

ABORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Introduction and Eligibility

Please carefully read the introduction and eligibility information below.

About the Scholarship

This scholarship program is designed to recognize leaders in the Aboriginal community by offering eight scholarships to Aboriginal students attending post-secondary institutions. Two eligible students from each of Treaty 6, 7, 8 and the Métis community in Alberta will be awarded with a \$1,000 scholarship.

Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants must be currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution and:

- Treaty applicants must be born in Alberta.
- Métis applicants must either be a member of the Métis Nation of Alberta Association or an Alberta Métis Settlement *or* must have been living in Alberta for at least the past three months with a Métis membership card from another province.

Apply

The application form is available online at <http://www.altalink.ca/aboriginalscholarships> and may be submitted by email or by mail. A transcript, either official or unofficial, and a photocopy of your status card must be submitted for the application to be considered. The deadline for receipt of the completed application is October 14, 2016.

Application

To apply for the scholarship, applicants must submit a completed application form, a photocopy of their status card or Métis membership card and arrange to have their transcripts sent to AltaLink.

By email: aboriginalrelations@altalink.ca

By mail:

AltaLink
ATTN: Aboriginal Scholarship
2611 - 3rd Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta T2A 7W7

Transcripts

A transcript, either official or unofficial will be accepted.

Official transcripts must be requested by you directly from your post-secondary institution. Official transcripts must be received by AltaLink directly from your post-secondary institution no later than October 14, 2016.

Unofficial transcripts must be obtained by you through your post-secondary institution and received by AltaLink no later than October 14, 2016.

AltaLink will not be held liable for late, lost, delayed, not received, damaged, misdirected, incomplete, stolen, fraudulent, or illegible applications.

Scholarship Selection

Recipients will be selected in January.

Students will be selected for the awards based on financial need, scholastic achievement, community involvement and career and life goals.

Be sure to complete all the required questions and provide your transcripts and a photocopy of your status card to AltaLink. A complete application will increase your chances of selection.

Privacy

The information you are providing to AltaLink is being collected for the purpose of choosing a scholarship recipient. AltaLink will not rent or sell your personal information to any third party.

Information held by AltaLink will be protected in accordance with AltaLink's privacy policies. If you have any questions, please contact us at aboriginalrelations@altalink.ca or at (780) 822-7110.

Centennial Scholarships

AltaLink also offers Centennial Scholarships to rural Albertans. The Centennial Scholarship was launched in 2005 at post-secondary institutions throughout Alberta. The awards are available to students who live in a rural Alberta community and are attending one of the following schools:

- **Bow Valley College**
- **Lethbridge College**
- **Olds College**
- **Red Deer College**
- **Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)**
- **Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT)**

To learn more about AltaLink's Centennial Scholarships and information on eligibility visit www.altalink.ca/centennial scholarships

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please provide multiple methods of contact (mailing address, phone number and e-mail address) and notify us of any changes to your contact information via email at aboriginalrelations@altalink.ca.

Name:
E-mail address:
Date of birth:

Address while attending school

Address:	
City:	Province:
Postal Code:	Phone: ()

Permanent Address

Address:	
City:	Province:
Postal Code:	Phone: ()

Please provide the following:

Treaty 6, 7, and 8

Treaty:	<input type="radio"/> 6	<input type="radio"/> 7	<input type="radio"/> 8
Treaty Number:			
Band Number:			

Métis

Member Organization:		
MNA – Zone:		
Settlement:		
Other Métis organization:		
Membership number:		
Have you been a resident of Alberta for at least the past 3 months?	<input type="radio"/> Yes	<input type="radio"/> No

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Please tell us about your education history.

Current Post-Secondary

Current post-secondary institution:	
Program of Study:	
Current Year:	Anticipated Date of Completion:

Past Post-Secondary (Optional)

Past post-secondary institution:	
Program of Study:	Date of Completion:

* Please remember to attach your transcript(s) to the application

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please tell us your financial situation.

Employment

Are you presently employed?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes	If yes, what are your approximate monthly net earnings?
<input type="radio"/> No	If no, when was your last job?

Sources of Funding

Have you applied for band funding or other source of funding?	
<input type="radio"/> Yes	If yes, how much will you receive? If yes, from which band or other source of funding?
<input type="radio"/> No	If no, please explain why not.

