



AMERICAN  
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FUND

## SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Partnerships with corporate and private donors have introduced a category of special scholarships that are being offered to American Indian students attending tribal colleges and mainstream universities. These scholarships are administered by the Fund and are generally based upon merit and demonstrated financial need.

The following special scholarships are available to students attending mainstream institutions (non-tribal colleges) for the 2009-2010 year. For more information and to determine eligibility for the American Indian College Fund scholarship programs, please review the requirements below. You must identify the scholarship program(s) you would like to be considered for by checking the appropriate box(es). Students will only be awarded **ONE** (1) scholarship, but can be considered for any/all programs.

### Mainstream Special Scholarships



#### Ford Motor Company Scholarship

Ford Motor Company is committed to supporting local and national programs to affect change, provide for those in need and improve the quality of life in all communities. Support of education at all levels continues to be Ford's highest priority. The American Indian College Fund and Ford Motor Company are pleased to announce the Ford Motor Company Scholarship. This program will award need based scholarships up to \$10,000 to deserving American Indian students who have declared majors in accounting; computer, electrical or mechanical engineering; finance; information systems; marketing or operations management.

To be eligible for the Ford Motor Scholarship, you must:

- Have at least a 3.0 grade point average;
- Have achieved sophomore status and declared a major in accounting; computer, electrical or mechanical engineering; finance; information systems; marketing or operations management.
- Be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency;
- Enroll full-time in a bachelor's degree program at mainstream institution for the 09-10 academic year;
- Have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and financial need.

I have reviewed the program description for the Ford Motor Company Scholarship; verify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements; and would like to be considered for this scholarship program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Morgan Stanley Scholars Program



Morgan Stanley, in partnership with the American Indian College Fund, will award scholarships of \$10,000 annually to outstanding American Indian students who have an interest in business and the financial services industry. Careers in the financial services industry at Morgan Stanley include information technology, investment banking, investment management, marketing, branch operations, financial advising, financial accounting, credit card services and others. Selected students may also be considered for internship opportunities with Morgan Stanley.

To be eligible to apply for the Morgan Stanley College Scholars Program you must:

- Have at least a 3.0 grade point average;
- Have an interest in business and the financial services industry.
- Enroll full-time in a bachelor's degree program at a mainstream institution or the 09-10 academic year;
- Be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency.

I have reviewed the program description for the Morgan Stanley Scholarship; verify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements; and would like to be considered for this scholarship program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_



## Nissan North America, Inc. Scholarship

Nissan has a strong corporate commitment to diversity and excellence, not only in its workforce but also in educational opportunities for minority students across North America. Through the American Indian College Fund, Nissan North America, Inc. will award scholarships to outstanding American Indian students. Selected students will receive \$5,000 annually.

To be eligible for the Nissan scholarship program you must:

- Have at least a 2.5 grade point average;
- Enroll full-time in a bachelor's degree program at a mainstream institution or the 09-10 academic year;
- Be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency;
- Have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement.

I have reviewed the program description for the Nissan North America, Inc. Scholarship Program; verify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements; and would like to be considered for this scholarship program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Sovereign Nations Scholarship Fund

The Sovereign Nations Scholarship Fund Endowment (SNSFE) is a permanent endowment established by the American Indian College Fund and primarily supported by American Indian Nations and American Indian-owned businesses. Other corporations, foundations, and individual donors have also generously contributed to this noteworthy campaign. The Fund will award \$ 2,000 scholarships to American Indian students. Upon completion of their degree students are encouraged to work for their tribe or an Indian organization to help improve the livelihood of Native people.

To be eligible for the Sovereign Nations Scholarship you must:

- Have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement by having a 3.0 or higher G.P.A.;
- Commit to working for your tribe or an Indian organization upon completion of your degree;
- Enroll full-time in a bachelor's degree program at a mainstream institution or the 09-10 academic year;
- Be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency.

I have reviewed the program description for the Sovereign Nations Scholarship Fund; verify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements; and would like to be considered for this scholarship program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## United Health Foundation Scholarship

United Health Foundation Scholarship will award \$5,000 scholarships to American Indian students attending a Mainstream University in Arizona pursuing a health related degree. Preference is given to Tribal College Graduates transferring to a Mainstream University in Arizona.

- Have at least a 3.0 grade point average
- Enrolled full-time in an Bachelor's degree program at a Arizona mainstream college or university
- Major in Health or related program
- Be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency
- Have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and financial need

I have reviewed the program description for the United Health Foundation Scholarship; verify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements; and would like to be considered for this scholarship program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Check List

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Students must submit the following documents and information to receive full and equal consideration during the selection of scholarship recipients. Only complete applications will be considered.

