

# **First Nation Student Educational Opportunities: Scholarships, Resources & Support**



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## **Introduction**

Welcome to the First Nation Student Education Opportunities: Scholarships, Resources and Support, a guide to help students in search of resources to assist them during their post-secondary education.

This document was created during the summer of 2017. The information provided in this document consists of scholarships, bursaries, post-secondary institution, resources and employment information.

On behalf of the Department of Education's Office of First Nation Education, we hope you find this document helpful and we wish you all the best through your educational journey.

## **Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students Graduating High School (6)**

### **1. UNBI Pipeline Scholarship**

Value: \$500

Deadline: July 10<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to any qualifying high school student from the Maliseet and Mi'kmaq registered UNBI (Union of New Brunswick Indians) communities (Eel River Bar, Eel Ground, St. Mary's, Kingsclear, Oromocto, Woodstock, Madawaska, Pabineau, Metepenagiag, Buctouche, Indian Island and Fort Folly).

For more information please contact:

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Phone: (506) 261-1343 Email: [ssbear@spectraenergy.com](mailto:ssbear@spectraenergy.com)

### **2. Indspire – Petro-Canada Award for Indigenous Students**

Value: \$500

Deadline: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 (Closed), awarded annually

Eligibility: Must be an Indigenous person enrolled in an accredited Education program.

For more information:

Please email [education@indspire.ca](mailto:education@indspire.ca) or call 1.855.INDSPIRE (463.7747).

### **3. Mawiw Student Award 2017**

Value: \$500

Deadline: July 21<sup>st</sup> 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to any qualifying Indigenous student who is graduating in any given application year. Must be apart of the Mawiw Council Inc. communities (Tobique First Nation, Elsipogtog, and Esgenoopetitj).

For more information please contact:

Phone: (506) 455-2323  
Email: [mnpscholarship@arcgroup.ca](mailto:mnpscholarship@arcgroup.ca)  
Website: [www.arcgroup.ca](http://www.arcgroup.ca)

#### **4. The 12th PotashCorp Aboriginal Youth Financial Management Awards**

Value: \$15,000 in scholarships awarded

Deadline: June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Eligibility: Open to Canadian Indigenous youth in Grades 11 and 12. Must be interested in pursuing an education after high school in the field of financial management.

For More Information:

Call us: 1-866-722-2362 or

Email us: [youthawards@afoa.ca](mailto:youthawards@afoa.ca) or

Visit us: [www.afoa.ca](http://www.afoa.ca)

#### **5. CINUP Scholarship Program**

Value: (5) \$1000 awards available

Deadline: May 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Graduating Indigenous Canadian student going into full-time study at a post-secondary institution. Must submit 750 word essay and have at least 75% average.

For More Information:

E-mail: [eebenefits@cinup.com](mailto:eebenefits@cinup.com)

Fax: 1-877-786-3889

#### **6. Urban Spirit Foundation Scholarship**

Value: (2) \$1000 awarded

Deadline: April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Eligibility: Must come from Indigenous ancestry and demonstrate financial need. Must meet minimum academic requirements to be accepted into a post-secondary institution.

For More Information:

Website :

[https://www.surreyschools.ca/departments/BDEV/Community\\_Information/postsecondary](https://www.surreyschools.ca/departments/BDEV/Community_Information/postsecondary)

[yscholarships/Documents/Urban%20Spirit%20Foundation%20Scholarship%20Applicati  
on%202016-2017.pdf](https://www.afoa.ca/scholarships/Documents/Urban%20Spirit%20Foundation%20Scholarship%20Application%202016-2017.pdf)

## **Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students Attending New Brunswick Post-Secondary (4)**

### **1. JEDI/Brun-way Bursary**

Value: (9) \$1000 bursary scholarships

Deadline: July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Eligibility: Awarded to Indigenous students who are members of the AFOA (Aboriginal Financial Officers Association) and non-members. Awarded to students in Business Administration, Business Management, Accounting, Commerce and/or Finance related programs.

For more information:

Call 1-866-722-2362 or email at [pr@afoa.ca](mailto:pr@afoa.ca)

### **2. Graydon Nicholas Aboriginal Scholarship in Engineering**

Value: \$3000, renewable for up to 5 years

Deadline: September 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: For Canadian Indigenous students studying engineering at UNBF, UNBSJ or Université de Moncton

For More Information:

Email: [rachael@apegnb.com](mailto:rachael@apegnb.com)

Fax: 506-451-9629

### **3. UNBI Pipeline Scholarship**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: July 10<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Maliseet/Mi'kmaq students registered to Union of New Brunswick Indian (UNBI) communities in New Brunswick (Eel River Bar, Eel Ground, St. Mary's,

Kingsclear, Oromocto, Woodstock, Madawaska, Pabineau, Metepenagiag, Buctouche, Indian Island and Fort Folly). Full-time students enrolled in the academic year.

For More Information Contact:

Union of New Brunswick Indians, Inc.

Training Institute

75 Melissa Street – Fredericton, NB E3A 6V9

Tel: 506-458-9444 Fax: 506-458-2850

#### **4. Mawiw Student Award 2017**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: July 31<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to students accepted or enrolled in full-time study in a Post-Secondary institute. Note: Available only to community members of Mawiw Council Inc. in New Brunswick (Tobique First Nation, Elsipogtog, and Esgenoopetitj).

