

## UVic External Awards List

# Aboriginal Student Awards

### Aboriginal Canada Portal Website

A resource website that has a search engine. Type “scholarships” and you will get direct links to over 400 websites that offer funding opportunities.

Web link: <http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/acp/site.nsf/en/index.html>

### Aboriginal Learning Links

Scholarships, Grants and Bursaries listed.

Web link: <http://www.aboriginallearning.ca/resources/1/1/2>

### Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada

Various awards for aboriginal students listed.

Further Information: Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada  
56 Sparks Street – Suite 502  
Ottawa, ON K1P 5A9  
Tel: (613) 724-4677 Toll Free: 1-866-724-3049  
Fax: (613) 724-4718  
E-mail: [information@anac.on.ca](mailto:information@anac.on.ca)  
Web link: <http://www.anac.on.ca/index.html>

### Aboriginal Scholarship/Bursary Guide

AMMSA- Aboriginal Multi-Media Society provides a listing of Aboriginal scholarships and bursaries.

Web link: <http://www.ammsa.com/ammsabursary.html>

### Aboriginal Veteran's Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund

This scholarship fund is available to all Aboriginal post-secondary education students who are or will be enrolled in a post-secondary program of two years or more. Preference may be given to descendants of Aboriginal veterans.

Apply to: National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation  
PO Box 769  
2160 Fourth Line  
Ohsweken, ON N0A 1M0  
Tel: (416)926-0775 Toll Free: 1-800-329-9780  
Fax: (416) 926-7554  
E-mail: [education@naaf.ca](mailto:education@naaf.ca)  
Web link: [http://www.naaf.ca/html/veterans\\_trust\\_e.html](http://www.naaf.ca/html/veterans_trust_e.html)

### **Helen Basset Commemorative Student Scholarships**

Four awards of \$1,000 are available to Aboriginal women of First Nations/Métis descent. To be eligible for the award, you must be pursuing post-secondary studies, or just completing your studies, be under 31 years of age and have demonstrated a commitment to bettering the socio-economic, legal and/or cultural status of Aboriginal women. The application deadline is July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Youth Intervener c/o  
Native Women's Association of Canada  
1292 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1Y 3A9  
Toll Free: 1-800-461-3033 Ext. 230  
Fax: (613) 722-7687  
E-mail: [youth@nwac-hq.org](mailto:youth@nwac-hq.org)  
Web link: <http://www.nwac-hq.org/en/youthscholars.html>

### **BC Aboriginal Student Award**

BC Aboriginal Student Awards (BCASA) support gaining access to post-secondary education. Applicants must apply for an initial BCASA award before the second year of any eligible program of study. Awards of \$1000 - \$3500 are available to Aboriginal students enrolled in postsecondary studies of at least nine weeks long.

Application for this award includes: a brief history and outline of education and career goals; supporting evidence of Aboriginal ancestry from an individual, a band or a recognized Aboriginal organization; evidence of community service either Aboriginal or other; proof of acceptance into an eligible program of study; and evidence of financial need (optional). Application and documentation due no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>

Apply to: Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society  
c/o The Victoria Foundation  
#109 – 645 Fort St.  
Victoria, BC V8W 1G2  
Phone: (250) 381-5532 Fax: (250) 480-1129  
E-mail: [info@bcscholarship.ca](mailto:info@bcscholarship.ca)  
Web link: <http://www.bcscholarship.ca/web/>

## **BC ACADRE Aboriginal Health Research Awards & Fellowships**

These awards are available to students attending a post-secondary institution in British Columbia and enrolled in health science programs and/or undertaking Aboriginal health related research in the province of British Columbia. Students of Aboriginal ancestry are strongly urged to apply.

**NOTE: An annual call for Applications for the Awards and Fellowships is released every fall. This document will be posted on the website at that time.** \*Please note that the types and numbers of awards may vary each year.

### **Types of Health Research Awards & Fellowships**

The following Aboriginal Health Research Awards & Fellowships are offered by the BC ACADRE. (NOTE: the numbers and amounts of the awards may vary depending upon eligible applications.)

