University of Victoria External Awards List
For Aboriginal Students

*NOTE: Please see company’s website for the most up-to-date information and deadline.

Aboriginal Bursaries Search Tool

The Aboriginal Bursaries Search Tool is a searchable list of more than 680 bursaries, scholarships and incentives across Canada, offered by governments, universities and colleges, private and public companies, individual Canadians, organizations and others. Aboriginal Bursaries Search Tool is administered by Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada.

- Website: www.aandc.gc.ca/bursaries

Aboriginal Clean Energy Scholarships (ACES)

BluEarth awards Aboriginal Clean Energy Scholarships of up to $3,000 annually to Aboriginal students pursuing post-secondary education, including trade certification, diploma, degree programs, etc. Successful candidates will have an opportunity for an internship at the conclusion of their academic year and an opportunity to be partnered with a BluEarth team member who will act as a learning partner throughout their academic year. This learning partnership is for two-way communication to inspire, challenge and motivate students as well as BluEarth employees.

- Website: https://bluearthrenewables.com/our-responsibility/scholarships/

Aboriginal Learning Links

Aboriginal Learning Links is a resource that lists scholarships, grants and bursaries available for Aboriginal students.

- Website: http://aboriginallearning.ca/

Aboriginal Multi-Media Society

Aboriginal Multi-Media Society provides an online Aboriginal Scholarship Guide with an extensive list of scholarships and bursaries available to Aboriginal students.

- Website: http://www.ammsa.com/community-access/scholarships

AFOA Canada: Norman Taylor Memorial Scholarship and Bursary Program

AFOA has developed a number of scholarships aimed at providing educational opportunities in finance and management to both adults wishing to pursue their education, and students entering into post-graduate studies. Applicants must be enrolled in Business Administration, Business Management, Accounting/Finance or Commerce. Please see website for specific eligibility criteria and requirements.

- Amount: Four (4) bursaries of $1000
• Website: https://www.afoa.ca/

**BC Hydro Scholarships and Awards**

Aboriginal scholarships are awarded to selected Aboriginal students currently enrolled in a full-time post-secondary institution or to Grade 12 students planning to pursue a full-time public post-secondary education within Canada. These awards are available to individuals who are status/non status Indians, Inuit or Metis. Students pursuing an education in technology or engineering will be considered priority applicants; however general admission students are encouraged to apply.

- Amount: $1500 (8 awards); $2000 (1 award)
- Website: https://www.bchydro.com/community/community-giving/scholarships.html

**BC Indigenous Awards**

Various award available for First Nations (Status or Non-Status), Inuit or Métis students studying full-time at BC public post-secondary institutions or Indigenous post-secondary institutions. See website listed for detailed requirements for various awards.

- Amount: $1000-$2500 (multi-year) for students pursuing training, apprenticeships, diplomas, certificates or undergraduate degrees, $5000 (multi-year) for students pursuing Masters or Doctoral Studies, $5000 (Multi-year) for students pursuing a teaching certificate.
- Website: https://www.ikbbc.ca/indigenous-awards/about-this-award/

**Bill and Elsie More First Nations Bursary**

The Bursary is intended for First Nations students enrolled in a recognized post-secondary course of studies, who are experiencing financial need. The award is for amounts up to $1000. Preference is given to students who have already completed part of their program of studies and who may be unable to finish because of their financial situation. There is not an application form for the Bursary. Applicants are asked to write a letter which includes information on:

- Personal background (including First Nations or tribal background)
- Program of study (brief description, length of program, number of years completed)
- Transcript of most recent marks
- Budget showing income and expenses; include any supporting documents
- Letters of recommendation (personal and academic)

Here are the details of the Bursary:

- Amount: Up to $1000
- Website: http://brucemore.ca/billelsie-more-first-nations-bursary/
- Contact: For further information contact Arthur More at artmoreajm@yahoo.ca
- Mail completed information to: Arthur J. More, Ph.D., ECPS, University of BC, c/o 5611 Woods Avenue, Summerland, BC, V0H 1Z9.
**Ch’nook Scholars Program**

Ch’nook Scholars is open to Aboriginal students studying full time in a business program at a college or university in British Columbia and is inclusive of status and non-status First Nation, Inuit and Metis students.

- **Amount:** $2,000
- **Website:** [http://www.sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/Chnook/Students/Chnook_Scholars](http://www.sauder.ubc.ca/Programs/Chnook/Students/Chnook_Scholars)

**Chilliwack Metis Association’s Lithograph Scholarship**

The Chilliwack Metis Associations’ (CMA) Scholarship Program provides funding to BC students of Metis ancestry to help support their post-secondary education. 100% of the funds are raised from the CMA’s annual fundraising raffle.