For More Information:

Phone: (506) 455-2323

Email: [mnpscholarship@arcgroup.ca](mailto:mnpscholarship@arcgroup.ca)

Website: [www.arcgroup.ca](http://www.arcgroup.ca)



## **Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students Attending Nova Scotia Post-Secondary (8)**

### **1. ATV/CTV Media Scholarship**

Value: \$4000

Deadline: Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to African-Canadian and Indigenous students who are attending University of King's College in their 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year of journalism.

For More Information Contact:

Catherine Read

Information and Awards Coordinator , Registrar's Office

catherine.read@ukings.ca | 902 422-1271 ext. 193

### **2. Donald Marshall Sr. Scholarship Fund**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017, deadline, awarded annually

Eligibility: Applies to all fields of study. To provide support to Mi'kmaq students in their field of study.

For More Information:

Phone: (902) 567-0336

Fax: (902) 567-0337

E-mail: [claire@kinu.ns.ca](mailto:claire@kinu.ns.ca)

Website: [www.kinu.ns.ca](http://www.kinu.ns.ca)

### **3. Dr. Carrie Best Scholarship**

Value: \$5000 a year and renewable for up to four years

Deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Provided to African-Canadian or Canadian Indigenous students attending University of King's College in their 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year of journalism

For More Information Contact:

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#### **4. Evelyn Negus Scholarship in Nursing**

Value: \$1000 each year for four years

Deadline: March 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to students accepted into Dalhousie Bachelor of Science – Nursing. Preference given to Mi'kmaq students.

For More Information:

Contact the Awards Office - Monday to Friday - 9am to 4pm

Email: [awards@dal.ca](mailto:awards@dal.ca)

Phone: (902) 494-2450

Toll Free: 1 (866) 729-4400

#### **5. James A. Martin Award**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: January 19<sup>th</sup> 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Full-time Canadian First Nations student who has worked for peace and the welfare of his or her neighbours and has excelled academically. For students attending St. Francis Xavier University in all fields of study.

For More Information:

Email [scholarships@stfx.ca](mailto:scholarships@stfx.ca)

#### **6. Nova Scotia Power Employment Equity Scholarship**

Value: \$1500

Deadline: March 31<sup>st</sup> 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to all fields of study. Available for students who are disabled, a visible minority, or Indigenous.

For More Information:

<http://www.nspower.ca/en/home/community/scholarships/nova-scotia-power-employment-equity-scholarship.aspx>

### **7. Nova Scotia Black and First Nations Graduate Entrance Scholarships**

Value: \$15 000

Deadline: May 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Preference given to Nova Scotia Black or First Nation students entering a graduate program

For More Information:

Contact the Awards Office - Monday to Friday - 9am to 4pm

Email: [awards@dal.ca](mailto:awards@dal.ca)

Phone: (902) 494-2450

Toll Free: 1 (866) 729-4400

### **8. Mi'kmaq Scholarship**

Value: \$1500 entrance scholarship

Deadline: April 28, 2017, Awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to Mi'kmaq or Aboriginal People of Nova Scotia. Must be graduating from high school. Must be a permanent resident of Nova Scotia for at least three years.

For More Information:

Visit the website: <http://www.nspower.ca/en/home/community/scholarships/mikmaq-scholarship.aspx>

## **Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students Attending Prince Edward Island Post-Secondary (3)**

### **1. J. Elmer & Elise Hynes Aboriginal Student Achievement Award**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: October 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to all fields of study at Univeristy of Prince Edward Island. Awarded to an Indigenous student in their full-time undergraduate studies or first year full-time student.

For More Information:

Email: [scholarships@upei.ca](mailto:scholarships@upei.ca)

Phone: (902) 620-5187

### **2. John J. Sark Memorial Scholarship**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to an Indigenous student enrolled at University of Prince Edward Island entering full-time undergraduate studies.

For More Information:

Email: [scholarships@upei.ca](mailto:scholarships@upei.ca)

Phone: (902) 620-5187

### **3. Native Council of Prince Edward Island – Empowerment Scholarships (2)**

*Student Award*

Value: \$1000

Deadline: November 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to full-time students in a recognized post-secondary institution. An Indigenous student going to school, living off reserve, and under the age of 29 years at the start of the school year.

*Member Award*

Value: \$1000

Deadline: November 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to full-time students in a recognized post-secondary institution. An Indigenous student going to school, living off reserve and under the age of 29 years at the start of the school year. Must be a member or child of a member of the Native Council of Prince Edward Island.

For More Information:

Email: [assets@ncpei.com](mailto:assets@ncpei.com)

## **Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students Attending Newfoundland & Labrador Post-Secondary (3)**

### **1. Moving Forward Together Campaign**

Value: \$1800

Deadline: Fall each year

Eligibility: For Canadian Indigenous students beyond their first year at Memorial University

For More Information:

Phone: (709) 637-6298

Email: [info@grenfell.mun.ca](mailto:info@grenfell.mun.ca)

### **2. Faculty of Business Administration Aboriginal Scholarship**

Value: \$500

Deadline: December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to an Indigenous resident of Newfoundland and Labrador in the Faculty of Business Administration. Must be enrolled full-time at Memorial University.