#### **1. Undergraduate Student - Health Research Awards**

Up to 5 research awards in the amount of up to \$4,048.00 each will be given to students enrolled in health science programs. Applicants must identify a faculty mentor who is willing to supervise their work on the faculty member's Aboriginal health research project.

#### **2. Master's Student - Health Research Fellowships**

Up to 6 research fellowships in the amount of up to \$16,000.00 each (per annum) will be given to students enrolled in health science programs and/or who are conducting research about Aboriginal health. Applicants must indicate their research interests and demonstrate how their program of study addresses Aboriginal health research.

#### **3. PhD Student - Health Research Fellowships**

Up to 3 research fellowships in the amount of up to \$19,030.00 each (per annum) will be given to students enrolled in health science professional degree programs and/or who are conducting Aboriginal health research. Meritorious candidates may receive an award for a total of 3 years. Applicants must indicate their research interests and demonstrate how their program of study addresses Aboriginal health research.

#### **4. Post Doctoral Fellowship, New Investigator and Investigator Awards for Aboriginal Faculty**

Subject to availability of funds, postdoctoral fellowships or new-investigator grants are made available to students that are identified in a competition.

1 An applicant will be considered to be meritorious if the following criteria are met: 1. substantial progress in program, 2. continued support from community, and 3. recommendation of supervisor.

Contact: B.C. Aboriginal Capacity and Research Development Environment  
Institute for Aboriginal Health  
#400-2194 Health Sciences Mall  
Instructional Resource Centre  
Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6T 1Z3  
Tel (604) 827-5464  
Toll Free Number 1.866.880.5464 | Fax (604) 822-6612  
Email: [lindaday@interchange.ubc.ca](mailto:lindaday@interchange.ubc.ca)  
Web link: <http://www.iah.ubc.ca/FellowshipsBursariesScholarships.htm>

### **BC Hydro - Aboriginal Peoples**

**Eight \$1,000 scholarships** are offered to individuals who are status/non-status Indians, Inuit or Métis and are residents of B.C. and who plan to enroll in a full-time public post-secondary institution in B.C. or who are attending a full-time public post-secondary institution in B.C. in any field of study. In addition, one student will be honoured with the **\$2,000 Randy Brant Memorial Scholarship** based on a combination of academic achievement and outstanding community involvement. No essay is required. Application deadline is April 3rd.

Apply to: Aboriginal Scholarship Program  
B.C. Hydro Outreach Programs - Scholarships  
16<sup>th</sup> Floor, 333 Dunsmuir Street  
Vancouver, BC V6S 5R3  
Tel: (604) 623-3617  
Web link:  
[http://www.bchydro.com/community/community\\_investment/scholarships.html?WT.mc\\_id=rd\\_scholarships](http://www.bchydro.com/community/community_investment/scholarships.html?WT.mc_id=rd_scholarships)

### **BC Ministry of Community, Aboriginal & Women's Services - First Citizen's Fund**

The First Citizens Fund Student Bursary Program provides financial assistance to Aboriginal students enrolled in post-secondary education programs. Students of Aboriginal ancestry who are ordinarily resident in British Columbia and registered full-time in a post-secondary program of two or more years duration can apply. Students must demonstrate financial need and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA (grade point average) or C+ grade equivalent in order to qualify. The program supports undergraduate and graduate students in degree programs, and students in two-year diploma or certificate programs. Bursaries are also available to students with disabilities who may need a longer period of time to complete their education. Please contact the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centers or visit their website for application details. Application deadline is May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centers  
200 - 506 Fort Street  
Victoria, BC V8W 1E6  
Tel: 250 388-5522 or Toll-Free 1-800-990-2432  
Fax: 250 388-5502  
Email: [info@bcaafc.com](mailto:info@bcaafc.com)  
Web link: <http://www.bcaafc.com/>

### **BCR Group of Companies Scholarships and Bursaries Awards**

Seven scholarships of \$1000 each and five of \$500 are offered. These awards are given to Aboriginal students who are ordinarily residents of British Columbia, and who have successfully completed the first year of a full-time post-secondary education in a discipline relevant to a broad range of B.C. Rail's neighboring First Nations. Scholarship recipients are selected based on academic standing, as well as evidence of a balanced lifestyle, excellent communication skills and innovation. The level of interest in a BCR Group of Companies career and financial need is also considered. Application deadline is the first Friday in December.