- **Amount:** $1,086
- **Website:** [http://www.chilliwackmetisassociation.ca/](http://www.chilliwackmetisassociation.ca/)
- **Email:** chilliwackmetisfundraising@gmail.com

**CN Scholarship Program**

CN offers grants to support the post-secondary education of people of Aboriginal heritage in Canada. To be eligible students must be enrolled in programs relevant to CN’s core business (Engineering, Transportation, Sales & Marketing, Human Resources in Aboriginal Studies & Law and Accounting & Finance). See webpage for additional eligibility requirements and criteria.

- **Amount:** $3000
- **Website:** [http://jobs.cn.ca/en/CanadianScholarships/](http://jobs.cn.ca/en/CanadianScholarships/)

**ConocoPhillips Canada Aboriginal Awards Program**

The Aboriginal Awards Program has been developed to provide financial assistance to Aboriginal students pursuing high school upgrading and post-secondary education.

- **Amount:**
  - Academic upgrading/Certificate program: $1,000
  - Diploma program: $2,000
  - University Degree Program: $3,000
- **Website:** [http://awards.conocophillips.ca/](http://awards.conocophillips.ca/)

**Elizabeth Hill Chee-Meegwetch Endowment Fund**

The School of Social Work maintains a fund in honor of Elizabeth Hill. The fund is used to assist Indigenous UVic School of Social Work students. Students may apply by December 1 of each year in writing to the Indigenous circle.
• Website: http://www.uvic.ca/hsd/socialwork/indiginit/home/ehcmfund/index.php
• Email: bswis@uvic.ca

First Peoples’ Cultural Council’s Indigenous Arts Scholarship

The Indigenous Art Scholarship supports the development of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit artists and arts practitioners residing in B.C. with funding for education or mentorship, providing up to $20,000 in funding to students in full-time mentorship training and up to $10,000 for students enrolled in post-secondary education. The scholarship is made possible with funding from the BC Arts Council.
  • Website: https://fpcc.ca/stories/fpcc-arts-grants-now-open/

Gitxsan Health Society Bursary

The Gitxsan Health Society Bursary Program is designed to assist students entering or continuing their post-secondary education in a health related educational program. Approved bursary assistance is determined by academic achievement and hardship/need. Please see application for specific eligibility requirements and criteria.
  • Amount: Two bursaries of $500 offered two times a year
  • Website: http://www.gitxsanhealth.com/careers/ghs-bursaries/

GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders Program in Canada

The GE Foundation Scholar-Leaders Program provides financial support and skills development opportunities for accomplished first-year undergraduate students from recognized institutions who are pursuing degrees in the fields of engineering or business/management. To be eligible, Canadian residents must be an Aboriginal individual (First Nation status or non-status, Metis or Inuit) and studying engineering or business/management.
  • Amount: $3000 per year for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year of undergraduate program
  • Website: http://scholarshipandmore.org/canada/program-details/
  • Email: gefslp-canada@iie.org Tel: 1-800-486-0308

Health Sciences Association of B.C. Aboriginal Bursary Award

HSA provides two bursaries to Aboriginal students from BC who are enrolled in a HSA-related field leading to a recognized certification, degree or diploma at a public college, university or other post-secondary educational institution. Please see application for list of eligible occupations.
  • Amount: Two (2) awards for $1,000 each
  • Website: http://www.hsabc.org/member-benefits/scholarships-and-bursaries
**Helen Basset Commemorative Student Scholarships**

This scholarship is for aboriginal women who are pursuing or currently enrolled in post-secondary studies. Applicants must be under 30 years of age and must demonstrate commitment to improving the situation of Aboriginal women and youth in Canada politically, culturally, economically or otherwise. Priority will be given to those studying in law or justice related fields.

- Amount: $1000 and awarded to four Aboriginal women in Canada from each of the four traditional directions (North, East, South, West).
- Website: [http://www.nwac.ca/home](http://www.nwac.ca/home)

**Heroes of Our Time Scholarship**

Heroes of Our Time scholarships recognize the hard work, dedication and academic achievements of First Nations post-secondary students who demonstrate excellence in a variety of categories. Please see website for specific eligibility requirements and criteria

- Amount: Eight (8) awards for $2000 each

**Husky Energy - Aboriginal Education Awards**

The Husky Aboriginal Education Awards are bursaries available to all Aboriginal students enrolled in high school and post-secondary institutions. The selection committee bases its decision on academic achievement and on how the individuals desired career path relates to the petroleum industry.