For More Information:

Phone: (709) 637-6298

Email: [info@grenfell.mun.ca](mailto:info@grenfell.mun.ca)

### **3. Quebec-Labrador Foundation Scholarships**

Value: (3) \$500

Deadline: Fall each year

Eligibility: Awarded to Canadian Indigenous students who are attending a full-time undergraduate study at Memorial University. Priority given to Newfoundland First Nations studying Indigenous culture.

For More Information:

Phone: (709) 637-6298

Email: [info@grenfell.mun.ca](mailto:info@grenfell.mun.ca)

## **Scholarships Available to most Indigenous Students in Canada (6)**

### **1. Indspire Scholarship**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: February 1<sup>st</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to a Canadian Indigenous student enrolled in full-time studies in a post-secondary education program.

For More Information:

Email [education@indspire.ca](mailto:education@indspire.ca)

Call 1.855.INDSPIRE (463.7747)

### **2. ConocoPhillips Aboriginal Award**

Value: \$3000

Deadline: June 30<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to a Canadian Indigenous student enrolled at an accredited Canadian institution.

For More Information:

Check out the website: <http://awards.conocophillips.ca/>

Email: [deanne.l.healy@conocophillips.com](mailto:deanne.l.healy@conocophillips.com)

### **3. Holiday Inn Vancouver Indigenous Scholarship**

Value: \$2000

Deadline: June 21<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to a Canadian Indigenous student enrolled or accepted to an accredited post-secondary school program.

For More Information:

Email: [bonnie@hivancouverdowntown.com](mailto:bonnie@hivancouverdowntown.com)

#### **4. RBC Aboriginal Students Award Program**

Value: \$4,000 each academic year for two to four years

Deadline: July 31<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to a Canadian Indigenous student enrolled in full-time post-secondary studies, with at least two years completed of their post-secondary education.

For More Information:

Fax: 1-866-626-3358

Email: [aboriginalstudentawards@rbc.com](mailto:aboriginalstudentawards@rbc.com)

#### **5. TransAlta Aboriginal Bursary Program**

Value: Each year TransAlta awards up to seven post-secondary bursaries and three trades bursaries to full-time Aboriginal students.

Deadline: September 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to Canadian Indigenous students in all fields of study but priority will be given to programs that support the electrical utility industry.

For More Information Contact:

Amanda Sanregret

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Email: [Amanda\\_Sanregret@transalta.com](mailto:Amanda_Sanregret@transalta.com)

Jorge Aviles

T: 403-267-2556

Email: [Jorge\\_Aviles@transalta.com](mailto:Jorge_Aviles@transalta.com)

[Aboriginal\\_relations@transalta.com](mailto:Aboriginal_relations@transalta.com)

Website: [transalta.com/communities/aboriginal](http://transalta.com/communities/aboriginal)



## **6. Husky Energy – Aboriginal Education Awards Program (3)**

Value: (3) \$5000 for university student - awarded up to 5 years,  
\$3500 for community/technical college student - awarded up to 2 years and  
**\$1000 for a high school student – one-time award**

Deadline: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous students studying Business, Engineering, Geosciences, Environmental Studies, Computer Sciences, Law, or skilled trades, including power engineering and instrumentation technician courses.

For More Information:

Website:

<http://www.huskyenergy.com/socialresponsibility/aboriginalaffairs/educationawards.asp>

Email: [awards@univcan.ca](mailto:awards@univcan.ca)

## **Specific Scholarships Available to Indigenous Students (20)**

### **1. Aboriginal Scholarship Opportunity**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: May 31<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Status or Non-Status Canadian Indigenous students who are enrolled full-time in Broadcasting, Journalism or Media Communication programs.

For More Information:

Email: HireMe@Pilmorex.com

Fax: (905) 829-5800

### **2. ACLS Foundation Geomatics Scholarship Program**

Value: (3) \$1500

Deadline: May 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: For Canadian Indigenous students enrolled in the field of geomatics for a degree or diploma.

For More Information:

Call: 1-613-723-9200

Website: <https://www.acls-aatc.ca/aboriginal-expertise/educational-funding/>

### **3. Aboriginal Education Incentive Award**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: For Indigenous students who have been out of school for at least 1 year and are continuing into their second year of study. Must complete an essay describing your challenges in school and being out of school.

For More Information:

Email: [CanadaPost@GoToApply.ca](mailto:CanadaPost@GoToApply.ca)

Fax: 1-866-458-1025

#### **4. Canadian Aboriginal Art/Writing Challenge – Our Story**

Value: \$500

Deadline: March 31<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadians of Indigenous ancestry ages 9-29. Must write 200-400 words for a writing piece challenge or explain an art work and how it relates to Indigenous heritage/culture.

For More Information:

Website: <http://www.our-story.ca/>

#### **5. Canadian Diversity Scholarship**

Value: \$3000

Deadline: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to Indigenous Canadians, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, women, and military veterans. Must be enrolled in Post-Secondary institutions that relates to CN's core business.

For More Information:

Website: <http://jobs.cn.ca/en/CanadianScholarships/#.WVOXk0-Wzcs>

#### **6. Gil Purcell Memorial Scholarship**

Value: \$4000

Deadline: November 15<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Awarded to Canadian Indigenous students enrolled in journalism at a Canadian university/community college or actively involved in volunteer work at a broadcast/communication station.