**Please use this area as a checklist to ensure that you are submitting all of the required materials:**

- Completed application
- Signed Authorization Form for Release of Information
- Cover sheets detailing scholarship program descriptions where you have signed and dated the selected scholarship program(s) that you are applying for
- Official college transcript(s) **\*Most recent transcript**
- Completed Financial Needs Analysis **\* To be completed by the financial aid office**
- Attach High School Transcripts **\* If you will be an entering freshman**
- 2 Short Essays. **\*Please use additional sheets and limit your response to fewer than 500 words each**
  1. How do you perceive yourself as a leader in your school or community?
  2. How will your education help the Native American community?
- Personal statement **\*Please use additional sheets and submit less than 1000 words**
  1. Describe your personal background.
  2. Describe your academic background.
  3. What are your educational and career goals?
  4. How will this scholarship help you achieve these goals?
  5. Add anything else you would like the scholarship committee to know about you.
- One recommendation form to be completed by an instructor/professor or an academic dean.
- Tribal enrollment information or proof of descendency
- Fall 2009 class schedule (when available)
- Small color photograph (Please, no photocopies)

**The application deadline for the American Indian College Fund Special Scholarship Program is May 31, 2009. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**American Indian College Fund  
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Denver, CO 80221**

Questions, contact Debra L. Reed by phone at 800-776-3863 or by e-mail to [dreed@collegefund.org](mailto:dreed@collegefund.org)

**AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND  
MAINSTREAM SCHOLARSHIP  
STUDENT APPLICATION**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address while in School: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: M F (circle one)

Tribal Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University attending Fall 2009: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Program (circle one): BA BS MA MS J.D. Ph.D. MD other \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Year in college: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Other Status: Full-time Part-time

Hometown Newspaper: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you the first person in your family to attend college? Yes No

Are you interested in internship opportunities? Yes No

List in chronological order all colleges and universities you have attended:

Institution	Year(s) attended	Degree	Major
_____	_____	_____	_____
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**Campus Involvement:** List all campus related areas in which you are currently involved (extracurricular activities, associations, sports, student clubs, academic programs, etc.) Include any leadership positions held.

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**Community Involvement:** Please list any community service and/or volunteer experience in which you have participated.

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**Scholarships and Honors:**

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**Short Essays (you must answer both questions separately. Please use additional sheets and limit your response to under 500 words each)**

1. How do you perceive yourself as a leader in your school or community?
2. How will your education help the Native American community?

**Personal statement addressing the following: (please use additional sheets and submit less than 1000 words)**

- ✓ Describe your personal background.
- ✓ Describe your academic background.
- ✓ What are your educational and career goals?
- ✓ How will this scholarship help you achieve these goals?
- ✓ Add anything else you would like the scholarship committee to know about you.

# American Indian College Fund Scholarship Recommendation Form



**To the applicant:** Please give this form to an individual who is familiar with your academic potential.  
\*Please include this form with your application materials.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**To the recommender:** The applicant named above has applied for an American Indian College Fund scholarship and has asked that you rate his or her ability, background and personality. Your cooperation in making these ratings will assist us in evaluating the applicant.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please rate (by checking) the applicant in each area listed below:

	Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	No Information
Intellectual ability					
Writing ability					
Speaking ability					
Leadership ability					
Academic preparation					
Interpersonal skills					
Willingness to learn					
Maturity					
Responsibility/dependability					
Honesty and integrity					
Motivation					

3. Comments: Include any particular strength which he or she possesses, as well as any weaknesses. We appreciate your candid appraisal. (Please use additional sheet if necessary).

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

American Indian College Fund  
Scholarship Analysis Form  
2009-2010



Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ SSN \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Period \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, which begins on \_\_\_\_\_

Our institution is on \_\_\_\_\_ Quarters, \_\_\_\_\_ Semesters, \_\_\_\_\_ Tri-mesters.

Cost of Attendance:

Campus based aid/other resources:

Tuition/fees \_\_\_\_\_ PELL Grant \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Contribution \_\_\_\_\_

Books/supplies \_\_\_\_\_ SEOG \_\_\_\_\_ Student Contribution \_\_\_\_\_

Housing/food \_\_\_\_\_ SSIG \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarships \_\_\_\_\_

Childcare \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Loan \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Benefits \_\_\_\_\_

Personal/misc. \_\_\_\_\_ Perkins \_\_\_\_\_ Res/Guard Benefits \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_ Work-study \_\_\_\_\_ Stafford Loan \_\_\_\_\_

Fee Waiver \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL COST \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL RESOURCES \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Financial Need (Total Cost less Total Resources) is: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Aid Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

American Indian College Fund  
Scholarship Department  
8333 Greenwood Blvd  
Denver, Colorado 80221  
303-426-1200 (FAX)

## Authorization Form

I, (print your full name here) \_\_\_\_\_, understand that I am applying for the **American Indian College Fund Special Scholarship Program**. Permission is hereby given to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic record and other requested information for consideration for these scholarships. I understand that this application will be available only to qualified people who need to see it in the course of their duties. I also give my permission, if selected as a scholarship recipient, to use my name and/or photograph in any promotional or publicity activities directly related to the American Indian College Fund.

I also affirm that the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_