University of Victoria External Awards List
For Indigenous Students

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

Indigenous Bursaries Search Tool

The Indigenous bursaries search tool is a searchable list of 520 bursaries, scholarships and incentives aimed at Indigenous students across Canada.

- Website: https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1351185180120/1351685455328

Indigenous Peoples Scholarships

We are committed to building mutually-beneficial relationships with Canada’s Indigenous communities. As part of this commitment, we award scholarships to Indigenous students to help develop their skills and knowledge in the renewable energy sector.

- Amount: Up to $3,000 per scholarship
- 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/

BC Hydro Scholarships and Awards

“Our Indigenous Scholarship and Bursary program supports students who are pursuing a post-secondary education and are residents of B.C We are interested in supporting Indigenous People working toward professions relevant to BC Hydro.”

- 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.

Cenovus Energy – Indigenous Scholarship Program

“Each year, we offer scholarships for Indigenous students residing in Canada near our operating areas who are pursuing a full-time degree, diploma or certified trade. These scholarships are valued at $5,000 and are renewable for up to four years, or to the completion of your degree.”

- Website: https://www.cenovus.com/Careers/Students-and-new-grads/Indigenous-Scholarship

Ch’nook Scholars Program

Ch’nook Scholars is open to status and non-status First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students studying full-time in a business program at a post-secondary institution in British Columbia or at the University of British Columbia.

- Amount: $2,000
- Website: 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

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.

- 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/](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

Health Sciences Association of B.C. Indigenous Bursary Award

HSA provides two $1500 bursaries to Indigenous students from BC who are continuing or proceeding in any HSA-related field.

- Website: [http://www.hsabc.org/member-benefits/scholarships-and-bursaries](http://www.hsabc.org/member-benefits/scholarships-and-bursaries)
Helen Basset Commemorative Student Scholarships

Every year, NWAC hands out the Helen Bassett Commemorative Award to four young Indigenous women, Two-Spirit, or gender-diverse students in the amount of $1,000 each.

- Website: https://www.nwac.ca/scholarships-bursaries/helen-bassett-commemorative-student-award

Imperial Oil Indigenous Scholarship Program

The Imperial Indigenous Scholarships will be distributed annually to Indigenous student(s) who are attending post-secondary institutions (i.e. college, university, technical college, or apprenticeship programs) across Canada with demonstrated financial need for contribution to education costs and with a preference to students studying in the following academic programs:

i. Science, Technology, Engineering and Math education (STEM), geology, geophysics, chemistry, computer science, business and accounting.
ii. Diploma technology programs including petroleum, mechanical, instrumentation and electrical and chemical production.
iii. Or other programs related to the oil and gas business

- Website: https://indspirefunding.ca/imperial/

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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/

The Indigenous Learning Centre

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.

- Website: https://indigenouslearningcentre.ca/assistance/bursaries/
**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 Society offers Indigenous Award programs for students pursuing post-secondary education in BC. They are available to students who identify as Indigenous – First Nations (Status or Non-Status), Métis or Inuit. All are renewable in order to provide sustained funding over multiple years.

- **Amount:** $1000-$5000 (multi-year)
- **Website:** [https://www.ikbbc.ca/indigenous-awards/about-this-award/](https://www.ikbbc.ca/indigenous-awards/about-this-award/)

**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](https://www.mnbc.ca/contact/employment-support)
- **Contact:** tjackson@mnbc.ca or 250-753-6271

**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

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
- Website: http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Students-Etudiants/index_eng.asp
- 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: https://nuuchahnulth.org/services/post-secondary-funding-and-advisory-services

National Union of Public and General Employees Scholarship for Indigenous Canadians - NUPGE
All Indigenous students who are children or grandchildren (including foster children or grandchildren) or legal wards of a current or retired member of a Component, or a Component's affiliate, of the National Union of Public and General Employees (NUPGE) and are planning to enter the 1st year of a Canadian public, post-secondary education program, full-time, in 2022/23 are eligible to apply.
- Amount: $2,500
- Website: https://scholarships.nupge.ca/scholarship-indigenous-students
**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: [https://www.fnuniv.ca/university-services/student-success-services-elder-services/scholarships/rose-nolan-scholarship/](https://www.fnuniv.ca/university-services/student-success-services-elder-services/scholarships/rose-nolan-scholarship/)

**RBC Indigenous Student Awards**

The RBC Indigenous Student Awards Program offers financial assistance to Indigenous 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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