For More Information:

Website: <https://www.scholarships2017.com/gil-purcell-memorial-journalism-scholarship-for-native-canadians-canada/>

### **7. Helen Bassett Commemorative Student Award**

Value: \$1000 award given to 4 applicants

Deadline: July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Must be an Indigenous woman under the age of 31. Priority is given to student studying law or justice related fields.

For More Information:

Email: [cchristmas@nwac.ca](mailto:cchristmas@nwac.ca)

Website: <https://www.nwac.ca/get-involved/helen-bassett-award/>

### **8. National Unions Scholarship Program 2017**

Value: \$1500

Deadline: July 7<sup>th</sup> 2017

Eligibility: Scholarship available to Indigenous students. Must be a child/grandchild of a member who works for the National Union(NUPGE)

For More Information:

Website: <https://www.nupge.ca/content/national-unions-scholarship-program-2017>

### **9. Nexen Aboriginal Education Award Program**

Value: \$2500 will be awarded to 10 applicants

Deadline: December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous student enrolled full-time in a recognized Canadian Post-Secondary institution, studying in the fields related to gas and oil industry.

For More Information:

Website: <http://www.nexencnooltd.com/en/Community/Scholarships/Aboriginal.aspx>

### **10. 2017 Indigenous Learning Centre Bursary Program**

Value: (9) \$1000 bursaries awarded

Deadline: July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous student enrolled in a post-secondary institution related to the fields of study: business management, accounting, business administration, commerce and/or finance related programs.

For More Information:

Website:

[http://www.foa.ca/foaen/ILC\\_Charity/ILC\\_Bursary/en/Indigenous\\_Learning\\_Centre/ILC\\_Bursary\\_and\\_Scholarship/ILC\\_Bursary.aspx?hkey=0484b735-5cf8-4f89-9466-774fb7522dd1](http://www.foa.ca/foaen/ILC_Charity/ILC_Bursary/en/Indigenous_Learning_Centre/ILC_Bursary_and_Scholarship/ILC_Bursary.aspx?hkey=0484b735-5cf8-4f89-9466-774fb7522dd1)

Email: [pr@foa.ca](mailto:pr@foa.ca)

Telephone: 1-866-722-2362

### **11. Hebron Diversity Program**

Value: (3) \$1500 awards available

Deadline: January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Full time students at any campus who have Indigenous status, a disability, or represent a visible minority. Recipients must be enrolled in a certificate or diploma-level Industrial Trades or Engineering Technology program. Award is based on academic merit.

For More Information:

Website: <https://www.cna.nl.ca/Student-Support/pdfs/awards/doc-1112016111856631.pdf>

### **12. Indigenous Bar Association Law Student Scholarship**

Value: \$2000

Deadline: June 30<sup>th</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Must be an Indigenous, studying law at an accredited university. Must have completed at least one year at law school.

For More Information:

Website: [http://indigenousbar.ca/awards/educational\\_scholarship.html](http://indigenousbar.ca/awards/educational_scholarship.html)

Email: [achalmers@indigenousbar.ca](mailto:achalmers@indigenousbar.ca)

### **13. J. Michael Waldram Fellowship Memorial Model Forest Fellowship**

Value: \$1000

Deadline: May 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Available to Indigenous Canadian students enrolled in at least their second year degree/diploma in natural resource management.

For More Information:

Call: (705) 744-1715

Email: [admin@cif-ifc.org](mailto:admin@cif-ifc.org)

### **14. Aboriginal Peoples Television Network Scholarship Program**

Value: (2) Scholarships valued at \$2000

Deadline: July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous student enrolled in a full-time study at an accredited post-secondary institution. Must have at least two years of post-secondary schooling completed. Priority given to students in the field of journalism, film production, television production, broadcast engineering and broadcast technology

For More Information:

Website: <http://aptn.ca/pdf/Jobs/Scholarship-Posting-2017.pdf>

### **15. Indigenous Medical Student Scholarship**

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous student must be in at least second year of medical studies.

For More Information:

Website: [http://www.cfpc.ca/Indigenous\\_Scholarship\\_Description/](http://www.cfpc.ca/Indigenous_Scholarship_Description/)

## **16. Aboriginal Clean Energy Scholarship**

Value: \$3000

Deadline: September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Applicants must be a member of an Indigenous community (band or settlement), including First Nations, Métis and Inuit; a resident of Canada; and pursuing full-time studies at an accredited Canadian trades or technical school, college or university in fields that relate to clean energy sector.

For More Information:

Website: <http://www.blueearthrenewables.com/community-investment/aboriginal-clean-energy-scholarship/>

## **17. Scholarship and Work Placement Program for Students with Disabilities and Indigenous Students – Bank of Canada**

Value: \$4000

Deadline: June 1<sup>st</sup>, awarded annually

Eligibility: Canadian Indigenous student enrolled full time at a recognized Canadian university. Must be in fields of study that relate to banking: economics, finance, administration, operations, information technology and cyber security.

For more information:

Website: <http://www.bankofcanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/scholarship-work-placement-program.pdf>

## **18. CPA Indigenous Student Award**

Value: \$10,000

Deadline: June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017, awarded annually

Eligibility: Must be an Indigenous Canadian attending an accredited post-secondary institution in Canada. Must have completed at least two years of post-secondary in field of physiotherapy.

