe for application

North Carolina Eastern Band of Cherokee

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee
- Pursuing a certificate, 2-year, or 4-year degree from an accredited institution
- Must apply to at least one other scholarship

Amount: Based on need, computer allowance, book reimbursement

Additional Information:

- Address: EBCI Higher Education, PO Box 481, Cherokee, NC
- Phone: (828) 359-6650

¹² Senior Incentive also available for graduating high school senior. Attendance Incentive also available for high school students.

- Email: kylageor@ebci-nsn.gov

Deadline: June 1 for Fall, October 1 for Spring, April 1 for Summer

North Dakota | Three Affiliated Tribes Scholarship – Hidatsa – Mandan – Arikara

Criteria: Enrolled member of Three Affiliated Tribes

Amount: Up to \$9000/year and \$2,500 for summer session

Additional Information:

- Address: Three Affiliated Tribes | 1321 Elbowoods Ln., Bismarck, ND 58503
- Phone: (701) 751-2928 ext. 210
- Email: kathyjohnson@mhanation.com
- Web: <https://www.mhanation.com/egp>

Deadline: July 14 for fall; Nov. 15 for spring; April 15 for summer

North Dakota | Spirit Lake Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of Spirit Lake
- 3.0 GPA
- Accepted into a degree seeking program (Associate or Bachelor's)

Amount: see site for updates.

Additional Information:

- Address: Spirit Lake Education Office | 816 3rd Ave. N, PO Box 359, Fort Totten, ND 58335
- Phone: (701) 230-0972
- Email: sltedu@spiritlekenation.com
- Web: <http://www.spiritlekenation.com/programs/departments/education/>

Deadline: on hold per website, contract tribe

North Dakota - South Dakota | Standing Rock Sioux Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of Standing Rock Lakota Tribe

Amount: Based on need up to \$3500/semester

Additional Information:

- Address: Standing Rock Sioux Tribe - Higher Education Program | PO Box D, Fort Yates, ND 58538
- Phone: (701) 854-8545
- Email: cironeyes@standingrock.org
- App: <https://www.standingrock.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/SRST-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

Deadline: June 30 for fall; Nov. 30 for spring; April 30 for summer

North Dakota | Turtle Mountain

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of Turtle Mountain Chippewa

- Might not fund out of North Dakota colleges; depends on funding year to year

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa - Tribal Scholarship Program | PO Box 900, Belcourt, ND 58316
- Phone: (701) 477-8102
- Email: info@tmbci.org
- Web: <https://tmchippewa.com>

Deadline: September 1

Oklahoma | Cherokee Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Cherokee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Will enroll in a 4-year college or 2-year community college (not technical college)
- *Students can receive funding for colleges outside of Oklahoma only if they are eligible for Federal Pell Grant

Amount: Up to \$2000/semester

Additional Information:

- Address: Cherokee Tribe of Oklahoma | 17675 S. Muskogee Ave., Tahlequah, OK 74464
- Phone: (918) 453-5000 ext. 5341
- Email: education@cherokee.org
- Web: <https://www.cherokee.org/all-services/education-services/college-resources/higher-education/>

Deadline: June 15; application available March 1

Oklahoma | Citizen Potawatomi Nation Scholarship

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation
- Will pursue an undergraduate or graduate degree (not technical)
- *Funding for technical degrees through: <https://www.potawatomi.org/blog/service/workforce-development-social-services/>

Amount: Up to \$2,000/semester full-time and \$750/semester part-time; tuition only, based on need

Additional Information:

- Location: Citizen Potawatomi Nation | Shawnee, OK 74801
- Phone: (405) 695-6028
- Email: college@potawatomi.org
- Web: <https://www.potawatomi.org/blog/service/departments-of-education/>
- Students need to set up an account

Deadline: Sept. 15 for fall; Feb. 15 for spring; June 15 for summer

Oklahoma | Choctaw Nation Scholarships

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Choctaw Nation

- Pursuing a minimum of an Associate Degree

Amount: awards based on number of credits taking and previous term's grades

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: High Education Program | PO Box 1210, Durant, OK 74702
- Phone: (580) 924-8280 and (800) 522-6170
- Web: <https://www.choctawnation.com/services/higher-education/>

