

The Indigenous Careers Award is designed to encourage Indigenous Albertans (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) to pursue and complete post-secondary studies in certificate, diploma, applied degree, and bachelor's degree programs.

| Indigenous Ancestry and Residency Requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | How to Apply                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You must be Status Indian/First Nations, Non-Status Indian/First Nations, Métis, or Inuit and be able to provide proof of Indigenous ancestry.</li> <li>You must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada and an Alberta resident.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You must apply to the school you are attending.</li> <li>If you are a co-op student, a student in a brokered program, or participating in an official exchange, you must apply through the school that will issue your post-secondary credential.</li> </ul> |
| Eligible School Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Other Eligibility Criteria (if required)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <p>You must be attending a participating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public post-secondary school in Alberta, or</li> <li>First Nations College in Alberta</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Course Load and Study Requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You must be enrolled in the 2025-26 Fall and/or Winter term in order to be considered for this award. Students enrolled in both terms are eligible for \$2,000 per term for a total of \$4,000. Students enrolled in only the Fall or the Winter term are eligible for \$2,000. A term is defined as a study period of up to 17 weeks in length.</li> <li>You must be enrolled in at least 60% of a full course load.</li> <li>If you are a student with a documented permanent disability, you can be eligible if you are enrolled in at least 40% of a full course load.</li> <li>Your school determines what constitutes a full-time course load in each program.</li> <li>Co-op students, students in brokered programs, and students who are participating in an official exchange may be eligible.</li> <li>You must be in satisfactory academic standing as determined by your school - satisfactory academic standing may vary in how it is determined by school or program.</li> <li>You are not eligible to receive the award if you withdraw from studies or drop from full-time to part-time studies before the award is paid.</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Credential Types                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You must be enrolled in a certificate, diploma, applied or bachelor's degree program. Students enrolled in apprenticeship technical training, integrated training, pre-employment or non-credential programs are not eligible.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## POPA Collection Notice or Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) Notice

### Indigenous Ancestry

Please indicate your Indigenous Ancestry:

☐ Status Indian/First Nations ☐ Non-Status Indian/First Nations ☐ Métis ☐ Inuit

**Documentation Requirements:** If this is your first time applying for this award, you must provide proof of your Indigenous ancestry to your school to determine your eligibility. Acceptable documents of proof include:

- certificate of Indian Status, a status card or a valid band membership card
- letter from your band verifying your status
- membership card issued by a Métis organization the student is registered with (Métis organization must be a legal entity)
- a certified copy of a Nunavut Trust Certificate card or Inuit beneficiary card
- letter of support from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada or Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated
- letter of support from a First Nation, Métis or Inuit organization (must be a legal entity) confirming the applicant's aboriginal ancestry

Schools may use discretion and accept other documentation.

### Personal Information

Last Name (current legal name)

First Name (current legal name)

Middle Initial

Apartment or Box Number

Street Address (add direction, e.g. S, NW, SE, if applicable)

City/Town

Prov/State

Country

Postal/Zip Code




Mobile Number (format: 999-999-9999) to receive text messages

Telephone Number (format: 999-999-9999)

Email Address (mandatory)

Citizenship Status: (check one)

☐ Canadian ☐ Permanent Resident ☐ Protected Person

Social Insurance Number

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ X

Birthdate

| Day                  | Month                | Year                 |
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Are you an Alberta resident\*? ☐ Yes ☐ No

\*You are an Alberta resident if one of the following describes your situation:

- You maintained permanent residence in Alberta for a period of 12 months immediately prior to attending a post-secondary school, or
- Your parents or guardians have maintained permanent residence in Canada for 12 consecutive months and reside in Alberta, or
- Your spouse/partner is an Alberta resident, or
- You have been declared, or fall within a class of persons declared, to be a resident in Alberta by the Minister.

Alberta Student Number (mandatory)

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 Degree

☐ 1 year or less    ☐ 2 years    ☐ 3 years    ☐ 4 or 5 years

Day                      Month                      Year

Day                      Month                      Year

## Additional Questions

## Declaration of Applicant

- All information provided is true and complete and I understand it is subject to verification.
- I will immediately notify \_\_\_\_\_ if there are any changes to the information I have provided in this application.

- I authorize my post-secondary institution to disclose information collected on this application form, my program of study and any award details (if I am selected) to Alberta Student Aid, and I authorize Alberta Student Aid to collect this information from the post-secondary institution for the purposes of administering the Indigenous Careers Award under the *Student Financial Assistance Act*, including confirming my eligibility and suitability for this award, for program evaluation and for research and statistical analysis.

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