For More Information:

Website: <https://physiotherapy.ca/cpa-indigenous-student-award>

### **19. Aboriginal Ambassadors in the Natural Sciences and Engineering Award**

Value: \$5000

Deadline: Awarded Annually

Eligibility: Indigenous Canadian enrolled full-time in a field of study of natural sciences or engineering. Must complete at least two years of studies. Have a minimum of a B equivalent GPA or greater.

For More Information:

Website: [http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/Aboriginal-Autochtones\\_eng.asp](http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/Aboriginal-Autochtones_eng.asp)

### **20. The Jim Bourque Scholarship**

Eligibility: Canadian Aboriginal students currently, or intending to enroll in education, environmental studies, traditional knowledge, or telecommunication

Value: \$1,000

Deadline: July 15, 2017

Proof of Canadian Aboriginal descent must be provided at time of application.

For More Information:

Visit the website: <http://arctic.ucalgary.ca/jim-bourque-scholarship>



## **Information on Post-Secondary institutions in the Maritimes (17)**

### **New Brunswick (9)**

#### **1. University of New Brunswick Fredericton & Saint John**

There are two programs specifically available to Indigenous students: Bridging Year(BY) and First Nation Training and Education Program(FNTEP). The University has five designated seats for Indigenous students in nursing. The Lorne Joseph Simon award is available to Indigenous students each year in field of study relevant to English/writing. There is one scholarship awarded to a M. Ed student for \$2500 and three bursaries available for B. Ed students. The Faculty of Engineering supports Indigenous students that meet minimal requirements.

#### **2. Maritime College of Forest Technology**

There are designated admissions for Indigenous Canadian students. There are also designated seats for Indigenous Canadian students in the two programs: Forest Technology(FT) & Utility Arboriculture(UA). There are scholarships available to all students.

#### **3. NBCC – New Brunswick Community College**

NBCC has designated seats available for Indigenous students in the regular tuition programs. There are programs placed on Indigenous communities for their members. There is at least one designated seat available to First Nation students per program. Please be advised that St. Mary's First Nation in partnership with NBCC will be offering a 2 year Business Administration: Marketing Program. This Diploma program is set to begin in the fall of 2013 and will have a seat capacity of 16.

This program is open to all First Nations interested.

#### **4. Crandall University**

There are no designated admissions for Indigenous students

## **5. Mount Alison University**

There are no designated admissions for Indigenous students. There are some support services for Indigenous students which includes:

- Support in their transition to university
- Elder in residence,
- Indigenous affairs coordinator,
- Indigenous support group,
- Indigenous mentorship program and designated Indigenous gathering space.

There are two scholarships specifically for Indigenous students: Kluskap First Nations Bursary and the TransAtla Indigenous Scholarship.

## **6. St. Thomas University**

There are no designated admissions for Indigenous students. The University offers the Mi'kmaq-Maliseet Bachelor of Social Work program exclusively for Indigenous Students. The Indigenous Student Services offers academic, cultural, and personal support to Indigenous students while studying at St. Thomas University. The University's Wabanaki Resource Centre also provides Indigenous students with a culturally and spiritually rich environment for academic and personal support. An Elder in residence is also available to support Indigenous students. An Indigenous Community Entrance Award is available to eligible Indigenous students.

## **7. l'Université de Moncton**

There are no scholarships/bursaries available specifically for Indigenous students. There are no designated admissions or seats for Indigenous students.

## **8. BayTech College**

Offers four programs in the following areas: welding, electrical ,plumbing and carpentry. There are no designated seats specifically for Indigenous students as the College is able to accommodate all students. For information on scholarships visit website at: [www.baytechcollege.ca](http://www.baytechcollege.ca).

## **9. St. Stephen University**

St. Stephen's University is a very small school with a maximum intake of 30 students each September. The university has three seats reserved for Indigenous students each year. There are three annual scholarships available in the amount of \$2000. For more information on scholarships visit website: <http://ssu.ca/indigenous-scholarship/>.

## **Nova Scotia (7)**

### **1. St. Francis Xavier University**

There are designated admissions for Indigenous Canadian students at St. Francis Xavier University. The Education program has three seats designated for Indigenous students and the Nursing program has two seats designated for Indigenous students. There are scholarships available to all eligible students.

### **2. Acadia University**

There are no designated seats for Indigenous or minority students at Acadia University. There are scholarships available to all eligible students.

Support Services available for Indigenous students include: Indigenous Student Advisor, free tutoring in various subjects, fee-based tutoring (Acadia Tutoring Service), MASH Centre (Math and Stats Help), the Writing Centre, accessible learning services, career services, Student Resource Centre (counselling), and on-campus health clinic.

Facilities available for Indigenous students include: Welkaqnik – Gathering Space and Resource Centre with access to computer/printer, resource library, meeting space, and sweatlodge.

There is also a club for Indigenous students: Indigenous Student Society of Acadia (ISSA).

### **3. Mount Saint Vincent University**

The University does not offer designated admissions for Indigenous students. There is an Indigenous student centre available to Indigenous students at the University. There is a scholarship available for an eligible mature female Indigenous students.

