

AUSU Indigenous Student Award

Donor: AUSU (Athabasca University Students' Union)Number: Two (2)Value: Tuition Credit towards one undergraduate 3 credit course (in or out of Province)

Description of the Award

The AUSU Indigenous Student Awards are intended to encourage and support Indigenous students as they pursue their academic studies with Athabasca University.

Application Criteria

- Be admitted to Athabasca University in an undergraduate program (degree, diploma, or certificate).
- Be of Indigenous kinship as defined by the applicant's Indigenous nation within the land known as Canada (See section D of Application form for details).
- Must be a Canadian Citizen.
- Students are eligible to receive this award one time only.

Selection Criteria

- Students for whom it will make the most difference (can consider both financial hardships and logistical hurdles students face).
- Contribution to their Indigenous community (i.e., leadership, community work/leadership regarding Indigenization and decolonization, either within their community or outside of it.)
- Preference will be given to students who have completed 15 credits or less.

Application Deadline:

January 15th

Application Instructions:

Submit your application here: Student Awards Application Submission Or navigate back to award listing to submit

Award Notification

Successful applicants should expect to be notified within one month of the selection committee convening to choose recipients.

Questions?

Visit the Athabasca University Awards website located at: Student Awards Finder Email your inquiries to: <u>awardsinfo@athabascau.ca</u>

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Before completing this application form, please ensure that you meet all the eligibility criteria and that you can demonstrate the qualities of the selection criteria.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Athabasca University Student Identification Number:

Social Insurance Number:

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Mailing Address 1:

Mailing Address 2:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Country:

Primary Telephone Number:

Alternate Telephone Number:

Email Address:

B. CURRENT POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INFORMATION

Complete the information requested below. Information will be verified with your student record and other sources, if required.

In which AU program are you currently enrolled?

How many AU credits have you completed?

C. SHORT ESSAY RESPONSE

Please respond to the questions below. Limit your essay to approximately 500 words. A missing essay will disqualify you.

How would this award help you obtain your AU undergraduate credential (degree/diploma/certificate)? What are your academic goals? What contributions have you made to your community? How might an AU credential support your future plans?

D. INDIGENOUS KINSHIP, ANCESTRY, STATUS or ELIGIBILITY

Be of Indigenous kinship as defined by the applicant's Indigenous nation within the land known as Canada.

- Indigenous kinship includes First Nation, Métis, or Inuit
- Proof of Indigenous kinship is required
- Proof can include documentation that demonstrates Indigenous kinship (Certificate of Indian Status, Métis Identification Card, Inuit Beneficiary Card, or other document confirming Indigenous kinship as defined by their nation or community)
- A letter from a recognized community organization or nation is acceptable

Attach your documentation to your application or send it separately by email attachment to mailto:awardsapplication@athabascau.ca

Please ensure to include your full name and the award name in the subject line of your email submission.

E. REQUIRED CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE

I certify that the information provided in this application and in the accompanying documentation is true, accurate and complete. I authorize the provision of any information held or to be held by Athabasca University, and others relating to my application, including but not limited to personal evaluations and transcripts, to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University and the Selection Committee chosen for this scholarship. I understand and accept that: (1) such information will be used by the Student Awards Unit and the awards selection committee of Athabasca University for the purposes of selection, for statistical analysis, and to facilitate ongoing administrative correspondence with applicants, necessary to further the objective of the Athabasca University Student Awards Program and to improve selection process; (2) the Athabasca University will not release application evaluation or the results of the evaluation process, except to inform me if my application has been accepted for an award; and (3) for all questions regarding my personal information held on file by the Athabasca University, including updates thereof, I may reach an Athabasca University representative through the contact information provided within this award package; and (4) if my application is selected for this award, I authorize the publication of my name and the name of the award received in reports to governing bodies of Athabasca University. I understand that should my application be selected for this award, I am subject to the reporting obligations of the Canada Revenue Agency regarding scholarships, fellowships, bursaries, study grants, and artists project grants. Finally, if my application is selected for this award, I will: (1) provide a thank you letter to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University to be forwarded to the donor of the award.

Name of Applicant:

Date:

Your personal information is collected under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-25 and the *Post-Secondary Learning Act*, S.A. 2003, c. P-19.5.