

Indigenous Careers Award Last revised June 2023

Indigenous Careers Award Value – \$4,000



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.

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Indigenous Ancestry and Residency Requirements	How to Apply
<ul> <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> <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)
<ul><li>You must be attending a participating:</li><li>public post-secondary school in Alberta, or</li><li>First Nations College in Alberta</li></ul>	
Course Load and Study Requirements	
• You must be enrolled in the 2023-24 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.	
• You must be enrolled in at least 60% of a full course load.	
<ul> <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> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Your school determines what constitutes a full-time course load in each program.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Co-op students, students in brokered programs, and students who are participating in an official exchange may be eligible.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <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> </ul>	
• 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.	
Credential Types	
<ul> <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>	



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FOIP 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	
<ul> <li>Documentation Requirements: If this is your first time applying for ancestry to your school to determine your eligibility. Acceptable docume</li> <li>certificate of Indian Status, a status card or a valid band membershi</li> <li>letter from your band verifying your status</li> </ul>	ents of proof include:	
<ul> <li>membership card issued by a Métis organization the student is regis</li> </ul>	stered with (Métis organization must be a legal entity)	
a certified copy of a Nunavut Trust Certificate card or Inuit benefician	-	
<ul> <li>letter of support from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada or Nu</li> <li>letter of support from a First Nation, Métis or Inuit organization (mus)</li> </ul>		
Schools may use discretion and accept other documentation.		
Personal Information		
Last Name (current legal name)	Social Insurance Number	
First Name (current legal name) Middle Initial		
	Gender: 🔲 Male 🔲 Female 🛄 X	
Apartment or Box Number	Birthdate Day Month Year	
Street Address (add direction, e.g. S, NW, SE, if applicable)	Are vou an Alberta resident*?	
	*You are an Alberta resident if one of the following describes your situation:	
	<ul> <li>You maintained permanent residence in Alberta for a period of 12 months immediately prior to attending</li> </ul>	
Prov/State Country Postal/Zip Code	a post-secondary school, or	
	<ul> <li>Your parents or guardians have maintained permanent residence in Canada for 12 consecutive months and</li> </ul>	
Mobile Number (format: 999-999-9999) to receive text messages	reside in Alberta, or	
	<ul> <li>Your spouse/partner is an Alberta resident, or</li> <li>You have been declared, or fall within a class of persons</li> </ul>	
Telephone Number (format: 999-999-9999)	declared, to be a resident in Alberta by the Minister.	
	Alberta Student Number (mandatory)	
Email Address (mandatory)		
Citizenship Status: (check one)		

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Full-time Studies Information
Name of School
Program
Program Specialization/Major
Program Outcome/Credential What year of this program will you be in? (check one)
Certificate Ist year or less I 2nd year I 3rd year 4th or 5th year
Diploma Length of your program of studies (check one)
Degree 1 year or less 2 years 3 years 4 or 5 years
Enter your program session start and end dates for the current school year.
Start End
Day Month Year Day Month Year
Additional Questions
<ul> <li>Declaration of Applicant</li> <li>I have read and understand the instructions, and declare that:</li> <li>All information provided is true and complete and I understand it is subject to verification.</li> <li>I will immediately notify if there are any changes to the information I have provided in this application.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>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 <i>Student Financial Assistance Act</i>, including confirming my eligibility and suitability for this award, for program evaluation and for research and statistical analysis.</li> </ul>
Signature of Applicant (in ink) Today's Date (in ink)
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