The University's Indigenous Student Centre offers an educational and culturally engaging space for all students to study and learn more about Indigenous culture from the collection of resource materials available in the library. The Indigenous Student Centre staff are available to provide academic advising and counseling for Indigenous students.

#### **4. University of King's College**

There are no designated admissions for Indigenous students. There are no designated seats for Indigenous students. There are three scholarships that are specifically available to eligible Indigenous Canadians and African Canadians. These three scholarships are: ATV / CTV Scholarship, Dr. Carrie Best Scholarship and the Alumni Association Minority Scholarship.

#### **5. NSCC – Nova Scotia Community College**

The college has a designated seats for Indigenous students. The College provides Indigenous students with: opportunities to build relationships with Indigenous community-based groups, one seat that is designated in each program section for an Indigenous student resident of Nova Scotia, advisors for Indigenous student, and student services staff who offer culturally appropriate services and events.

Financial aid is designated to support students who are members of the Indigenous communities.

#### **6. Dalhousie University**

Dalhousie University's Indigenous Student Centre (ASC) is available to support students while at university. There is an Aboriginal Student Advisor to provide support and advocacy for all Indigenous students at Dalhousie University. The University also offers personal, educational, and career resources for students including: tutoring, study skills and writing development, cultural activities, scholarship and bursary information, educational and information sessions, networking opportunities, and referrals to supports on and off campus.

#### **7. Cape Breton University**

Cape Breton University offers an Indigenous support worker located in Unama'ki College. There is also a lounge for Indigenous students that includes: computers,

boardroom tables, and a kitchen area. Scholarship information is distributed throughout the year and assistance is available for students in completing the applications. The students also have an Indigenous Cultural society on campus with the student union.

The Elmetek program has been running for several years and offers half of their courses are within the communities and the other half on campus to help students transition into university. The BEd program is offered within the community for our Indigenous students. The University also offers a major/minor in Mi'kmaq studies for the BA/BACS degrees. There is a MBA (CED) First Nations option.

Scholarships and bursaries include:

- Irving scholarship and bursary valued at \$5000. Eligible for students enrolled in areas of sustainable energy and environment, business, and Aboriginal studies. Deadline for returning students is September 2017.
- Murdena Marshall science award is valued at \$1,000 and presented to a Mi'kmaq student who is graduating from a natural science or natural science related program with a minimum 65% average and 18 credits in the final year.
- Earth Tech/CBCL Award is valued at \$450.00 for eligible students in the Master of Science Information Technology (MSIT). program and with good academic standing. Recommendations are made by a Mi'kmaq Advisory Selection committee.
- Earth Tech/CBCL Award is an entrance award valued at \$100.00 available for an eligible Aboriginal student who places in the top three at the annual Mi'Kmaq Science Fair.

## **Newfoundland and Labrador (1)**

### **1. Memorial University**

There are several stand alone programs offered to Indigenous students at Memorial University. Information sessions are held for Indigenous students to help them with their application process, and accessing funding.

## **Resources Focused on Skills Needed for Post-Secondary Success (20)**

1. Indigeneous Student Success Guide

[https://www.dal.ca/content/dam/dalhousie/pdf/campuslife/studentervices/native/Native%20Student%20Handbook%202013\\_web.pdf](https://www.dal.ca/content/dam/dalhousie/pdf/campuslife/studentervices/native/Native%20Student%20Handbook%202013_web.pdf)

2. Indigeneous Student Transition Handbook

<https://www.uvic.ca/services/indigenous/assets/docs/Aboriginal%20Student%20Transiti%20Handbook%20Final.pdf>

3. Three Tips on Writing Scholarship Essays

<http://thechronicleherald.ca/bedfordsackvilleobserver/1443076-three-tips-on-writing-scholarship-essays>

4. A Guide to University Study Learning

[http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university\\_learning/accessibility/studyi%20ng.html](http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university_learning/accessibility/studyi%20ng.html)

5. A Guide to University Lecture Learning

[http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university\\_learning/accessibility/lectur%20es.html](http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university_learning/accessibility/lectur%20es.html)

6. University checklist for moving students

<https://www.topuniversities.com/blog/what-take-university>

7. Complete Guide to University

[http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university\\_learning/](http://www.learningcommons.uoguelph.ca/guides/university_learning/)

8. Guide to housing for Post-Secondary Students

<https://www.rentboard.ca/rentals/student-housing/index.aspx>

9. Living on Your Own Guide

<https://www.incharge.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Lesson-4-Teacher-Guide-High-School.pdf>

10. Improve your memory!

<http://www.wikihow.com/Improve-Your-Memory>

11. Suggestions for Students Who Are Struggling

<https://www.ufv.ca/counselling/study-skills-counselling/suggestions-for-students-who-are-struggling/>

12. For Aboriginal Students Who Wish to Pursue a Career in Medicine

<http://talentegg.ca/incubator/2013/02/12/medical-school-application-information-aboriginal-applicants/>

13. Tips for College students

<https://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/here-there-and-everywhere/201008/50-tips-college-students>

14. 7 tips for time-management

<https://www.topuniversities.com/blog/7-time-management-tips-students>

15. 63 Student Tips by Students

[http://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/worklife/campus/tips/g2127/63\\_tips\\_for\\_students\\_from\\_students/?slide=10](http://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/worklife/campus/tips/g2127/63_tips_for_students_from_students/?slide=10)

16. Aboriginal Learning Links – Scholarships, Grants and Bursaries Information

[www.aboriginallearning.ca](http://www.aboriginallearning.ca)

17. Grant Canada

[www.grantcanada.com](http://www.grantcanada.com)

18. Scholarships Canada

[www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)

19. Student Awards

[www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)

20. School Finder

[www.schoolfinder.com](http://www.schoolfinder.com)

## Organizations Offering Support for Student Employment (8)

### 1. Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP)

The Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP) allows hundreds of Indigenous and non-Indigenous students obtain employment related to their field of education within the federal public service across Canada.