Income and Expenses

Please describe your financial situation

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, FUTURE GOALS AND ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

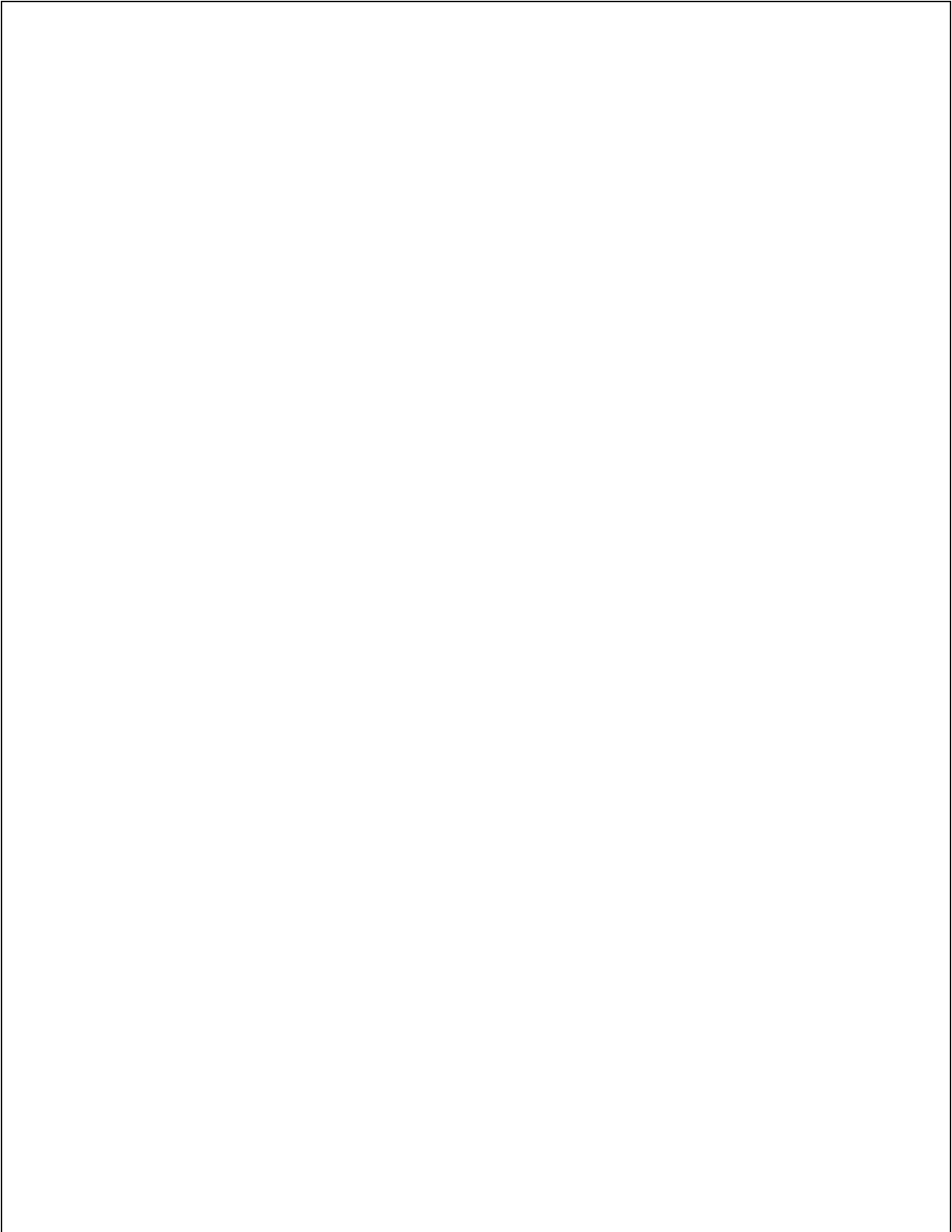
Showing that you are dedicated to your community and its betterment are very important to our selection committee so please be sure to include all your community and volunteer work.

Your educational and future goals are also very important to us. Our selection committee wants to be certain that you are serious about your education and the career path you have taken.

If you wish to hand in additional pages addressing these questions, please feel free to do so.

Volunteer work and community involvement:

Please describe any involvement you have had volunteering or working in your community placing a focus on Aboriginal initiatives.



Future goals:

Please describe your educational goals, your career goals and your life goals.

Additional comments (optional)

Please take the opportunity and provide any additional comments below.

How did you hear about this scholarship?

We would like to know how you heard about this scholarship so we can better target our communication efforts to ensure all Aboriginal students are aware of this resource.

*Please check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AltaLink Website | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Secondary Institution | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Word of Mouth | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AltaLink Representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Article (Please Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AltaLink Email Broadcast | _____ |

Application Checklist

I have included:

- A completed application form
- Official or unofficial grade transcript from current post-secondary institution or most current high school report card
- A copy of your Indian status card or Métis membership card

Acknowledgement

The personal information in this form is collected pursuant to the Personal Information Protection Act of Alberta. Your personal information will be used to determine your eligibility and process your application for the award for which you have applied, and for uses consistent with this purpose. If you have any questions about the collection or use of this information, please contact an AltaLink representative at (780) 822-7110.

Do you consent to AltaLink retaining your personal data for the purposes of alerting you to the following year's Scholarship campaign timelines, with an invitation to apply and link to the current application package? Yes No

Declaration of Applicant:

All the information I have provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. By submitting this application I recognize that my application will not be considered complete until I arrange to have my transcripts and a photocopy of my status card sent to:

AltaLink
ATTN: Aboriginal Scholarship
2611 - 3rd Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta T2A 7W7

Name:	Date:
Signature:	