

# Washington State University MOU Tribal Scholarship Application Packet

**Scholarship Description:** The MOU Tribal Scholarship was developed through the Provost Office of WSU for members of tribes that are signatory to a Memorandum of Understanding with WSU. Signatory tribes include the following: Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, Confederated Tribes of the Salish and Kootenai, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, Cowlitz Tribe, Kalispel Tribe, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Nez Perce Tribe, Quinault Tribe, Spokane Tribe and Yakama Nation. The MOU Scholarship is for new incoming freshmen students and transfer students. Awards are renewable if criteria are met.

**WSU Pullman Campus:** Twelve \$4,000 awards are available at the Pullman Campus and freshmen students will be given priority consideration. In addition to the financial award, students selected for the MOU Tribal Scholarship are enrolled in the Tribal Nation Building Leadership (TNBL) Program. The WSU Tribal Nation Building Leadership Program provides students with leadership skills and knowledge based on tribal principles and values. Recipients take an introductory student success course (2 credits) the first semester, and 2-credit TNBL courses each subsequent semester.

**WSU Tri-Cities Campus:** Two \$2,000 awards are available at the WSU Tri-Cities Campus to new incoming freshmen and transfer students who are members of a Signatory Tribe.

**WSU Vancouver Campus:** Two \$2,000 awards are available at the WSU Vancouver Campus to new incoming freshmen and transfer students who are members of a Signatory Tribe.

### Scholarship Criteria:

- Applicants must be an enrolled member of one of the WSU Signatory Tribes.
- Applicants must have a minimum high school or college GPA of 3.0.

### Application Process: **DEADLINE Extended to March 20, 2010!**

- Submit application packet to your respective Tribal Higher Education Department. The Tribal Higher Education Manager will sign off on the nomination form and forward it to the Tribal Chairperson or designee for signature.
- **Tribal Officials:** after signed by tribal chair/designee, MAIL, FAX or EMAIL Application Packets by April 10 to:

WSU Native American Programs PO BOX 641046 Pullman, WA 99164-1046 Fax: 509-335-0103 Email: native@wsu.edu

Award announcements will be made to the signatory tribes and scholarship recipients.

**Questions:** Contact Faith Price at <u>faith.price@wsu.edu</u> or 509-335-5849.



### Washington State University MOU Tribal Scholarship Application Checklist

Please check each item below indicating that the requirement has been met and/or the requested information is attached.

- □ MOU Tribal Scholarship Student Information Sheet
- □ Current transcripts (unofficial is acceptable)
- □ Essay
- □ Academic letter of reference written by a high school or college staff member that is familiar with student's academic achievements and ability. This letter of reference should be addressed to the attention of the WSU Provost/MOU Tribal Scholarship. This is not to be written by a relative.
- □ Tribal Community Letter of Reference written by an individual who can assess the student's leadership abilities and involvement in tribal activities. This letter of reference should be addressed to the attention of the WSU Provost/MOU Tribal Scholarship. This is not to be written by a relative.
- Documentation of Tribal Enrollment
- □ My FAFSA application was submitted by the deadline of January 31 (optional, but highly encouraged to get the most aid possible)
- □ I have completed the WSU General Scholarship Application and submitted it by January 31 (optional, but highly encouraged)

Student Signature

Date



## Washington State University MOU Tribal Scholarship Student Information Sheet

Last Name:	First Name:	
Address:		
Phone:	Email address:	
Tribe:		
High School/Community		
College:		
Intended College Major:		
Please check one of the follow	ing: I have applied for admission to the following WSU Campus site:	
Pullman	□ Tri-Cities □ Vancouver	

#### ESSAY STATEMENT:

Please attach one written statement of 500-750 words total that answers the following questions:

- 1. What are your career goals and why have you selected these goals?
- 2. How do you plan to finance your education?
- 3. What have you contributed and how do you hope to contribute in the future to the development and progress of your tribe?
- 4. Address one of the following tribal values: stewardship, sovereignty, what it means to be a tribal member, or the importance of education.



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## **Tribal Nomination Form**

Applicant's Name (Please Print) Applicant's Signature Date Submitted to Tribal Higher Education \*\*\*\*\* Name of Tribal Higher Education Director/ Signature of Tribal Higher Education Director/ **Designated Staff (Please Print)** (Signature verifies application is complete) Date Submitted to Tribal Chairman or Governing Body Designee \*\*\*\*\* Name of Tribal Chairman or Governing Body Signature of Tribal Chairman or Governing Body Designee (Please Print) Designee

Date