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Aboriginal Canada Portal: Financial Assistance This site lists the different scholarships, grants and bursaries that are available.

<http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/acp/site.nsf/en/ao20011.html>

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada: Post Secondary Education This site describes the supports programs (tuition, travel, living expenses) and the University College Entrance Preparation Program <http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/pse-eng.asp>

Youth Canada This site is a portal to numerous links for aboriginal resources.

<http://www.youth.gc.ca/eng/home.shtml>

Building Environmental Aboriginal Human Resources (BEAHR) This site provides information about environmental career opportunities.

<http://www.beahr.com/default.aspx?language=0>

“The National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation (NAAF) offers financial awards to First Nations, Inuit, and Metis students through bursaries and scholarships.”

www.naaf.ca/html/education_programs_e.html

National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation Building Brighter Futures Bursary & Scholarship Awards for First Nation, Metis and Inuit Students 2009/2010

<http://www.naaf.ca/docs/e/BBF%20FINAL.pdf>

“Aboriginal Business Canada is a program of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC). Working with clients and partners, we provide a range of services and support that is helping to promote the growth of a strong Aboriginal business sector in Canada. Our support varies depending upon the needs of the client, the availability, and sources of funding, the eligibility of costs, the economic benefits, and the reasonableness and timing of financial returns on investment.” www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/e cd/ab/abc/abcnu-eng.asp

Aboriginal Bursary System The purpose of the Aboriginal Bursary System is to provide Aboriginal students with a valuable tool to facilitate their pursuit of post-secondary studies. These awards are made available by various organizations and institutions. Bursaries may be searched by regions, disciplines, providers and key words. <http://pse-esd.ainc-inac.gc.ca/abs/main.asp?lang=E>

Aboriginal Training Program in Museum Practices “The Aboriginal Training Program in Museum Practices provides Aboriginal people with professional and technical training in museum practices as well as internship opportunities at the Canadian Museum of Civilization.”

(www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/aboriginal_training_museum.shtml)

Bold Eagle Program “The Bold Eagle Program provides Aboriginal youth with summer employment that offers a combination of military training and First Nations cultural awareness. The Program provides participants with transportation to and from Wainwright, Alberta, military equipment and clothing, meals and accommodation and a standard rate of pay for a private (recruit).”

(www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/bold_eagle.shtml)

Canadian Forces Aboriginal Entry Program “The Canadian Forces Aboriginal Entry Program aims to facilitate the selection and enrolment of Aboriginal people who are interested in full-time employment in the Canadian Forces by acquainting them with military training prior to making a formal commitment to enlist.”

(www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/cf_aboriginal_entry.shtml)

Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program “The Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program promotes the equitable representation of Aboriginal people in the legal profession by providing bursaries to Métis and non-status Indians who wish to attend law school.”

(www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/legal_studies_aboriginal.shtml)

Post-Secondary Student Support Program “The Post –Secondary Student Support Program provides financial assistance to First Nation and Inuit students who are pursuing post-secondary education.”

(www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/post_secondary_support.shtml)

University College Entrance Preparation Program (UCEP) “The University College Entrance Preparation Program (UCEP) provides financial assistance for the equivalent of one year to eligible First Nation and Inuit students to enable them to attain the academic level required for admittance to post-secondary education programs.” (www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/goc/ucep.shtml)

Guiding Circles “Helping Aboriginal people discover their career potential, one story at a time”. Guiding Circles is an interactive, flexible, and fun holistic career development program designed to guide individuals toward career paths. The workbooks combine a traditional Aboriginal worldview with contemporary career development concepts to help you achieve career satisfaction, break down cultural barriers, and better understand Aboriginal workforce challenges.”

(www.aboriginalhr.ca/en/programs/guidingcircles)

Inclusion Network - Canada’s Aboriginal Job Site “Connecting employers and educators directly to the Aboriginal talent pool, and over 400 Aboriginal

employment centres. With hundreds of registered employers and more than 3,000 registered Aboriginal job seekers, the Inclusion Network is fast becoming the preferred electronic choice for locating Aboriginal talent in Canada.”

(www.aboriginalhr.ca/en/programs/inclusionnetwork)

Aboriginal Construction Careers “The Construction Sector Council created **AboriginalConstructionCareers.ca** to provide young Aboriginal Canadians with information that can help them choose the right career path.”

