

Scholarships

Scholarships awarded through Montana State University

[Montana American Indian Tuition Waiver](#): The Montana Tuition waiver is available to eligible Montana resident freshman and transfer students. Students must be a resident of Montana, 1/4 American Indian or be an enrolled member of a state or federally recognized tribe located in the state of Montana (proof of enrollment or affiliation is required), and demonstrate financial need through FAFSA.

[Tribal Homelands Scholarship](#): The Tribal Homeland Scholarship is open to eligible non-resident Native American new freshmen and transfer students who are interested in attending MSU and whose tribal affiliation once called the Montana area their "Homelands." Students must file FAFSA and have documentation of tribal affiliation or enrollment submitted to the MSU Office of Financial Aid. A pre-determined list of eligible tribes is available on the attached link.

[McNair Scholars Program](#): This program is a student support program assisting qualified students in their quest to obtain a graduate degree, primarily the PhD degree. Once a student is accepted into the program they are eligible for monetary awards given as stipends for student research, are able to travel to conferences and graduate school visits, are required to participate in the GRE workshop and are eligible to receive information as to how to apply and be accepted to graduate school. Scholarships available for underrepresented minority students, low income and first generation college students. Students must be a full time undergraduate student at MSU with a 2.75 GPA (preferably 3.0 GPA) and have completed 60 credits before beginning the summer research/project. Must be a citizen or permanent resident of the USA. Deadline: October 18th.

[Pramila K. Tummala Memorial Scholarship](#): The Pramila K. Tummala Memorial Scholarship is available at MSU to incoming freshman or transfer students. Tribal enrollment or CIB (Certificate of Indian Blood), official college or high school transcript, good academic standing, personal essay (not to exceed 4 pages), and two letters of recommendation are required to apply. Amount awarded: \$1,000. Deadline: August 1st.

[Hedwig Arlen Memorial Scholarship](#): The Hedwig Arlen Memorial Scholarship is available to incoming Native American freshman or transfer students who have declared one of the programs in the College of Arts and Architecture as their major. Deadline: June 16, 2014

Submit applications to:

Erica Dungan, Assistant Dean
College of Arts and Architecture
217 Cheever Hall
Bozeman, MT 59717

For more information: Contact jpalin@montana.edu or [Hedwig Arlen Memorial Scholarship 2016-17 \(PDF\)](#)

[Bobby Wright Memorial Scholarship](#): The Bobby Wright Memorial Scholarship is available at MSU to incoming freshman or transfer students. Tribal enrollment or CIB (Certificate of Indian Blood), official college or high school transcript, personal essay (not to exceed 4 pages), and two letters of recommendation (one must be from a teacher, school administrator or counselor) are required to apply. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: August 1st.

Submit application to:

NAS Scholarship Committee
Department of Native American Studies
Wilson Hall Room 2-179
PO Box 172340
Bozeman, MT 59717

[President's Native American Excellence for American Indian Students](#): Available to student's working towards a Master's degree in Native American Studies at MSU. Transcripts from all previous institutions, three letters of recommendation, a statement of purpose, CV/resume, two academic writing samples and Tribal enrollment or CIB (Certificate of Indian Blood) are required. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: August 1st.

Submit application to:

NAS Scholarship Committee
Department of Native American Studies
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PO Box 172340
Bozeman, MT 59717

[FAFSA](#): The Free Application for Federal Student Aid gives grants, loans, and work-study money for students with financial need. Fill this form out after January 1, but before March 1 of the year you are to begin attending Montana State University

[EMPower](#): The College of Engineering, through the Engineering Minority Program (EMPower) offers scholarships for incoming freshman Native students. Be sure to sure send in the application before the February 1 deadline.

[Academic Scholarships](#): (for new MSU Students) Montana State University offers millions of dollars in scholarships for Resident and Non-Resident students.

[MSU Office of Financial Aid](#): The Office of Financial Aid assists students with their need based awards, FAFSA and other financial aid questions.