Apply to: BCR Group of Companies  
Aboriginal Relations  
c/o Leonie Rivers - Community Liaison  
P.O. Box 8770  
Vancouver, BC V6B 4X6

Web link: <http://pse-esd.ainc-inac.gc.ca/abs/ResourceDisplay.asp?ID=139&lang=E>

### **Calverly Estate Scholarship Fund**

Scholarships in the amounts of \$300 and \$500 will be awarded to non-status Aboriginal applicants who have been BC residents for the last six months and are active members of the United Native Nations local in their area (or be active in their individual community toward the betterment of Aboriginal peoples). Submit application form with school transcript, a letter of recommendation (from UNN Local President, Chief, Council, Band Manager, school counselor, teacher or principal), a personal profile, a letter stating career goals, personal traits/characteristics and involvement with UNN.

The grant will be made bi-annually the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December and the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August.

Apply to: United Native Nations  
110-425 Carrall Street  
Vancouver, BC V6B 6E3  
Tel: (604) 688-1821 Fax: (604) 688-1823  
Toll Free: 1-800-555-9756  
E-mail: [anne@unns.bc.ca](mailto:anne@unns.bc.ca)  
Web link: <http://www.unns.bc.ca/>

## **CHCI Scholarship and Bursary Programs**

Bursaries are available to assist students of Aboriginal ancestry who wish to pursue educational opportunities leading to careers in health professions. Candidates must be Canadian citizens of Aboriginal ancestry who have resided in British Columbia for the last 12 months. Candidates must demonstrate financial need and be acceptable for enrolment in a professional health careers program. A professional health careers program is a post-secondary program in a federally recognized college or university that provides a degree or diploma qualifying graduates for employment in an accredited health career professions, such as medicine, nursing, dentistry, health administration or traditional medicine.

The application deadline is June 16th.

Apply to: First Nations Chiefs' Health Committee  
#620-100 Park Royal South  
West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2  
Tel: (604) 913-2080 Ext.27 or 1-866-913-0033  
Fax: (604) 980-2081  
Email: [tfrasert@fnchc.ca](mailto:tfrasert@fnchc.ca)

## **Chief Joe Matthias BC Aboriginal Scholarship Fund**

In order to be eligible a student must be a member of a BC First Nation; show financial need and demonstrable merit; be a current student of a post-secondary institution working towards a degree, certificate or diploma.

Apply to: Chief Joe Matthias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship Fund  
c/o P.O. Box 49279  
2800-1055 Dunsmuir Street  
Vancouver, BC V7X 1P4  
Tel: (604) 640-4921 (Melissa Arnell)  
Email [marnell@deloitte.ca](mailto:marnell@deloitte.ca)

Web link:

[http://www.fnesc.ca/current\\_issues/scholarships/Chief%20Joe%20Mathias%20Scholarship%20Application%2003-06.pdf](http://www.fnesc.ca/current_issues/scholarships/Chief%20Joe%20Mathias%20Scholarship%20Application%2003-06.pdf)

## **CN Aboriginal Awards**

Awarded under Aboriginal Achievement Awards

Web link: <http://www.cn.ca/en/careers-offer-scholarships-aboriginal-awards.htm>

## **Department of Justice Canada: Financial Assistance**

The LSAP program is a bursary program for legal studies available to Métis and Non-Status Indian students. The program is designed to promote equitable representation of Aboriginal people in the legal profession by providing financial assistance to those who wish to enter and to those currently enrolled in a law school program in Canada.