(<http://www.aboriginaltrades.ca/en/node/85>)

Aboriginal Job Seeker “Employment opportunities are available for browsing by Aboriginal job seekers from the Web site. They may search the job postings by location, job sector, or keywords. Opportunities from across Canada are added to the site daily!”

(www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/abdt/apps/aboriginalemloyment.nsf/fJSHomeEn?OpenForm&lang=en)

The Job Search Tool Kit for Aboriginal Youth “There are some exercises to help you discover your own personality, skills and talents (including ones you might not know are there). Then there is a section on the job market, with suggestions for you to follow up in your own province or territory. In the practical sense, there is information on how to apply for that job - writing a résumé and cover letter, and going for an interview. Then when you get the job (and you will, with patience and perseverance), there are some suggestions for your first day on your new job. There are even tips on how to make yourself indispensable to your employer. Finally there is a section on becoming an entrepreneur - how to figure out whether you have what it takes, as well as some information on where you can get more help and information.”

(<http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/ys/tk-eng.pdf>)

E-Spirit National Aboriginal Youth Business Plan Competition

“E-Spirit is about making a "human capital investment" that will provide the participant with valuable skills needed for today's marketplace. Assisting students today, while still in high school, gives them time and the information they require to make informed choices about their education and career paths. This program is designed to increase Aboriginal youth participants' awareness of entrepreneurial/business opportunities, management/business skills, and e-commerce and technological capacities. Cash prizes, computers, cool Websites and resources, a chance to meet other students online and in person, recognition and awards are just some of the features of this initiative.”

(www.bdc.ca/espirit/en/default.htm?iNoC=1)

Mining Industry Human Resource Portal for Aboriginal Communities “This portal, along with The Mining Industry Human Resource Guide for Aboriginal Communities is intended to be a resource for Aboriginal community organizations, career planners and practitioners, community leaders and individuals. The portal

provides basic information about career opportunities and training/education requirements for individuals considering employment in mining. It includes a sample of job profiles of individuals employed in various mining activities and in positions with a range of skill requirements.”

(www.aboriginalmining.ca/en/index.asp)

Building Environmental Aboriginal Human Resources (BEAHR) “Wondering if a career in the environmental sector is right for you? Aboriginal EnviroCareers will help you decide! Through interest matching, occupational profiles, role models and career planning tools, you’ll be sure to find what you need to make your EnviroCareer choice.” (<http://www.beahr.com/students.aspx?language=0>)

Aboriginal Multi Media Society Association: Aboriginal Scholarships/ Bursary Guide

This site provides links to numerous scholarships and bursaries.

(<http://www.ammsa.com/ammsabursary.html>)

CN Aboriginal Award “CN offers a variety of scholarships in Canada and the United States for children of its employees. CN makes awards available to Inuit, status or non-status Indian or Métis students entering or enrolled full-time in a post-secondary program in Canada that leads to a career in the transportation industry. This includes fields such as engineering, business, computer science, communications and technical studies.” (<http://www.cn.ca/en/careers-offer-scholaships-aboriginal-awards.htm>)

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Canada Post Aboriginal Education Incentive Award The **Aboriginal Education Incentive Award** (AEIA) celebrates the hard work and determination of Aboriginal people who have overcome personal, economic or social adversity in their pursuit of learning. If you have committed to furthering your education and have completed a year in an educational program, you may qualify.

(<http://www.canadapost.ca/cpo/mc/aboutus/community/aboriginaleducation/default.jsf?LOCALE=en>)

RBC Aboriginal Student Awards Program “The RBC Aboriginal Student Awards Program was launched in 1992 to assist Aboriginal students to complete post-secondary education, and provide an opportunity for RBC to strengthen its relationship with the Aboriginal community. Selected students are awarded up to \$4,000 each academic year for a maximum of four years to use towards tuition, textbooks, supplies and living expenses.”