[Alice Willman Cassidy Endowment](#): The Dean of the College will allocate available spendable income for one or more of the following purposes listed in the order of priority:

- 1) Scholarships for Native American nursing students with preference to those students participating in the CO-OP Program
- 2) To provide monthly stipends to Native American nursing students in the CO-OP Program
- 3) Scholarships for financially needy Native American nursing students who are not participating in the COOP Program

[Robert Raskind Nursing Scholarship](#): American Indian student enrolled in the graduate nursing program. Preference for candidates with demonstrated commitment to & involvement in the American Indian community within Montana. Graduates of St. Labre School will be given preference over equally qualified applicants. The scholarship is intended to cover a recipient's full period of graduate study leading to a Masters Degree in Nursing. Provided the recipient maintains satisfactory progress, the award is renewable for full time study toward completion of the degree. If there are no qualified candidates, then the College of Nursing may

award/use fund's resources to provide undergraduate scholarships for Native American students, or graduate nursing scholarships.

The Scholarship is intended to foster advanced practice nursing education for American Indians who are committed to improving the health of Indians and to serve as role models and advocates for the American Indian Community.

Scholarships awarded through outside entities

[Horatio Alger Montana Scholarship Program:](#) The Horatio Alger Montana Scholarship program is funded through the generosity of the Dennis and Phyllis Washington Foundation. To be eligible students must be enrolled full time as a high school senior, exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree, are involved in co-curricular and community service activities, exhibit financial need, maintain a GPA of 2.0, and is a resident of Montana. Amount awarded: 50 \$6,000 scholarship. Deadline: April 15th

Submit application to:

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, INC.
99 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 320
Alexandria, VA 22314

[American Indian Education Foundation:](#) Scholarships available to Native American or Alaskan Native full-time students (student or parent must be enrolled and have documentation) who are attending an accredited 2 or 4 year college and have a GPA between 2.0 and 3.4 (all future undergraduates are encouraged to apply). An ACT score of 14 or above is desirable. Scholarships are available for undergraduate studies only and are only applicable for tuition and books. Amount: \$2,000 per year. Deadline: Postmarked by April 4th.

Submit application to:

American Indian Education Foundation
2401 Eglin Street
Rapid City, SD 57703

[Bureau of Indian Education Higher Education Grant Program:](#) *Please check with your Tribal Education Officer before applying separate from the Tribal Education Department.* Must be a member of, or at least ¼ degree Indian blood descendant of an American Indian tribe, is accepted into a nationally accredited institution of higher education which provides a course of study conferring the associate of arts or bachelor's degree and demonstrates financial need.

Submit application to your Tribal Higher Education Department or the Bureau of Indian Education

[American Indian College Fund:](#) *Offers various undergraduate Tribal College and University scholarships.* To be eligible the student must be an enrolled tribal member or descendant of a federal or state recognized tribe (parent or grandparent tribally enrolled) and be enrolling full-time in a tribal college, tribal university, or a non-tribal college. Minimum 2.0 GPA or higher and other criteria required based on specific scholarship parameters. Amount awarded: Varies based on scholarship. Deadline: Apply online starting Jan. 1st, due May 31st.

*Must get username and ID to apply online and upload documents.

Submit application to:
Tribal Scholarship Program
8333 Greenwood Blvd
Denver, CO 80221

[American Indian Graduate Center/Undergraduate Scholarships:](#) *Offer through Accenture Scholars.* Student must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe, be enrolling full-time, and be seeking a degree and career in fields of study including; various engineering, computer science, operations management, management, finance, marketing, and other business orientated fields. Leadership, commitment to American Indian community, and extra-curricular are strongly considered. Amount awarded: TBD (Summer Internships Available). Deadline: Application available online in January, due April 12th.