To be considered for bursary under the LSAP Program, an applicant must:

- Be Métis or Non-Status Indian of Canadian citizenship, living in Canada, who has applied to a Canadian law school;
- Attest to Métis or Non-Status Indian ancestry by signing the declaration in the application form;
- Demonstrate financial need by providing financial information on income or other assistance received and expenses as required in the application form; and,
- Demonstrate that they possess the ability to succeed in law school by providing the necessary documentation as identified in the application

Application deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to:           The Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program  
                          Department of Justice Canada  
                          Programs Branch  
                          284 Wellington Street, EMB - 6th floor  
                          Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8  
                          Tel: 1-888-606-5111 (Local calls: 941-0388)  
                          E-mail: [LSAP06@justice.gc.ca](mailto:LSAP06@justice.gc.ca)  
                          Web link: <http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/pb-dgp/prog/lsap-aeda.html>

## **First Citizens Fund - Student Bursary Program**

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Students must demonstrate financial need and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA (grade point average) or C+ grade equivalent in order to qualify. The program supports undergraduate and graduate students in degree programs, and students in two- year diploma or certificate programs.

Bursaries are also available to students with disabilities who may need a longer period of time to complete their education.

Contact ; BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres  
3200 – 506 Fort Street  
Victoria, BC v8W 1E6  
Tel: (250) 388-5522 Fax: (250) 388-5502  
Web link: <http://www.bcaafc.com/content/view/33/625/>

### **First Nations Education Steering Committee**

Web link: <http://www.fnesc.ca/index.php>

### **First Nations Health Careers Bursary Program**

First Nations Health Careers Bursary Program offers several awards up to a maximum of \$2,500 to First Nations students residing in British Columbia who are enrolled in health care programs in recognized postsecondary educational facilities or training centers. The amount of the bursary is determined by need. Application deadline is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: First Nations Health Careers Bursary  
Native Education Centre  
285 5th Ave. East  
Vancouver BC V5T 1H2  
Tel: (604) 873-3761 Fax: (604) 873-9152  
Web link: <http://pse-esd.ainc-inac.gc.ca/abs/ResourceDisplay.asp?ID=149&lang=E>

### **Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY)**

FAAY is the scholarship program operated by the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB). Corporate sponsors who support FAAY will award over \$225,000 in scholarships and bursaries to Aboriginals (Status, Non-Status, Metis and Inuit). To qualify for a scholarship, students must be enrolled in a Canadian university, college or technical institute. There is no age restriction for post-secondary students.

Scholarships and bursaries are awarded on a national basis and are based on specific criteria, including contributions to the community, academic performance, career goals plus leadership- role model qualities. Application deadline is October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth (FAAY)  
c/o CCAB  
204A St. George St.  
Coach House, Main Floor  
Toronto, ON M5R 2N5  
Tel: (416) 961-8663 Ext.227 Fax: (416) 961-3995  
E-mail: [faayinfo@ccab.com](mailto:faayinfo@ccab.com)  
Web link: <http://www.ccab.com/>

## **GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders Program in Canada**

The GE Foundation seeks to increase access to higher education by identifying and recognizing up to 15 accomplished first-year undergraduate students from universities across Canada who are pursuing degrees in the fields of engineering and business/management and are a member of one of the following groups: **Aboriginal peoples\***, **persons with disabilities\*\*** and **women in engineering programs**.

Why Apply?

A \$4000 per year scholarship for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th years of your undergraduate program. An opportunity to be mentored by a business leader at GE in Canada. Inclusion in GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders activities, including a specially designed summer leadership seminar at GE Canada in Mississauga, Ontario . Participation in community development projects

Application deadline is February 28<sup>th</sup>

### **Apply: GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders Program in Canada**

Institute of International Education  
809 United Nations Plaza  
New York, NY 10017  
USA

Email: [gefslp-canada@iie.org](mailto:gefslp-canada@iie.org)  
Phone: 1-800-486-0308  
Fax: 1-212-984-5393

Web link:

[http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Programs\\_Portal&Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&activityid=408](http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Programs_Portal&Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&activityid=408)

## **Gitxsan Health Society Bursary**

A one-time bursary award available to a post secondary student who is of Gitxsan ancestry who is currently studying in a recognized post secondary institution in a health field. Please submit: a completed application form, current proof of attendance, current transcripts of your study, two letters of reference from non-family members, a personal profile, and an essay (see application form for guidelines).