(http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html)

Aboriginal Youth Financial Management Conference Awards “The AFOA-Grant Thornton Aboriginal Youth Financial Managements Awards are open to First Nation youth in grades 11 and 12. Winners attend AFOA's National Conference and participate in a special Youth program designed to introduce youth to careers in Aboriginal finance and management.” Applicants must submit an essay on a designated topic. (http://www.afoa.ca/afoa/awards_youth_management.asp)

CIC Aboriginal Bursary University of Regina Award Amount: \$5,000.00 Applicants must submit a statement of contributions to date with respect to leadership, management experience, and community service, a statement of career goals and future employment plans, and a statement of financial need. Deadlines: July 1 for Fall and November 1 for Winter semesters. (<http://www.afoa.ca/afoa/saskatchewan.asp>)

The Circle of Founders Aboriginal Graduate Program Bursary Fund University of Saskatchewan Award Amount: \$500.00 Value ranges from \$500-3000. “Open to Aboriginal students enrolled in the MBA program. Students must demonstrate that they will successfully complete one full term of MBA studies and will continue on with studies in the second term. Apply to the Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Programs, College of Commerce” (<http://www.afoa.ca/afoa/saskatchewan.asp>)

Dr. Edward Wolstein Award for Students of Aboriginal Ancestry University of Regina Award Amount: \$3,750.00 “Awarded to a full-time student who has completed 60 credit hours. Paid in two equal instalments. Must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours in each of the semesters in which award is given. Minimum TGPA of 65% in the Fall semester is required for second instalment. (<http://www.afoa.ca/afoa/saskatchewan.asp>)

First Nations Single Parent Health Careers Bursary “This program will give out a minimum of five \$1,000 cash bursaries to First Nation students currently enrolled and attending health related post-secondary programs during the 2009-2010 school year, who are single parents and in need of financial support.” (www.naho.ca/firstnations/english/youth_bursary.php)

Nexen Inc. Aboriginal Education Award Program SIAST Kelsey Campus “For students of Aboriginal ancestry pursuing studies in engineering, geology, geophysics, petroleum management and business. Apply to Kelsey campus student awards office. (<http://www.afoa.ca/afoa/saskatchewan.asp>)

Foundation for the Advancement of Aboriginal Youth “Bursaries — the only national Aboriginal program that provides \$750 to students pursuing a high school diploma as an incentive to stay in school. Scholarships — provides a minimum amount of \$2,500 and is available to students pursuing a post-secondary education in any discipline.” (<http://www.ccab.com/faay.html>)

Aboriginal Business Mentorship Program “CCAB’s Mentorship program provides Aboriginal business owners with a mentoring experience that guides and supports them as they identify and pursue their business goals.”
(<http://www.ccab.com/mentoring.html>)

Gil Purcell Memorial Journalism Scholarship for Native Canadians “To encourage native Canadians to pursue a career in journalism through study at a Canadian postsecondary institution.
“(a href="http://www.thecanadianpress.com/uploadedFiles/About_CP/Careers/Gillis_Purcell_Scholarship_Application.pdf">http://www.thecanadianpress.com/uploadedFiles/About_CP/Careers/Gillis_Purcell_Scholarship_Application.pdf)

Helen Bassett Commemorative Student Award “Every year the NWAC Youth Department and Youth Council coordinate the Helen Bassett youth award given to four young Aboriginal women in the amount of \$1,000 each.” (<http://www.nwac-hq.org/en/youthscholars.html>)

Legal Studies for Aboriginal People Program “To promote equitable representation of Aboriginal people in the legal profession by providing financial assistance to those enrolled in a pre-law program or a law program in Canada.
(<http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/pb-dgp/prog/lsap-aeda.html>)

Post Secondary Scholarship Program “Aboriginal students enrolled, or accepted for enrolment, as full-time or part-time post-secondary studies of two or more academic years in duration which are recognized by Canadian and foreign post-secondary institutions, in fields of studies that support and contribute to Aboriginal self-government and economic self-reliance can apply directly to the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation.”
(<http://www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/pgm/pa-app/pgm/pbep-pssp/index-eng.cfm>)

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Post-Secondary Student Support Program
“**Tuition support** for part-time and full-time students that may include fees for registration, tuition and the cost of books and supplies required for courses.
Travel support for students who must leave their permanent place of residence to attend college or university. Students may qualify for a grant to return home once every semester. This grant also covers any dependents who live with the student.
Living expenses for full-time students to help cover the costs of food, shelter, transportation and day care.” (<http://www.aincinac.gc.ca/edu/ep/pse-eng.asp>)

