

AIGC has fellowships, scholarships, loans and academic team for students

The American Indian Graduate Center, Inc. has fellowships, scholarships and loans for service available to American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) undergraduate and graduate students.

Each year, the AIGC fellowship program provides \$1,200,000 in fellowships to more than 350 AI/AN graduate or professional degree-seeking students who meet all eligibility criteria.

The U.S. Bureau of Indian Education federally funds the fellowship program. The fellowship amount is typically between \$1,000 and \$5,000 per academic year (not including summer) and varies from year to year, depending on the availability of funds and unmet financial need.

AIGC administers the following private fellowships to graduate students:

- Elizabeth Furbur Fellowship: Graduate fellowship for women studying the creative fine arts, visual works, crafts, music, performing, dance, literacy, creative writing and poetry
- Dr. George Blue Spruce Fellowship: Dr. Blue Spruce created the fellowship as a step toward increasing the very low number of American Indian dentists.
- Gerald Peet Fellowship: Priority to medical students or those in health-related fields
- Grace Wall Barreda Memorial Fellowship: Graduate fellowship for

students seeking advanced degrees in environmental studies or public health

- Jeanette Elmer Scholarship-Graduate Fellowship: This fund is designated to provide scholarships to students who have completed their bachelor's degree and are enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program at an accredited institution and who are members of Wisconsin, New Mexico or Arizona Tribes.

- Katrin Lamon Fund: For American Indian graduate students majoring in literature, journalism and communications or a related field

- Ruth Muskrat Bronson Scholarship Fund: Priority to nursing or health-related fields if the nursing pool is nonexistent; one or two graduate students per year

BIE-Loan for Service (Graduate)

AIGC administers a grant from the Bureau of Indian Education to provide financial assistance in the form of loans to eligible AI/AN students seeking graduate and professional degrees.

The goal is to promote opportunities for careers with Tribal governments, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education and Bureau of Indian Affairs-funded organizations on and off reservations; or organizations and other agencies with significant American Indian

populations. Loans are paid back at the rate of one year (12 months) of service for one year of funding.

Wells Fargo American Indian Scholarship – graduate and undergraduate

Wells Fargo's goal is to build personal and lasting relationships with the students who will become future leaders in economic development in Indian communities and Wells Fargo leaders in the banking and financial service industry.

Accenture American Indian Scholarship – graduate and undergraduate

This fund seeks high-achieving student leaders for this non-need-based scholarship for AI/AN students seeking degrees and careers in various engineering, computer science, operations management, finance, marketing and other business-oriented fields.

Scholarship recipients are eligible for summer internships with Accenture, as first-year graduate students or junior-year undergraduate students.

Applicants will be evaluated on academic excellence, demonstrated leadership, commitment to preserving American Indian culture and communities, and

proof of enrollment in a United States federally recognized AI/AN Tribe.

Loan for Service Program

AIGC has interest-free educational loans for graduate students for the academic year 2011-2012. The Loan for Service Program is a Bureau of Indian Education-funded financial aid opportunity administered by AIGC for AI/AN graduate and professional degree students.

Part or all of the loan repayment may be cancelled if the recipient accepts employment with the BIA/BIE or a Tribe.

All Native American High School Academic Team

The AIGC All Native American High School Academic Team (ANAHSAT) honors 10 AI/AN high school seniors each year. Students who have outstanding academic achievements; leadership in school, civic and extracurricular activities; and motivation to serve and succeed should apply.

Members of the ANAHSAT will receive a \$250 honorarium and be featured in *American Indian Graduate* magazine and *Indian Country Today*.

For more information on any of the above, visit aigc.com.

UO offers business scholarship through insurance agents, brokers group

The Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Oregon, a statewide non-profit association, offers the W.A. "Pete" Brooks Scholarship award. The award was established to honor the longtime insurance industry professional who later left a considerable bequest to the fund in his will.

Scholarship monies awarded will be made available in equal installments for the fall, winter and spring terms of the academic year 2011/2012. The recipient must be a student in the College of Business or an undergrad pursuing a pre-business major at the University of Oregon for the respective terms to be eligible for the applicable installment.

This scholarship must be used during the year for which it is awarded. Recipients can re-apply the following year for further scholarship assistance.

Experience in or knowledge of the insurance industry is not required. The maximum award per recipient is \$2,500 and will be determined following the receipt of all applications

Applications must be postmarked by April 15. Applicants will be notified by the end of June with the scholarship results.

Please contact Jeanne Coe, director of Student Services, Lundquist College of Business, at 541-346-3257 or via e-mail at jcoe@uoregon.edu with any questions.

1. The applicant shall prepare a statement of 300 words or less setting forth his/her vocational or professional goal and relate how past, present and future activities make the accomplishment of this goal probable. The letter must be signed.
2. Transcript of high school grades or current college grades transcript.
3. Current dated, signed one-page letters of recommendation from 1-3 people. Letter may cover applicant's ability, work habits, leadership, personality, participation in the community, leadership, service and notable skills.
4. A résumé of achievement in scholarship, leadership, community service, work, school activities, extracurricular activities and/or other activities.

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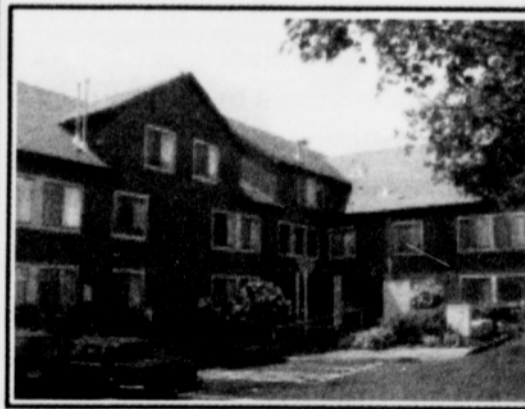
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