Submit application to:
American Indian Graduate Center
3701 San Mateo NE
#200
Albuquerque, NM 87110

[Association of American Indian Affairs:](#) *Elizabeth and Sherman Asche Memorial (health and science areas), Adolph Van Pelt, Allogan Slagle Memorial Scholarship (non-enrolled members considered), David Risling Emergency Aid Scholarship, Displaced Homemaker Scholarship.* Merit based and need based scholarships available. Must be an enrolled member of federally recognized tribe with $\frac{1}{4}$ or more blood quantum (with the exception of the Slagle Memorial Scholarship) and be enrolling as a full time student in a 2-year community or 4-year college (NOT technical, trade seminary). Application must include: CIB (Certificate of Indian Blood) and student essay. Please visit website for specific criteria for each scholarship. Amount awarded: \$1500/ must reapply annually. Deadline: Application available end of February.

Submit application to:
Lisa Wyzlic
Director of Scholarship Programs
Assoc. on Am. Ind. Affairs
966 Hungerford Dr.
Suite 12B
Rockville, MD 20850

[Catching the Dream:](#) *MESBEC Program (math, engineering, science, business, education and computers), Tribal Business Program (business, finance, management, economics, banking, hotel management and related fields in tribal economic development).* Applicant must be $\frac{1}{4}$ or more American Indian and enrolled in a federally recognized, state or terminated tribe. To be competitive students should have an excellent GPA, high ACT or SAT, have work experience, demonstrate leadership and commitment to their Indian Community. Must enroll as a full time student intending to complete a Bachelor degree or higher. Students required to apply to a minimum of 40 other scholarships to be considered. Amount awarded: \$500-\$5,000. Deadline: March 15th for Summer, April 15th for Fall, September 15th for Spring.

Submit application to:
Catching the Dream
Attn: Scholarship Affairs Office
8200 Mountain Road NE

Suite 203
Albuquerque, NM 87110

[Daughters of the American Revolution's](#): DAR American Indian Scholarships. Applicant must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe or have a parent who is enrolled and be entering a 2-year, 4-year college or graduate school (undergraduate students given preference). Criteria for scholarship include: financial need and GPA of 3.25 or higher. Amount awarded: \$1,000 onetime award. Deadline: Feb. 15th.

Submit application to:
National Chairman
DAR American Indian Committee
PO Box 78
Ashby, NE 69333

[Daughters of the American Revolution's](#): Francis Crawford Marvin American Indian Scholarship. Applicant must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe or have a parent who is enrolled and be entering a 2-year, 4-year college or graduate school (undergraduate students given preference). Criteria for scholarship include: financial need and GPA of 3.25 or higher. Amount awarded: Varies based scholarship, must reapply annually. Deadline: Feb. 15th.

Submit application to:
National Chairman
DAR American Indian Committee
PO Box 78
Ashby, NE 69333

[Gates Millennium Scholars](#): Applicant must be an enrolled tribal member or descendant who will be enrolling as a full time degree seeking student. To be eligible a student must have a 3.3 GPA (unweighted), be Federal Pell Grant eligible, exhibit leadership skills, participation in community service, and extracurricular activities. Amount awarded: Money awarded= unmet need. Deadline: Jan. 16th.

*Graduate funding for continuing scholars in science, education, engineering, library science, math, public health, or science.

Submit application to:
Gates Millennium Scholarship
PO Box 1434
Alexandria, VA 22313

[Indian Health Services Health Professionals Programs](#): Applicants for the Health Professions Scholarship must be enrolled in a federally recognized tribe. There is a service obligation upon completion. Applicants for the Preparatory and Pre-Graduate Scholarship can be enrolled in a federally or state recognized tribe or be a 1st or 2nd degree descendant of a tribal member. Other scholarship criteria include a 2.0 GPA and intent to serve Indian people as a health professional. Amount awarded: Scholarship= tuition and required fees (plus living expenses for Health Professions Scholarship recipients). Deadline: March 28th for new applicants.

[International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons](#): To be eligible applicant must be tribally enrolled and enrolling in a 2-year or 4-year college. Amount awarded: \$650. Deadline: March 1st.