Deadline: Oct. 1 for fall (application available Aug. 1); March 1 for spring; June 15 for summer

South Dakota | Cheyenne River Sioux Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe | PO Box 590, Eagle Butte, SD 57625
- Phone: (605) 964-7880
- Web: <https://crsteducationservices.com/crst-higher-ed>

Deadline: June 15 for fall; Nov. 15 for spring; April 15 for summer

South Dakota | Flandreau Santee Sioux Scholarship (Dakota)

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of the Santee Sioux Tribe at Flandreau
- AVT grants for 2-year vocational programs
- Higher Ed grants for bachelor degree

Amount: Based on need; up to \$1,300 for freshmen (more for upper classmen)

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe | PO Box 283, Flandreau, SD 57028
- Phone: (605) 997-2859
- App: <https://fsst-nsn.gov/higher-education>

Deadline: One month before the semester that funds are needed

South Dakota | Sisseton-Wahpeton Scholarship (Dakota)

Criteria:

- Enrolled member of Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Tribe

Amount: based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate - Higher Ed. Program | PO Box 509, Agency Village, SD 57262
- Phone: (605) 742-0150
- Email: JanellB@swo-nsn.gov
- Web: <https://www.swo-nsn.gov/departments/departments-of-education/>

Deadline: Not specified, contact tribe

South Dakota | Pine Ridge Scholarship (Lakota)

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Pine Ridge Lakota Tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: Oglala Sioux Tribe - Higher Education Grant Program | PO Box 562, Pine Ridge, SD 57770-0562
- Phone: (605) 867-5338
- App: <https://uttc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/SD-Oglala-Sioux-Higher-Ed.pdf>

Deadline: June 15 for fall; Nov. 15 for spring; April 1 for summer

South Dakota | Rosebud Scholarship (Lakota)

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Rosebud Lakota Tribe

Amount: Based on need; can also assist with ACT and application fees

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: RST Higher Education Program | PO Box 40, Rosebud, SD 57570
- Phone: (605) 747-2375
- Web: <http://www.rst-education-department.com/higher-education-services/>

Deadline: July 1 for fall; Dec. 1 for spring

South Dakota | Yankton Scholarship (Dakota)

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Yankton Dakota Tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Mailing Address: Yankton Sioux Tribe | PO Box 1153, Wagner, SD 57380
- Phone: (605) 384-3382
- Web: <https://www.yanktonsiouxtribe.net/higher-education/>

Deadline: July 1 for Fall, December 1 for Spring

Wisconsin | Ho-Chunk Scholarship¹³

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Higher Education Office | PO Box 667, Black River Falls, WI 54615
- Phone: (800) 362-4476
- Application not online yet, check back or call for updated application for 2023-24
- Web: <https://ho-chunknation.com/government/executive-branch/education/>

Deadline: Prior to first day of classes; preference for 90 days prior

¹³ Pre-K to 12 reimbursement for parental costs for school related expenses also available.

Wisconsin | Lac Courtes Oreilles

Criteria: Enrolled member of the LCO tribe

Amount: Based on need

Additional Information:

- Address: Higher Education Office | Hayward, WI 54843
- Phone: (715) 634-8934
- Email: lcotribe@yahoo.com
- Call/email for application
- Web: <https://www.lcotribe.com/higher-education>

Deadline: First come, first serve

Wisconsin | Menominee Scholarship

Criteria: Enrolled member of the Menominee Tribe

- Separate application for diploma/certificate technical programs

Amount: Up to \$2,400/year

Additional Information:

- Address: Menominee Tribal Scholarship | PO Box 910, Keshena, WI 54135
- Phone: (715) 799-5110
- Email: smchapman@mitw.org
- Web: <https://www.menominee-nsn.gov/Files/2025-2026%20Menominee%20Tribal%20Scholarship.pdf>

Deadline: None listed; contact tribe