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada University College Entrance Preparation Program “Financial assistance for students with the cost of tuition fees, books and travel, and living allowances, when applicable. Financial assistance for Status Indian and Inuit students enrolled in university and college entrance preparation programs, to help them achieve the academic level required to enter degree and diploma programs.” (<http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/edu/ep/pse-eng.asp>)

Aboriginal Skills Development Program - Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP) Participation of Aboriginal students through the Aboriginal Skills Development Program - Federal Student Work Experience Program (ASDP) will broaden their opportunities across the federal Public Service not only as students, but also for indeterminate employment upon completion of school and/or provide them with skills and experience that they may choose to take to an Aboriginal government. (<http://www.aincinac.gc.ca/emp/ae/ase-eng.asp>)

St. Thomas More College This site lists the scholarships, awards and bursaries that are available for aboriginal students who are entering or continuing to study within the college. (<http://www.stmcollege.ca/current-students/scholarships-bursaries-awards/aboriginal-students.php>)

RBC Aboriginal Students Awards Program “Awards are distributed in two categories: For students majoring in disciplines related to the financial services industry; For students majoring in disciplines unrelated to the financial services industry.” (http://www.rbc.com/careers/aboriginal_student_awards.html)

The National Union’s Scholarship Program – Scholarship for Aboriginal Canadians (http://www.nupge.ca/news_2008/n05no08a.htm)

SaskTel Metis Scholarship (<http://www.sasktel.com/about-us/community-involvement/scholarships-bursaries/sasktel-metis-scholarship.html>)

SaskTel and Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies Scholarships “The Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies (SIIT) and SaskTel have jointly established six scholarships valued at \$1500 to encourage Aboriginal students to pursue post-secondary education in fields directly related to telecommunications.” (<http://www.sasktel.com/about-us/community-involvement/scholarships-bursaries/siit-scholarships.html>)

SGI Corporate Scholarship Program “Eight (8) \$2,500 scholarships are awarded each year – four (4) to university students and four (4) to students attending a technical institute. Recipients may receive only one SGI scholarship during their studies. Two (2) scholarships will be awarded exclusively to diversity candidates. The other six (6) scholarships are open to non-diversity and diversity candidates.” (http://www.sgi.sk.ca/sgi_pub/in_your_community/sgi_scholarships/sgi_corporate.html)

James Dickson Scholarship “This \$500 scholarship is available annually to a graduating Grade 12 Saskatchewan student of **black ancestry**. If no award is made during one year, two awards may be made during the following year.” (<http://www.aeel.gov.sk.ca/Default.aspx?DN=1539,1509,104,81,1,Documents>)

D.R. Simmons Memorial Scholarships “There are two scholarships of \$500 available annually to graduating Grade 12 Saskatchewan students of First Nations or Métis

ancestry who are continuing studies at the post-secondary level.”

(<http://www.aeel.gov.sk.ca/Default.aspx?DN=1539,1509,104,81,1,Documents>)

University of Regina Aboriginal Career Centre “The Aboriginal Career Centre has been established to provide support and to work beside Aboriginal students so they can attain career-related work experience and to provide career-related transitioning for when they graduate.”

(<http://www.uregina.ca/acc/index.html>)

Prince Albert Grand Council: Bobby Bird Memorial Awards: An award is available for a student in Grade 9, 10, 11 and 12. The criteria are Academic Achievement, Attendance, First Nations Language, Traditional/Cultural Skills, Effort, Athletics, Special Talent/Activities, and Community Service.

Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies “SIIT collaborates with the provincial universities and other educational institutions to deliver diploma (two years), certificate (one year) and trades programs. A variety of academic and personal upgrading programming options are available for First Nations adults, ranging from literacy programming to Adult Grade 12 to post-secondary preparation programs at SIIT.”

(<http://www.siiit.sk.ca/AboutSIIT.html>)

Gabriel Dumont Institute of Native Studies and Applied Research The institute offers entrance, undergraduate, graduate, graduation, loan remission and special scholarships. (<http://www.gdins.org/NapoleonLaFontaine.shtml>)