

Graduate Students

In the 2015-16 academic year, eight graduate students will be funded at \$1,000 each to help with expenses.

If you are in graduate school or plan to attend this coming year:

- Fill out and send in the regular Higher Education application.
- Send proof of the American Indian Graduation Center application.
- Include a one-page paper on your graduate degree program and your plans after completion.
- Applications are due on April 1.
- Awards will be made spring or fall term.

If you have questions, please call 541-444-8290 or 800-922-1399, ext. 290.

UO offers in-state tuition to Siletz Tribal students regardless of state of residency

The University of Oregon continues to offer in-state tuition benefits to enrolled Siletz Tribal members regardless of their current state of residency.

The Residency by Aboriginal Right Program was first offered in 2001 to 44 Tribes that have aboriginal territories within the state of Oregon that pre-date 1850. Out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition, a \$20,000 savings each academic year.

“All high school graduates should go to college. It’s not a choice. It’s a requirement. Our ancestors sacrificed and survived so that we would have the choices we have today,” said Jason Younker, UO assistant vice president, advisor to the president for government-to-government relations and a member of the Coquille Indian Tribe. “We should honor their sacrifices.”

UO offers bachelor’s and graduate degrees through 272 academic programs. As a member of the Association of American Universities, it is one of only 36 public universities committed to scientific exploration and interdisciplinary research.

One hundred sixty-two American Indians from across the nation are enrolled at UO, including 27 from Oregon Tribes.

The Many Nations Longhouse opened in 2005 and is home for the Native American Student Association, the Native American Law Students Association and the American Indian Science and Engineering Society.

The UO Mother’s Day Pow-Wow is one of the largest Tribal celebrations in Oregon.

For more information about UO, visit uoregon.edu.

Internships

Congressman Earl Blumenauer 3rd Congressional District Portland District Office Deadline: Ongoing

Congressman Earl Blumenauer’s district includes most of Multnomah County and the northern half of Clackamas County. His district office in Portland has three primary responsibilities: district field and communications outreach, constituent casework and district scheduling for the congressman.

Currently enrolled students are eligible to apply for an internship in the district. To apply, please submit a cover letter and résumé via email to Katie.Gargan@mail.house.gov.

In the body of your email message, please indicate what dates you will be available, how many hours a week you would like to work and whether you will seek academic credit. If you are not seeking college credit for the internship, a short letter in writing from your educational institution detailing the academic benefit of this program is required.

For more information, visit blumenauer.house.gov or contact Katie Gargan at 503-231-2300.

OHSU CURE and Equity Summer Internship Program Deadline: Jan. 25

The eight-week research internships are scheduled for June 13-Aug. 5. High school students and undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds and interests in health and sciences are encouraged to apply.

In partnership with OHSU’s Knight Cancer Institute, the Ted R. Lilley Continuing Umbrella of Research Education (CURE) High School Internship Program provides an opportunity for Oregon high school students to gain hands-on lab experience and exposure to scientific research.

The Equity Summer Research Internship Program is open to currently enrolled undergraduate students (pursing their first bachelor’s degree) with an interest in the biomedical sciences, M.D. program, physician assistant, nursing, public health or dentistry.

If you have any questions, contact cdi@ohsu.edu.

NAPIRE (Native American and Pacific Islander Research Experience) in Costa Rica Deadline: Feb. 15

The NAPIRE program introduces undergraduate students to scientific research by making them responsible for completing a research project. Students are supported to this end by giving them their basic living needs (travel, room and board), guidance by a research mentor, home mentor and OTS staff, a small budget for supplies, and a venue for presenting the research results, the NAPIRE Symposium. All this takes place in Costa Rica in the beautifully conserved biological stations of OTS.

Incoming freshmen and graduating seniors are not eligible. Students must be AMP students at LSAMP institutions. LSAMP is the Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation, a National Science Foundation program that was designed to foster achievement by minority students seeking careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Anne Ray Internship Deadline: March 1

The School for Advanced Research, Indian Arts Research Center (IARC) offers two nine-month internships (Sept. 1 – May 31) to individuals who are recent college graduates, current graduate students or junior museum professionals interested in furthering their professional

museum experience and enhancing their intellectual capacity for contributing to the expanding field of museum studies.

During the internships, the Anne Ray Resident Scholar provides mentorship and academic support to the interns.

One internship is open to an indigenous individual from the U.S. or Canada and one internship is open to any U.S. or Canadian citizen meeting the application requirements.

WSU Undergraduate Research Opportunity Data-intensive research in the environmental sciences Deadline: March 15

Healthy ecosystems are fundamentally important for human well-being. However, anthropogenic processes, such as urbanization, deforestation, and the over-exploitation of natural resources have led to widespread changes. The availability of “big data” – volumes of data not readily handled by the usual data tools and practices – and rapid development of data-intensive research offers environmental researchers greatly expanded ways to understand and study the world.

Participants must be currently registered at a two- or four-year college and cannot have received a bachelor’s degree prior to July 2015. Women, members of demographic groups traditionally underrepresented in environmental fields and students from community colleges or institutions that do not offer research opportunities for undergraduates are particularly encouraged to apply.

Students at all levels of their undergraduate work are sought for this program, and may come from any major as long as they are interested in environmental research.

Other Opportunities

College Horizons Deadline: Feb. 3

College Horizons is a non-profit organization that supports the higher education of American Indian students by providing college and graduate admissions workshops to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian students/participants from across the nation.

Two programs are offered in the summer: College Horizons is a pre-college program for American Indian high school sophomores and juniors. Graduate Horizons services college students and graduates.

Each summer, College Horizons students work with college counselors and college admissions officers in a five-day “crash course.” The individualized program helps students select colleges suitable for them to apply to, get admitted to and receive adequate financial aid.

Students research their top 10 schools; complete college essays, résumés, the Common Application and the preliminary FAFSA; and receive interviewing skills, test-taking strategies (ACT and SAT); and financial aid/scholarship information.

Native American Political Leadership Program Summer 2016 Semester Priority Deadline – Feb. 15, 2016 Final Deadline – March 1, 2016

The Native American Political Leadership Program (NAPLP) is a full scholarship for American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian students who want to take part in Semester in Washington Politics.

It is open to undergraduate and graduate students, including those who have completed their undergraduate degree but have not yet enrolled in a graduate program.

Students from all Tribes and from every part of the U.S. are welcome to apply.

There is no application fee for those applying for the NAPLP scholarship.

Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program Deadline: Feb. 27

The Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program is a paid summer internship and mentoring program for high schools juniors and seniors that is sponsored by

the American Fisheries Society (AFS). Selected students, known as Hutton Scholars, are matched and mentored by a fisheries professional to enjoy a hands-on fisheries science experience in a marine and/or freshwater setting.

Hutton Scholars who successfully complete the program receive a \$4,000 scholarship as well as valuable work experience in an exciting and rewarding field.

Holland & Knight Charitable Foundation, Inc. – Young Native Writers Essay Contest Deadline: April 15, 2016

Students are asked to write about one or more of the cultural images, symbols or art forms that have been historically developed by their community (American Indian, Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian) to communicate a particular message or value or serve a specific purpose.

Essays should be 1,200 words or less. Awards include a \$2,500 college scholarship and participation in Washington, D.C., Scholars’ Week.