Submit application to:

IOKDS
North American Indian Dept. Director
PO Box 1040
Chautagua, NY 14722-1040

*Requests that applications by mail and include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

[National Society of Professional Engineers Educational Foundation](#): *Maureen and Howard Blitman Scholarship to promote diversity in engineering.* Applicant must be an enrolled tribal member or descendant (or Hispanic or African American) and be accepted into an ABET-Accredited Board of Engineering and Technology program at a 4-year college. GPA, ACT scores, community involvement, awards and letters of recommendation will be considered in selection. Amount awarded: \$5,000. Deadline: March 1st.

Submit application to:

NSPE Education Foundation
Blitman, P.E. Scholarship to Promote Diversity in Engineering
1420 King St.
Alexandria, VA 22314-2794

[Native American Finance Officers Association \(NAFOA\)](#): This scholarship is for college freshman and beyond who are an enrolled member of a state or federally recognized tribe or descendant, Alaskan Native or Native Hawaiian. Applicant must be a declared major in a financial area (accounting, business administration, economics, or finance) with a 3.0 GPA. Amount awarded: \$1,000 for undergrads, \$500 for Tribal College. Deadline: Application available in spring with deadline in summer.

Submit application to:

Native American Finance Officers Association
1101 30th St NW
Suite 500
Washington, DC 20007

[Native American Journalists Association \(NAJA\)](#): Applicant must be enrolled in a state or federally recognized tribe or descendant who intends to pursue a career in journalism (radio, television, or newspaper). Needs to be a member of NAJA (membership due= \$20 for college students). Membership due by March 1st. Amount awarded: \$500-\$2,500. Deadline: March 15th.

Submit application to:

NAJA Scholarships
OU Gaylord School of Journalism
395 W. Lindsey
Norman, OK 73019-4201

[Society for American Archaeology](#): *Arthur C. Parker Scholarship or NSF Scholarship for Archaeological Training. Other Funding available for college or graduate students.* Proof of enrollment or lineage in a US or Canadian Tribe, Native Hawaiian or Indigenous Pacific Islander is required and the student's major must be in an archaeological field to be considered. Amount awarded: Up to \$4,000. Deadline: Dec. 15th.

Submit application to:

Society for American Archaeology
900 Second St. NE #12
Washington, DC 20002-3560

[Truman D. Picard](#): Applicant must be an enrolled member in a federally recognized tribe or Alaskan Native Corporation who is intending to pursue a degree in Natural Resources. Academic merit and financial need are considered in selection. No application form, student's must submit a letter of application, resume, three letters of reference, transcripts, and tribal enrollment information. Amount awarded: \$1,500. Deadline: Jan. 18th.

Submit application to:

Intertribal Timer Council
1112 NE 21st Ave Suite 4
Portland, OR 97232-2114

[American Association of Law Libraries Scholarship](#): Criteria for this scholarship include; a letter from the Admissions Officer of the law school and/or the library school stating the program for which the applicant has been accepted and the date the courses begin, three letters of recommendation, and a personal statement in which the applicant discusses their interest in law librarianship, reason(s) for applying for the scholarship, career goals as a law librarian, and any other pertinent information that the scholarship committee should know. A current resume should also be included to complete the application. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: April 1st.

Submit application to:

Chair, Scholarships Committee
American Association of Law Libraries
105 W Adams Street, Suite 3300
Chicago, IL 60603

[Surety Industry Scholarship Program of Minority Students](#): Applicant must be declared insurance/risk management, accounting, or business/finance and to encourage their consideration of the surety industry and surety underwriting as a career choice. Applicant must maintain a 3.0 GPA and submit official transcripts, a completed and signed financial aid worksheet from a Financial Aid Officer, letters of recommendation, essay, and a listing of honors, awards, and extracurricular activities. Amount awarded: \$5,000. Deadline: Jan. 15th.

Submit application to:

Surety and Fidelity Industry Intern and Scholarship Program
The Surety Foundation
1101 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20036

[RTNDA Ed Bradley Broadcast Journalism Scholarship](#): Applicants must be officially enrolled in college and have at least one full academic year remaining. Must be a fully enrolled college sophomore or higher to receive scholarship. Applicants must apply for only one scholarship. Student may be enrolled in any major so long as their intent is a career in electronic journalism. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: Postmarked May 31st.