Five Indigenous students working in different departments and agencies share their positive experience in the federal public service.

#### What is it?

The Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP) offers full-time students real work experience in the federal public service.

We conduct ongoing recruitment and maintain an inventory of students:

1. At all levels: High school, college, technical institute and university students
2. In 14 areas of study and over 250 specializations
3. Who indicated interest among 14 job types (agriculture, environment, geography, heritage, parks, client services, policies, programs, projects, etc.)
4. Available to work in various cities across Canada

#### Why use FSWEP?

Because it is:

1. A quick and easy recruitment option for temporary jobs while assisting students to obtain work experience and develop skills
2. Access to new, upcoming talent
3. Available all year round
4. An opportunity to support your employment equity (EE) strategy by considering students who belong to one or more of the designated EE groups
5. A student employment program that allows for the extension of the duration of your successful FSWEP (CO-OP or Research Affiliate Program) student.

#### How it works

1. Complete and submit an FSWEP Request for Students (Updated as of May 18, 2017). Be prepared to: °Sell your job to students. Provide text in both official languages
2. Receive the list of randomly selected student applications that meet your selected criteria and are interested in your job.
3. Select students to assess, according to the job requirements. Be sure to request proof of full-time student status and citizenship at this point.
4. Inform the students of the results of your process.
5. Record the process results for all students with the Public Service Commission.
6. Hire your student!

Website:



<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-service-commission/services/staffing-assessment-tools-resources/human-resources-specialists-hiring-managers/recruitment-options-managers/student-recruitment/federal-student-work-experience-program.html>

## **2. Student Employment Experience Development (SEED)**

### **Overview:**

The Student Employment Experience Development (SEED) program provides funding to create summer job opportunities for post-secondary students. The program provides selected students with a summer job of up to ten weeks in duration with a New Brunswick employer between May 1 and September 8, 2017.

### **Program objectives:**

Provide a valuable work experience for students, experiential learning, mentoring and coaching;

- a) Help students develop and build transferable skills and/or find employment in their field of study;
- b) Provide a wage subsidy to employers to help them provide quality summer employment to students;
- c) Enhance students' employment prospects upon completion of their studies; and,
- d) Enable students to finance the continuation of their education.

### **Eligibility:**

A participant must be:

- a) a resident of New Brunswick or a First Nation community in New Brunswick;
- b) eligible to work in Canada;
- c) a student in the current academic year and;
- d) attending a post-secondary institution full-time in the fall.\*

\*Note: grade 12 students are eligible if attending a full-time post-secondary institution in the fall.

### **Program steps:**

- a) Step 1 - Register online at [www.NBseed.ca](http://www.NBseed.ca) from February 3 to March 31, 2017.
- b) Step 2 - Upon reception of a voucher, research job opportunities.
- c) Step 3 - Apply for jobs and go through the employers' recruitment process to ensure a successful work placement.
- d) Step 4 - Gain valuable experience.

### **Selection process:**

- a) Once the application process is closed, eligible SEED applicants will be selected at random from the pool of registered applicants to ensure fairness and equal opportunity. Random selection will be divided by geography/sub-region to allow for equal geographical representation. A third party, non-governmental entity will provide validation for the random selection process.

- b) Selected participants will be notified and will receive a voucher by email along with instructions on how to connect with registered employers.
- c) Due to the large number of applications, some students will not receive a SEED voucher. They are encouraged to explore all summer work options in their region.

**Description:**

This program provides students with employment opportunities during summer break. The average length of SEED summer placements ranges between eight (8) and ten (10) weeks. In order to be considered for placements, students must apply online at [www.nbjobs.ca/seed\\_landing](http://www.nbjobs.ca/seed_landing)

**3. Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI)**

The Joint Economic Development Initiative (JEDI) provides a variety of programs and services to support Indigenous workforce development in New Brunswick. These include:

1. The New Brunswick Aboriginal Information and Communications Technology (NBAICT) training-to-employment project;
2. The New Brunswick Aboriginal Mining, Energy and Trades (NBAMET) training-to-employment project;
3. The Aboriginal Adult Learning and Apprenticeship Partnership;
4. The Provincial Aboriginal Employment Coordinator Partnership;
5. The Indigenous Labour Market Information Partnership;
6. The Indigenous Digital Literacy project;
7. The Indigenous Internship Program;
8. The JEDI/Brun-Way Bursary and the JEDI/NBCC Bursary;
9. The New Brunswick Aboriginal Shipbuilding Engagement Strategy.

Each program and service is client-focused and responds to industry needs.