Application form is available at post secondary institutions, band offices and health stations of: Gitanmaax, Kispiox, , Glen Vowell and at the office of Gitxsan Health Society in Hazelton.

The completed application along with all required back-up documentation must be received by Gitxsan Health Society Office by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Gitxsan Health Society  
P.O. Box 223  
Hazelton, BC v0J 1Y0  
Tel: (250) 842-5165 or 1-800-663-9935  
Fax: (250) 842-0079 or (250) 842-5587  
E-mail: [herthaholland@gitxsan.net](mailto:herthaholland@gitxsan.net)

### **Health Sciences Association of B.C. Aboriginal Bursary Award**

One bursary of \$500. This bursary is open to Aboriginal students who are continuing or proceeding in any HSA field leading to a recognized certificate, degree or diploma at any college, university or other post-secondary educational institution. Primary consideration is given to residents of British Columbia attending a Canadian post-secondary educational institution. The bursary is based on a combination of scholastic merit, financial need and commitment to pursuing education in a HAS-related field. Previous scholarship or bursary winners are ineligible. The application deadline is late February.

Apply to: Health Sciences Association of B.C. Office  
Suite 300 - 5118 Joyce Street  
Vancouver, BC V5R 4H1  
Tel: (604) 439-0994 Toll Free: 1-800-663-2017  
Fax: (604) 439-0976 Toll Free: 1-800-663-6119  
Web link: <http://www.hsabc.org/content.php?id=10&sid=5#scholarships>

### **Heroes of Our Time Award**

Eight awards of \$2000 provided to a Aboriginal students in need of financial assistance who have completed at least one year in a post-secondary education field of Criminology, Native Studies, Social Work, Political Science, Medicine, Law, Education and Science has demonstrated exceptional academic abilities, and has been involved in and shown commitment to extra-curricular/volunteer activities. Application deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Apply to: Heroes of Our Time Awards  
Attn: Selection Committee  
1 Nicholas Street - #1002  
Ottawa, ON K1N 7B7  
Tel: (613) 241-6789 Fax: (613) 241-5808  
Web link: <http://www.afn.ca/article.asp?id=3>

### **Elizabeth Hill Chee-Meegwetch Endowment Fund**

Funds are available to enhance the education and professional development of First Nations social work students at the University of Victoria. The School of Social Work First Nations Circle administers this fund.

Application deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Elizabeth Chee-Meegwetch Endowment Fund  
School of Social Work  
Human and Social Development Building, Room B302  
University of Victoria  
Victoria, BC V8W 2Y2

Web link:

[http://www.nautsamawt.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&catid=57:scholarships&id=117:elizabeth-hill-endowment&Itemid=68](http://www.nautsamawt.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&catid=57:scholarships&id=117:elizabeth-hill-endowment&Itemid=68)

### **Husky Oil Education Awards for Native People**

There are up to 7 awards in the amount of \$3,000 each for Aboriginal students who are Canadian citizens. They should show financial need and demonstrate a serious interest in furthering their educational and career development. Preference will be given to applicants whose residence is located on or near one of Husky's exploration, development or operation sites, and who are pursuing a career in the oil and gas industry. Application deadline is May 31st each year.