[ESA Foundation Computer & Video Game Scholarship](#): This scholarship is available to women or minority students pursuing degrees leading to careers in computer and video game arts (high school seniors must

already be accepted into a program). Enrolling or enrolled in a full time undergraduate course of study at an accredited four-year college or university in the United States and maintain a grade point average of 2.75 or above on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent). Applicants must be a U.S. citizen to qualify. Amount awarded: \$1,000. Deadline: May 15th.

[Notah Begay III Scholarship Program](#): Available to Native American scholar-athletes with a minimum of 3.0 GPA who are attending a community college, 4-year non-profit or public educational institute full time. Should include a personal statement of how the student plans to give back to their community. Copy of FAFSA, tribal enrollment or CIB proof, one reference from current academic teacher or counselor and one reference from an athletic coach is required. Amount awarded: \$1,500. Deadline: March 6th.

Submit application to:

Albuquerque Community Foundation
PO Box 25266
Albuquerque, NM 87125-5266

[The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America](#): Applicant must be $\frac{1}{4}$ American Indian, or prove ancestry, a high school graduate/GED recipient, enrolled in an accredited school, enrolled in a nursing program, good scholastic standing in pre-nursing, and is expected to graduate two years after enrollment with Associate Degree program or expected to graduate in 4 years if pursuing a bachelors. Student must be in need of financial assistance and not a recipient of the Indian Health Service Scholarship. Amount awarded: \$1,000. Deadline: June 1st.

Submit application to: Mrs. Alexander C. McLeod

203 Evelyn Avenue
Nashville, TN 37205-3307

[The Actuarial Diversity Scholarship](#): Each applicant must have at least one birth parent who is a member of one of the following minority groups: Black/African American, Hispanic, Native American Indian. Applicants must also have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), emphasis on math or actuarial courses. High school seniors must have a minimum ACT math score of 28 or SAT math score of 600. Students must have intent on pursuing a career in the actuarial profession. Applicants must fulfill all the requirements. Amount awarded: \$2,000+. Deadline: May 3rd.

Submit application to:

The Actuarial Foundation
475 N Martingale Road, Suite 600
Schaumburg, IL 60173-2226

[AICPA Minority Accounting Students Scholarships](#): Applicant must be a member of an underrepresented minority group and be enrolled full time as an undergraduate or graduate student pursuing an accounting related major and planning to pursue the CPA licensure but not presently be a CPA. At least 20 hours of college coursework must be completed to be eligible. The business program must be accredited by the AACSB and/or ACBSP. Student must maintain GPA of at least 3.0, an AICPA student affiliate member, US citizen, and demonstrate some financial need. Amount awarded: Up to \$5,000. Deadline: April 1st.

[APS Scholarship for Minorities](#): Applicant must be Native American and a US Citizen who plans on majoring in physics. High school senior, college freshman or sophomores are eligible to apply. Must create APS account

and apply online and fill out all five parts of the online application and have all required documentation sent in. Amount awarded: \$2,000 for new, \$3,000 for renewal. Deadline: Feb. 7th.

Submit application to:

Arlene Modeste Knowles
Minority Scholarship Application Materials
American Physical Society
One Physics Ellipse
College Park, MD 20740-3844

[AMS/Industry Minority Scholarship](#): Available to minority students who will be entering their freshman year of college and who plan to pursue careers in atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic sciences. Amount award: \$3,000 for two years. Deadline: Feb. 7th.

[APSA Minority Fellows Program](#): Applicants must be members of one of the following racial/ethnic minority groups: African Americans, Asian Pacific Americans, Latinos/as, and/or Native Americans (federal and state recognized tribes). Applicants must be college/university seniors, college/university graduates, or students currently enrolled in a Master's Program applying for doctoral study at another political science program/institution. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in teaching and potential for research in political science. Amount awarded: \$4,000. Deadline: Notified in late November.