- Amount: There are three scholarships valued at $5,000 CAD for the bachelor level and two scholarships valued at $3,500 CAD for the diploma level.
- Website: [https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca](https://portal.scholarshippartners.ca)
- Email: awards@univcan.ca

**Imperial Oil: Aboriginal Scholarships**

Imperial Oil provides numerous post-secondary bursaries and scholarships to Aboriginal students across Canada. Please visit the website as there are a variety of different awards with different criteria and eligibility requirements.

- Amount: $1000 - $5000
- Website: [http://www.imperialoil.ca/Canada-English/community_aboriginal_scholar.aspx](http://www.imperialoil.ca/Canada-English/community_aboriginal_scholar.aspx)

**ḴEL,ḴELOŦEN ČE S,IISTEW Education Fund**

There are very few Indigenous professionals working in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in Canada. Many engineering and architecture firms work with Indigenous communities but
few have Indigenous people working within their organizations. Our partners recognize this and want to help Indigenous people pursue careers in our industry. The fund will provide both financial support and career mentorship.

- Amount: $5000
- Website: [https://indigenousaeaward.ca/](https://indigenousaeaward.ca/)

**The Indigenous Learning Centre**

The Indigenous Learning Centre has three $1,000 bursaries to be awarded in August 2016. Bursaries are available to Aboriginal students attending college or university as a full-time student in an academic program such as; Business Administration, Business Management, Accounting, Commerce and/or other finance related programs.

- Amount: Three (3) $1,000
- Website: [http://www.afoa.ca/](http://www.afoa.ca/)
- Email: pr@afoa.ca

**Indspire**

Depending on their area of study, students can apply for many different financial awards from one of several different funding streams offered through Indspire’s *Bursary and Scholarship Awards* program. Please see chart on website for types of scholarships and awards offered and specific deadlines. Please visit the website for details on eligibility requirements and criteria.

- Amount: Awards amounts vary and are based on financial need of applicant
- Website: [http://indspire.ca/for-students/bursaries-scholarships/](http://indspire.ca/for-students/bursaries-scholarships/)

**Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society**

The Aboriginal Teacher Education Award is designed to encourage and facilitate the training of Aboriginal teachers. Please see the website for specific criteria and eligibility requirements.

- Amount: $5000 (renewable annually for duration of program)
- Website: [http://www.ikbbc.ca/web/](http://www.ikbbc.ca/web/)

The Aboriginal Student Award purpose is to support aboriginal people in pursuing post-secondary education by reducing financial barriers. Scholarships are available for apprenticeships, certificate and diploma applicants, as well as for students studying at an undergraduate and graduate level.

- Amount: $1000 - $5000 (some are given annually for duration of program)
- Website: [http://www.ikbbc.ca/web/aboriginal](http://www.ikbbc.ca/web/aboriginal)

The 2020 Women in Technology & Indigenous Women in Technology Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement (Minimum B+ GPA required), and a demonstrated commitment to the pursuit of a career in the Technology Sector. Students must have completed a minimum of one-year of full-time studies leading to an undergraduate degree, diploma or certificate in Computer/Data Science,
Engineering, or Mathematics, and be continuing in your studies at a BC public post-secondary institution for at least one additional year. The deadline is July 6th 2020.

- Amount: Ten Scholarships valued at $10,000 each.
- Website: https://www.ikbbc.ca/women-in-tech/about-this-scholarship/

The Irving K Barber BC Scholarship Society (IKB) is pleased to announce that the 2021 Indigenous Awards Program is now open! Over 700 individual Awards, totaling approximately $2.0M, will be available this year for students enrolled in post-secondary studies ranging from apprenticeship to post-graduate. Instructions on how to apply, links to application forms, and full eligibility criteria can be found on the Society’s website at https://www.ikbbc.ca/indigenous-awards/about-this-award/

The application deadline is Friday, April 30, 2021.

For more information, visit the Society’s website https://www.ikbbc.ca/ or contact us at info@ikbbc.ca or by phone (toll-free) at 1-844-478-4645.

**Journalists for Human Rights: Emerging Indigenous Reporter Scholarships**

This scholarship is for Indigenous students currently enrolled in a post-secondary media program at a Canadian Institution or who will be attending enrolled in a post-secondary program in September 2015.