Apply to: Aboriginal Relations  
Husky Oil Operations Ltd  
PO Box 6525, Station D  
Calgary, AB T2P 3G7  
Tel: (403) 298-6780

### **Imperial Oil Limited – Aboriginal Scholarship Award**

Four scholarships ranging from \$3,500 to \$4,500 awards are available to Aboriginal students enrolled in full-time, petroleum industry related studies and have financial need. Your grades will be considered. You must have been living in B.C., Alberta, Saskatchewan, the Yukon or the Northwest Territories for 12 months before applying. Application deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Administrator  
Aboriginal Scholarship Awards Program  
Imperial Oil  
237 Fourth Avenue SW  
P.O. Box 2480, Station M  
Calgary, AB T2P 3M9  
Tel: (403) 237-4444 Fax: (403) 237-2593

Web link:

<http://www.huskyenergy.com/socialresponsibility/communityinvestment/wherehuskyinvests/education.asp>

## **Indian and Northern Affairs Canada**

The purpose of the Aboriginal Bursary System is to provide Aboriginal students with a valuable tool to facilitate their pursuit of post-secondary studies. These awards are made available by various organizations and institutions. Bursary awards may be searched by region, discipline, providers or key words.

To apply for bursaries the organizations that are awarding them must be contacted. Contact information is provided on the web site.

Web link: <http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/pse-eng.asp>

## **Pam Koczapska Memorial Award**

The Pam Koczapska Memorial Award of up to \$1000 will honour students planning a career in education or in any professional field that will benefit the Upper Sto:lo people.

Preference is given to Sto:lo students and then to First Nations students who have lived in the Sto:lo area between Langley and Yale for at least 24 months. Selection is based on personal qualities, volunteer work, marks and financial need. Application deadline is May 1<sup>st</sup>

Apply to:           Coqualeetza Cultural Education Centre  
                          P.O. Box 2370  
                          Sardis Main Station  
                          Chilliwack, BC V2R 1A7  
                          Tel: (604) 858-9431   Fax: (604) 858-8488  
                          E-mail: [coqualee@dowco.com](mailto:coqualee@dowco.com)

## **Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Grants and Scholarships Program**

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To be considered for bursary under the LSAP Program, an applicant must:

- Be Métis or Non-Status Indian of Canadian citizenship, living in Canada, who has applied to a Canadian law school;

- Attest to Métis or Non-Status Indian ancestry by signing the declaration in the application form;
- Demonstrate financial need by providing financial information on income or other assistance received and expenses as required in the application form; and,
- Demonstrate that they possess the ability to succeed in law school by providing the necessary documentation as identified in the application.

Application deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Department of Justice Canada  
 Programs Branch  
 284 Wellington Street, EMB - 6th floor  
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H8  
 Tel: 1-888-606-5111 (Local calls: 941-0388)  
 E-mail: [LSAP@justice.gc.ca](mailto:LSAP@justice.gc.ca)  
 Web link: <http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/pb-dgp/prog/lsap-aeda.html>

### **MBSS Scholarship Inventory Listing**

Web link: [http://www.mbaker.com/scholarships/scholarship\\_inventory.pdf](http://www.mbaker.com/scholarships/scholarship_inventory.pdf)

### **Mungo Martin Memorial Award**

Ten to fifteen awards of \$200 to \$500 are given annually to full-time First Nations, Inuit and Metis students.

This award helps Aboriginal students pursue painting, carving, music, dance, folklore or language studies that further their artistic heritage. Students must be living in BC and be enrolled in an accredited post-secondary school. They must submit two references and an official transcript with their application. The application deadline is August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Apply to: President, Mungo Martin Memorial Awards Society  
 Box 883  
 Qualicum Beach, BC V9K 1T2  
 Tel: (250) 752-8785 Fax: (250) 752-3076  
 Web link: <http://www.ammsa.com/bursary-bc.html#anchor2087070>

### **Bill and Elsie More First Nations Bursary**

A number of bursaries up to \$500 are available. Applicant must be a First Nations (status or non-status) post-secondary student. Preference is given to students who have completed part of their program of study. Applicant must document financial need.

Awards are usually made at the beginning of October. Preference will be given to applicants in the helping professions such as: education, social sciences, nursing/medicine, law and theology. Students should submit a letter of self-description, expressing their sincerity and interest in accomplishing their educational goal plus demonstrated financial need.

