November

External Aboriginal Award Opportunities

Indspire Building Brighter Futures Awards
Post Secondary Education Deadline: November 2, 2015 - This deadline is for studies taking place between September 2015-August 2016. **Apply ONLINE HERE!**
Eligible studies include but are not limited to 1) business, computers, science, law, engineering, technical studies, education, social work, and social sciences; 2) Full-time certificate or diploma programs, undergraduate and graduate degree programs that are at least 8 months in length, from an accredited post secondary institution; 3) Studies outside of Canada are considered only at the graduate level (Masters and PhD).

Health Careers Deadline: November 2, 2015 - This deadline is for studies taking place between September 2015 – August 2016. **Apply ONLINE HERE!**
Eligible studies in health care careers include but are not limited to 1) Medicine, nursing, dentistry, physiotherapy, pharmacy, clinical psychology, laboratory research and veterinarian medicine; 2) Full-time certificate programs, undergraduate, professional and graduate degree programs of at least two academic years at an accredited Canadian post secondary institution; 3) Studies outside of Canada are considered only at the graduate level (Masters and PhD only).

Apprenticeships, Skilled Trades, and Technology Programs – General Application
You are eligible to apply for financial awards if you meet the following criteria: 1) be a Canadian Indigenous person; 2) studying in an accredited institution and education program in Alberta, British Columbia, or Ontario related to Trades and Technology field such as: Electrician, Gasfitter, Heavy Duty Mechanic, Heavy Equipment Operator, Heavy Equipment Technician, Instrument Technician, Insulator, Machinist, Mechanic, Millwright, Pipe fitter – Construction, Process Operator, Valve Technician, Welder and others; or Chemical Technologist, Control, Corrosion, Environmental Technologist, Inspection, Instrumentation-Electrical, Board, Systems, Voltage, Petroleum Engineering Technologist, Power Engineering, Managing Boiler, and others; 3) not be a member of the staff, board, or jury at the time of applying for funding support. **Deadline: November 2, 2015**

Soroptimist Live Your Dream Awards
The Soroptimist Live Your Dream Awards (formerly the Women’s Opportunity Awards) assists women who provide the primary source of financial support for their families by giving them the resources they need to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. Each year, more than $1.6 million in education grants are awarded to more than 1,200 women, many of whom have overcome enormous obstacles including poverty, domestic violence and/or drug and alcohol abuse. Live Your Dream Awards recipients may use the cash award to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education, such as books, childcare, tuition and transportation. You are eligible to apply for the Soroptimist Live Your Dream Awards if you are a woman who: 1) Provide the primary financial support for yourself and your dependents. Dependents can include children, spouse, partner, siblings and/or parents; 2) Have financial need; 3) Are enrolled in or have been accepted to a vocational/skills training
program or an undergraduate degree program; 4) Are motivated to achieve your education and career goals; 5) Reside in one of Soroptimist International of the Americas’ member countries/territories (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guam, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Taiwan, United States of America, Venezuela); 6) Have not previously been the recipient of a Live Your Dream Awards (formerly called the Women’s Opportunity Award); 7) Do not have a graduate degree; 8) Are not a Soroptimist member, an employee of Soroptimist International of the Americas or immediate family of either; 9) Has a Social Security number or Tax ID number. **Deadline: November 15**

**Nexen Inc – Aboriginal Education Award Program**

Nexen offers eight awards annually of $2,000 each. Recipients may also be considered for summer and post-graduate employment with the company. Award Criteria: 1) Must be of Aboriginal ancestry; 2) Enrolled full-time in a recognized post secondary institution; 3) Pursuing studies relevant to the oil and gas industry; 4) Demonstrates academic achievement; 5) Demonstrates community leadership; 6) Canadian Citizen. Application forms are available in Augustana’s Aboriginal Students Office or online at the link above. **Deadline: November 15**

**The Gil Purcell Memorial Journalism Scholarship for Native Canadians**

A scholarship of $4,000 and an offer of summer employment at The Canadian Press or one of its affiliated companies. It was established in 1990 in honor of Gillis Purcell, general manager of The Canadian Press, the national news agency, from 1945 to 1969. Many of the strengths and traditions of Canadian journalism had their roots in his dedication to the quality of journalism. Eligibility: To be awarded to a native Canadian (status or non-status Indian, Métis or Inuit) who is enrolled at a Canadian university or community college. The student must either be enrolled in a journalism program or actively involved in a volunteer capacity with a student newspaper or broadcast station. The scholarship is open to both French and English-speaking native Canadians. **Deadline: Typically November 15. Please contact award provides for further information.**

**Aboriginal Broadcast Engineering Scholarship**

Award: Two $1,000 scholarships to be award January 1. Eligibility: 1) You are of Aboriginal (First Nations, Métis, Inuit) ancestry; 2) You are a Faculty of Engineering student enrolled in computer or electrical engineering program; 3) Have successfully completed program Year 1; 4) Have an aptitude/interest in broadcast engineering; 5) You are in need of financial assistance; 6) You are actively involved in the Aboriginal community. **Deadline: November 15**

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**Note:** Information in this document is subject to change.  
Please contact award providers for up-to-date guidelines prior to submitting an application.

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