Submit application to:

Shaunda Ragland
sragland@apsanet.org

[ACS Scholars Program](#): Applicants must be American Indian or of minority background and a full time student at an accredited college, university, or community college. Other criteria include; high academic achievement in chemistry or science (GPA of 3.0 or better), able to demonstrate financial need according to FAFSA form and Student Aid Report (SAR), and intended major in chemistry, biochemistry, or chemical related field. Amount awarded: \$2,500 Freshman, \$3,000 Sophomores, \$5,000 Juniors & Seniors. Deadline: Application cycle Nov 1st-March 1st.

Submit application to:

ACS Scholars Program

[The American Water Works Association](#): *Please see website as there are many subcategories for this scholarship.* Students must submit the official application form, two page resume, official transcripts, three letters of reference, proposed curriculum of study, one page education plans and career objectives, and a three page plan of proposed research or study. Amount awarded: Varies based on scholarship. Deadline: Jan. 6th.

Submit application to:

AWWA Scholarship Criteria
6666 W Quincy Avenue
Denver, CO 80235

Minorities in Hospitality Scholars Program: Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited college or university with major in the hospitality field. Student must have sophomore, junior, or senior college class standing for period of scholarship and be part of a minority group (American Indian is included). Student must submit

application form, official academic transcript, and prepare a short, typed essay. Amount awarded: \$2,000. Deadline: Jan. 31st.

Submit application to:

Miriam L. Brewer
Director of Education and Diversity
IFA Educational Foundation
1501 K St NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005

[La Grant Foundation Scholarship](#): Student must be member of ethnic group (includes American Indian) and a full time student at a four year, accredited institution, carrying a total of 12 credits or more. Must have a minimum of 2.75 GPA, major in a field of study on public relations, marketing, or advertising, and complete all application checklist to apply. Amount award: \$2,500. Deadline: Feb. 28th.

Submit application to:

The LAGRANT Foundation
600 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 1520
Los Angeles, CA 90017

[Presbyterian Church- USA Student Opportunity Scholarship](#): Applicant must be a member of the Presbyterian Church, completed their second year in college, be an enrolled full-time student in good academic standing (2.5 GPA), seeking a bachelor degree and demonstrate financial need. Amount awarded: \$2,000. Deadline: April 1st.

Submit application to:

Laura Bryan
100 Witherspoon Street
Louisville, KY 40202

[Chips Quinn Scholars](#): *Internships* Scholars are accepted into the program by nomination from journalism faculty and campus advisers, editors of newspaper or leaders of minority journalism association. Applicant must be a college junior, senior, or graduate with a journalism major or career goal in newspapers to be eligible. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: Oct. 15th.

Submit application to:

Karen Catone
Chips Quinn Scholars Program
Freedom Forum
555 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20001

[Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship](#): Applicant must be a full time student enrolled in a four-year institution with a B average or better who will receive a B.S., M.S., or PhD in technical science or an engineering discipline upon graduation. Student must be a member of a minority group (including Native American) and demonstrate financial need. Amount awards: \$1,000-\$10,000. Deadline: Sept. 30th.

Submit application to:

Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship Program

150 State Street, 4th Floor
Rochester, NY 14614

[Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Award](#): Student must be nominated using nomination form. Applicant must be part of a minority group and needs to submit proof of acceptance/attendance in an undergraduate or graduate program at a four-year college, demonstrate financial aid, proof of academic achievement and a short essay. Amount awarded: TBD. Deadline: June 1st.

Submit application to:

Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Award Committee
206 N. Washington St, Suite 200
Alexandria, VA 22314

[Albert W. Dent Graduate Student Scholarship](#): Applicants must be a minority student enrolled in their final year of full time study in a healthcare management graduate program- MHA, MPH, MBA in healthcare administration or similar. Student must also demonstrate financial need and not be a previous recipient of this scholarship. Amount awarded: Up to \$5,000. Deadline: March 31st.

Submit application to:

American College of Healthcare Executives
One North Franklin Street, Suite 1700
Chicago, IL 60606-3529