Apply to: Arthur J. More, PHD  
ECPS, University of BC  
c/o 5611 Woods Ave.  
Summerland, BC V0H 1Z9  
E-mail: <mailto:art.more@ubc.ca>  
Tel & Fax: (250) 494-0307

### **Much Music Aboriginal Youth Scholarship**

This \$5000 scholarship created in partnership with the AYN (Aboriginal Youth Network) will be awarded to the individual who best demonstrates skill, talent, excellence and enthusiasm in pursuing a future in the broadcast industry. The competition is open to all Aboriginal Canadians under 29. Application deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Payment will be made directly toward tuition at the winner's post-secondary education institution.

Apply to: AYN c/o Nechi Institute  
Box 34007  
Kingsway PO  
Edmonton, AB T5G 3G4  
Web link: <http://www.muchmusic.com/mays/>

### **NAAF – National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation**

NAAF is a nationally registered charity with a mandate to provide financial support to First Nations, Inuit and Metis individuals who are pursuing education and professional development.

- **Aboriginal Health Careers Bursary & Scholarship Awards**

Students are eligible if they are pursuing accredited health studies leading to employment in the health professions and have demonstrated the potential for academic success. Fields of study include medicine, nursing, dentistry, biology, chemistry, physiotherapy, pharmacy, clinical psychology, laboratory research and technology and any other health field in which a study of the hard sciences is a pre-requisite.

Eligible programs of study include certificate programs, undergraduate, professional and graduate degree programs of at least two academic years at accredited Canadian colleges and universities, CEGEPs and technical institutes. Study outside of Canada is considered for support at graduate level.

- **Fine Arts Bursary Awards**

Eligible fields of study are all areas related to the visual, performing, media, graphic and literary arts.

Eligible programs of study include fine arts degree programs, advanced training and professional development. Internships are also eligible for funding assistance provided the student has received formal instruction in the internship field, prior to the internship itself.

- **Post-Secondary Education Awards Program**

To be eligible, students must be enrolled as a full-time student at the post-secondary level in a program of study that is a minimum of two academic years - at an accredited university, college or CEGEP and pursuing a certificate, diploma or a degree

Eligible fields of study include business, science, law, engineering, information technology, technical studies, education, social work and social sciences

The deadline for application is June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Apply to:                   The National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation  
PO Box 759  
2160 Fourth Line  
Ohsweken, ON                   N0A 1M)  
Tel: (416) 926-0775   Toll Free: 1-800-329-9780  
Fax: (416) 926-7554  
Toll Free: 1-800-329-9780  
E-mail: [faayinfo@ccab.com](mailto:faayinfo@ccab.com)  
Web link: <http://www.naaf.ca/>

### **Native American Students Financial Aid**

This page provides information about financial aid for Native American students. Some Canadian citizens are eligible. Please note: Native American students with at least 50% Indian blood who were born in Canada are eligible for Title IV federal student aid under the jurisdiction of the Jay Treaty of 1794, subsequent treaties, and US Immigration Law.

Web link: <http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/natamind.phtml>

### **New Relationship Trust (NRT) First Nations Scholarship Program**

Successful applicants will be eligible for a maximum of four consecutive years of undergraduate post-secondary funding, a maximum of two years at the Master's level and a maximum of two years at the Doctorate level. However, scholarships are awarded annually and students must reapply to the program for any subsequent years. See web site for further information.

The deadline for application is July 15<sup>th</sup>. Faxed applications are not accepted.

Apply to: New Relationship Trust  
Suite 1008 – 100 Park Royal  
West Vancouver, BC V7T 1A2  
Tel: (604) 925-3338 Fax: (604) 925-3348  
Web: [www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/pages/download/10\\_1577](http://www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/pages/download/10_1577)

### **NSERC**

The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) is encouraging Aboriginal participation in four different awards programs. These programs are open to all Inuit, Métis, Status and Non-Status First Nation people. The programs are as followed:

**The Undergraduate Student Research Awards (USRA)** programs offers qualified undergraduate students the opportunity to work on a challenging research project in a university or industrial environment for up to four months (minimum salary of \$5000 for 16 weeks). This is a great summer job opportunity for students registered in an honors bachelor's degree program in natural sciences or engineering.