**4. Youth Employment Fund (YEF)**

**Overview**

The Youth Employment Fund (YEF) provides an entry point to long term employment for unemployed individuals between 18-29 years of age who require a work experience opportunity as identified through their employment action plan. By placing an individual with an employer, the youth may gain work experience and develop skills through basic workplace training, mentoring and coaching (from the employer).

**Eligibility**

Individual

- a) Must be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident
- b) Must be unemployed, underemployed or working less than 15 hours per week.
- c) Must be a resident of New Brunswick.
- d) The individual must have an employment action plan and be referred by an employment counsellor / case manager from one of the following:
  - Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour
  - Social Development
  - Employment Assistance Services organizations
  - Indigenous organizations
  - Public Safety
  - Office of Human Resources (Equal Opportunity Program)
- e) The individual must not be a full time student. High school students who: are at least 18 year of age, graduating in June, not planning to attend full-time post-secondary education and plan to enter the labour force immediately after high school can apply to the program after May 1st for placements starting after graduation.
- f) Individuals must be between 18-29 (at least 18 years old but less than 30 years old at the time of application).
- g) Must have a resume before being placed with an employer.
- h) Have not previously participated in a YEF placement.
- i) An employer must inform the YEF Program Officer immediately when an individual has taken medical or personal leave. No placement will be held beyond eight weeks.
- j) The individual must not be an immediate family member of the employer (spouse, children, parents, brother, sister), nor can they be an officer or director of the organization or a member of their immediate families.

## **Placements**

- a) Must be for 30-hours per week for 26-weeks, consecutively (i.e. 6 months).
- b) Up to 8-weeks (2 months) of the 26-weeks may be for training.
- c) The job placement cannot displace permanent employees on layoff, vacation, parental or sick leave.
- d) The job must meet the individual's occupational goal as per their employment action plan.
- e) Where jobs are covered by collective agreements, the employers must consult with unions to ensure that placements are not in contravention with provisions of the collective agreement.
- f) The job placement must be in accordance with all Provincial and Federal Acts and Regulations.

- g) The placement cannot be for a post-secondary education practicum, a co-operative education work placement or Apprenticeship Block Release.
- h) The individual must not have already started with an employer prior to the position being approved by the YEF Program Officer.

### **Employer**

- a) Priority is for private sector businesses but other sectors will be approved (based on the client's needs) include:
  - Non-profit organizations;
  - Municipality;
  - Provincial Government Departments/Agencies only;
  - First Nations.
- b) Must be located in New Brunswick.
- c) Needs to provide a quality (i.e. orientation, coaching and mentoring) work experience opportunity.
- d) Have demonstrated commitment and positive experience in previous placements (if applicable).
- e) Priority will be given to employers who express an intent to retain the participant after the placement period.

### **Description**

The Youth Employment Fund is through both provincial resources and by the Labour Market Development Agreement. It is a youth specific, work experience program designed to provide youth with an opportunity to develop skills and find jobs in the Province.

Through the case management process youth are matched with eligible employers for a 26-week (i.e. 6-month) work experience. Individual supports and wage subsidies are available to support the placement and skills training that are linked to an available job.

### **5. Indspire Job Opportunities Board**

There are job opportunities posted on the Indspire website.

Here is a list of jobs that may be available:

- a) Administrative Assistant
- b) Development Assistant
- c) Associate Director
- d) Corporate Sales Director

For further information visit the website:

Website: [http://indspire.ca/job\\_board/](http://indspire.ca/job_board/)

## **6. LYNX**

The LYNX Program provides online career services for Indigenous post-secondary students and recent graduates seeking meaningful employment and for employers seeking to hire qualified Indigenous post-secondary students and recent graduates.

Check out the Facebook page for job posts:

<https://www.facebook.com/LYNX.Aboriginal>

Sign up for an account online to find job opportunities:

<https://lynx.orbiscommunications.com/home.htm>

## **7. Talent Egg**

Indigenous Career Guide

Discover jobs and online resources designed to connect First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students and recent grads to rewarding careers

Check out the website for more information:

<http://talentegg.ca/career-guides/aboriginal/>

## **8. The Canadian Aboriginal Peoples Job Seekers Portal**

Powered by Indigenous Link, this highly specialized employment portal is fully-dedicated to assisting Indigenous Job Seekers in researching and acquiring opportunities to develop their careers. Training resources, skill development, 'how-to' guides, and 1,000's of Indigenous job postings make this site ideal for Indigenous Job Seekers in all stages of their careers. AboriginalCareers.ca provides some of the best Indigenous employment opportunities in Canada.

For further information check the website out:

<http://aboriginalcareers.ca/>

## Conclusion

There are up to 40 different post-secondary institutions in the Maritimes; these are some of the potential opportunities available and gathered through research.

When applying or planning to apply for a scholarship/bursary please watch for deadlines as they are all different and may change each year.

Student employment opportunities may also be available throughout the school year at various post-secondary institutions and other organizations and may also have specific deadlines for applying.

Please make sure to contact the Guidance Counsellor at your school for questions regarding post-secondary options and opportunities.

The information provided in this document is not an exhaustive list of all possible opportunities available for students. If there is information missing that needs to be included in this guide, please contact the The Department of Education: Office of First Nation Education.

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