

The Indigenous Careers Award is designed to encourage Indigenous Albertans (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) to pursue and complete post-secondary studies in certificate, diploma, applied degree, and bachelor's degree programs that lead to high-demand career outcomes in Alberta.

Indigenous Ancestry and Residency Requirements	Eligible Programs of Study
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must be Status Indian/First Nations, Non-Status Indian/First Nations, Métis, or Inuit and be able to provide proof of Indigenous ancestry. You must be a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada and an Alberta resident. 	<p>Eligible program bands are based on Government of Alberta's forecast of high-demand careers in Alberta. The program bands are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Education including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Childhood Education and Childcare Physical, Natural & Applied Sciences Technologists Health Sciences including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kinesiology Social Sciences limited to the following programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child and Youth care Community Support Worker Social Work Addictions Studies/Counselling/Service Worker
Eligible School Requirement	Program Bands Not Eligible
<p>You must be attending a participating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> public post-secondary school in Alberta, or First Nations College in Alberta 	<p>The following program bands are not eligible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Languages, Social Sciences, Arts & Humanities Legal & Security Recreation
Course Load and Study Requirements	Other Eligibility Criteria (if required)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must be enrolled in the 2017-18 Fall and/or Winter semester in order to be considered for these awards. A semester is defined as a study period of up to 17 weeks in length. You must be enrolled in at least 60% of a full course load. If you are a student with a documented permanent disability, you can be eligible if you are enrolled in at least 40% of a full course load. Your school determines what constitutes a full-time course load in each program. Co-op students, students in brokered programs, and students who are participating in an official exchange may be eligible. You must be in satisfactory academic standing as determined by your school - satisfactory academic standing may vary in how it is determined by school or program. You are not eligible to receive the award if you: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> switch your program of study from an eligible program to an ineligible program before the award is paid, or withdraw from studies or drop from full-time to part-time studies before the award is paid. 	
Credential Types	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must be enrolled in a certificate, diploma, applied or bachelor's degree program. Students enrolled in apprenticeship technical training, integrated training, pre-employment or non-credential programs are not eligible. University transfer programs are only eligible if they are in the program bands described in the right-hand column. E.g. General university transfer or Open Study programs would not be eligible but an education transfer program that leads directly to a Bachelor of Education program would be eligible. 	
How to Apply	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must apply to the school you are attending. If you are a co-op student, a student in a brokered program, or participating in an official exchange, you must apply through the school that will issue your post-secondary credential. 	

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Indigenous Ancestry

Please indicate your Indigenous Ancestry:

- Status Indian/First Nations Non-Status Indian/First Nations Métis Inuit

Documentation Requirements: You must provide proof of your Indigenous ancestry to your school to determine your eligibility. Acceptable documents of proof include:

- certificate of Indian Status, a status card or a valid band membership card
- letter from your band verifying your status
- membership card issued by a Métis organization the student is registered with (Métis organization must be a legal entity)
- a certified copy of a Nunavut Trust Certificate card or Inuit beneficiary card
- letter of support from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada or Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated
- letter of support from a First Nation, Métis or Inuit organization (must be a legal entity) confirming the applicant's aboriginal ancestry

Schools may use discretion and accept other documentation.

Personal Information

Last Name (*current legal name*)

First Name (*current legal name*)

Middle Initial

Apartment or Box Number

Street Address (add direction, e.g. S, NW, SE, if applicable)

City/Town

Prov/State

Country

Postal/Zip Code

Mobile Number (format: 999-999-9999) to receive text messages

Telephone Number (format: 999-999-9999)

Email Address

Citizenship Status: (check one)

- Canadian Permanent Resident Protected Person

Social Insurance Number

Gender: Male

Female

Another/Prefer not to disclose

Birthdate

Day	Month	Year
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Are you an Alberta resident*? Yes No

*You are an Alberta resident if one of the following describes your situation:

- You maintained permanent residence in Alberta for a period of 12 months immediately prior to attending a post-secondary school, or
- Your parents or guardians have maintained permanent residence in Canada for 12 consecutive months and reside in Alberta, or
- Your spouse/partner is an Alberta resident, or
- You have been declared, or fall within a class of persons declared, to be a resident in Alberta by the Minister.

Alberta Student Number (obtained from Alberta Transcript of High School Achievement)

Full-time Studies Information

Name of School

Program

Program Specialization/Major

Program Outcome/Credential **What year of this program will you be in? (check one)**
 Certificate 1st year or less 2nd year 3rd year 4th or 5th year

Diploma **Length of your program of studies (check one)**
 Degree 1 year or less 2 years 3 years 4 or 5 years

Enter your program session start and end dates for the current school year.

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Additional Questions

Declaration of Applicant

I have read and understand the instructions, and declare that:

- all information provided is true and complete and I understand it is subject to verification.
- I will immediately notify _____ if there are any changes to the information I have provided in this application.

- I authorize my post-secondary institution to disclose information collected on this application form, my program of study and any award details (if I am selected) to Alberta Student Aid, and I authorize Alberta Student Aid to collect this information from the post-secondary institution for the purposes of administering the Indigenous Careers Award under the *Student Financial Assistance Act*, including confirming my eligibility and suitability for this award, for program evaluation and for research and statistical analysis.

Signature of Applicant (in ink)

Today's Date (in ink)

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