**The Postgraduate Scholarships (PGS)** program provides financial assistance (\$17,300 to \$19,100 per year) for up to four years to students pursuing a master's or doctoral degree in the natural sciences or engineering.

**The Postdoctoral Fellowships (PDF)** program provides financial support (\$35000 per year) for up to two years to the most promising young researchers in the natural sciences and engineering.

**The University Faculty Awards (UFA)** program is open to women and Inuit, Métis, Status and Non-Status First Nation people who are being considered for university faculty positions in natural sciences and engineering. This program makes a substantial contribution, for up to five years, to the salary of each successful candidate nominated by a Canadian university. Application deadline is November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Apply to: Scholarships and Fellowships Division  
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research

350 Albert Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 1H5  
Tel: (613) 995-5521  
Web link: [http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/index\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/index_eng.asp)

### **Nuu-chah-nulth Post-Secondary Scholarships**

The Post Secondary Funding Program provides support for programs that lead to a Bachelor's, Master's or PhD in a recognized Public BC Institution.

The NTC provides tuition and living support for qualified members of the Nuu chah nulth First Nations. Post Secondary Education Staff use the Post Secondary Policy to administer this program, and it runs on a fiscal year basis. Every year, post secondary students are required to apply for education funds by filling out and returning a post secondary application to their First Nations office, or to the NTC by January 31st.

Contact: Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council  
Box 1383  
Port Alberni, BC V9Y 7M2  
Tel: (250) 724-5757 Fax: (250) 723-0463  
Web link: <http://www.nuuchahnulth.org/tribal-council/educ/index.html>

### **NUPGE - National Union of Public and General Employees Scholarship for Aboriginal Canadians**

This \$1000 scholarship is available to any Aboriginal Canadian student who plans to enter the first year of a Canadian public post secondary education institution full-time and who is the child of or foster child of a National Union of Public and General Employees member. The award will be given to the writer of the best 750-1000 word essay on: "The importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of Aboriginal Canadians." Application deadline for is June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Apply to: Scholarships - National Union of Public and General Employees  
15 Auriga Drive  
Nepean, ON K2E 1B7  
Tel: (613) 228-9800 Fax (613) 228-9801  
E-mail: [national@nupge.ca](mailto:national@nupge.ca)  
Web link: [http://www.nupge.ca/news\\_2008/n05no08a.htm](http://www.nupge.ca/news_2008/n05no08a.htm)

### **Royal Bank Aboriginal Student Awards**

Five Awards of up to \$4000 per year for up to four years at university or two years at college are available.

You are eligible if you are a Status Indian, Non-Status Indian, Inuit or Métis, and are a permanent resident/citizen of Canada who will be or already is attending a university or college listed in the

Directory of Canadian Universities. You must maintain a full course load leading to a recognized degree, certificate or diploma relevant to the banking industry (e.g. business; economics, computer science) and you show financial need. Application deadline is January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Apply to: Coordinator  
RBC FINANCIAL GROUP ABORIGINAL STUDENT AWARDS  
RBC Financial Group  
1 PVM, 10th Floor, West  
Montreal, PQ H3B 4S6  
Email: [aboriginalstudentawards@rbc.com](mailto:aboriginalstudentawards@rbc.com)  
Fax: (514) 874-5453  
Web link: [http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal\\_student\\_awards.html](http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html)

### **Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards Guide for Aboriginal Students**

The purpose of this guide is to provide Aboriginal students with a valuable tool to facilitate their pursuit of post-secondary studies. The guide includes more than 400 awards, totaling more than \$2 million. These awards are made available by various organizations and institutions.

You will find the detailed descriptions of the awards listed on the following web site.

Contact for information: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0H4  
Tel: 1-800-567-9604  
E-mail: [infopubs@ainc-inac.gov.ca](mailto:infopubs@ainc-inac.gov.ca)  
Web link: <http://sdiprod1.inac.gc.ca/abs/main.asp?lang=E>

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