- Amount: Six (6) scholarships at $4500
- Website: http://www.jhr.ca/en/awards.php

**Métis Employment & Training (METP) Funding**

The Métis Nation British Columbia administers the Métis Employment & Training Program (METP) to improve the employment potential, earning capacity and self-sufficiency of Métis people in British Columbia. If you're interested in post-secondary education, regardless of what year and program (undergraduate, graduate, professional) reach out to your Regional Employment & Training office today! Funding can be provided for tuition and mandatory fees, mandatory books and supplies, and where the applicant qualifies, living allowances and relocation costs.

- Website https://www.mnbc.ca/contact/employment-support
- Contact: tjackson@mnbc.ca or 250-753-6271

**Mungo Martin Memorial Awards**

These awards are to assist people of Native descent to further their education, vocational training, skills and competence. These awards are for students living in BC at the time of the application who are a student at an accredited university or college. These awards are open to those who wish to further their general education and skills, and also to those who seek to do creative work to further the artistic heritage of the Native peoples in their paintings, carving, music, dance, folklore or language.

- Amount: $100 - $500
Native American Students Financial Aid

This page provides information about financial aid for Native American students. Some Canadian citizens are eligible. For a student to be eligible for many Native American scholarships, such as BIA scholarships, the student should be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe. Native American students with at least 50% Indian blood who were born in Canada are eligible for Title IV federal student aid under the jurisdiction of the Jay Treaty of 1794, subsequent treaties, and U.S. Immigration Law.

- **Amount:** Various awards and values
- **Website:** [http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/natamind.phtml](http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/natamind.phtml)

New Relationship Trust (NRT) First Nations Scholarship Program

The NRT Scholarship and Bursary Initiative provides funding to First Nation students pursuing a post-secondary education from a recognized institution. Scholarships are awarded at the Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate level. Bursaries are awarded to students pursuing trades certificates and diplomas.

- **Amount:** 30 undergraduate scholarships of $5000; 10 masters degree scholarships of $10,000 each and 5 doctorate degree scholarships of $20,000 each
- **Website:** [http://www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/initiatives/education](http://www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/initiatives/education)

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Scholarships and Fellowships (NSERC)

NSERC offers many scholarships and fellowships for every stage of study, from undergraduate to postdoctoral for students studying sciences and engineering. NSERC encourages Aboriginal participation in various award programs. NSERC also offers the Aboriginal Ambassadors in the Natural Sciences and Engineering Supplement Program. Please see the website for details and specific eligibility criteria.

- **Amount:** Various amounts
- **Email:** school@nserc-crsng.gc.ca

Nuu-chah-nulth Post-Secondary Scholarships

The NTC post-secondary funding supports eligible Nuu-chah-nulth post-secondary students enrolled in eligible post-secondary programs. Please visit the website for specific eligibility requirements and criteria.

- **Amount:** Full time support covers living allowance, tuition, books and supplies; part-time support covers tuition, books and supplies
- **Website:** [http://www.nuuchahnulth.org/tribal-council/educ/index.html](http://www.nuuchahnulth.org/tribal-council/educ/index.html)
**National Union of Public and General Employees Scholarship for Aboriginal Canadians - NUPGE**

This scholarship is open to all Aboriginal Canadian students who plan to enter the first year of a Canadian public post-secondary education institution full time in 2015/2016. Applicants must be the children, grandchildren or foster children of the National Union members. Please see website for specific eligibility requirements and criteria.

- **Amount:** $1,500
- **Website:** [http://www.nupge.ca/scholarships](http://www.nupge.ca/scholarships)

**Stantec Equity & Diversity Scholarship**

The Stantec Equity & Diversity Scholarship will contribute to the creation of a critical mass of talented students that will fully represent our industry—it will provide an environment in which all can thrive academically and professionally. Through this scholarship, Stantec will award $200,000 annually. We believe everyone has a right to education, and we are committed to providing people in historically underrepresented and Black, Indigenous, people of color (BIPOC) groups with financial aid.

- **Amount:** between $1,500 and $10,000
- **Website:** Stantec Equity & Diversity Scholarship

**Rose Nolan Memorial Scholarship**

The Rose Nolan Scholarship will be awarded to First Nations Women who are achieving their educational and training goals while maintaining strong community involvement. There will also be one scholarship awarded to a woman with developmental challenges attending a post-secondary learning center or institution.

- **Amount:** $5,000
- **Website:** [http://www.tednolanfoundation.com/](http://www.tednolanfoundation.com/)

**RBC Aboriginal Student Awards**

The RBC Aboriginal Student Awards Program offers financial assistance to Aboriginal students to complete their post-secondary education. Please see website for specific eligibility criteria and requirements.

- **Amount:** 10 scholarships of up to $4,000 per academic year for educational and living expenses
- **Website:** [http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html](http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html)

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