



**2012 American Indian Chamber
Education Fund
Application**

**American Indian Chamber Education Fund - a 501(c)3 Non-Profit 20-3798134
Scholarship Award Application**

Purpose of Award:

The purpose of this scholarship award is to supplement a Native American student's income in order to pay for their educational expenses. Scholarships are awarded as follows: one \$2,500 award and five \$1,500 awards.

Eligibility Requirements:

An applicant must be:

1. An American Indian verified by the following:
(1) person is on federal or state recognized tribal roll and identified by a tribal enrollment card, or (2) person who has official letter from a federal or state recognized tribe or agency stating tribal membership or Indian blood
2. A resident of California attending an institution of higher learning within the United States, or any tribal member attending an institution of higher learning within California.
3. Recognized as a full-time degree candidate at an accredited institution of higher learning (4 year university, graduate school, junior college, or trade/vocational school).

Application Procedure:

The following application must be completed in its entirety. Any incomplete applications will be automatically disqualified. One copy must be submitted to the following address no later than October 19, 2012

Attention: AICC Education Fund

American Indian Chamber of Commerce, 555 West Fifth Street, 31st Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90013

Application Contents:

1. Completed application form.
2. Documentation of American Indian ethnicity as described above.
3. Evidence of admission to an accredited college.
4. A copy of your latest official transcripts (High school transcripts if the student has not attended college yet)
5. One letter of recommendation from one of the following: teachers, advisors, tribal government representatives and/or civic leaders.
6. An educational commitment essay describing your chosen field of study, your educational goals, career goals, involvement in the Indian community and how this scholarship will help you in furthering your education.

9. Classification for the upcoming term:

Undergraduate - Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Graduate - 1st Year 2nd Year 3rd Year 4th Year

10. Field of study: _____

11. Degree sought _____

12. Expected graduation date: _____

13. Full time student: Yes No

14. Have you attached evidence that you are enrolled or have been accepted into the degree program listed above: Yes No

15. Which system does the school use: Semester Trimester Quarter

16. Indicate the official start date of the upcoming term: _____

Please include this form and all other materials required for this scholarship in a single envelope/package. **Incomplete applications or missing materials will be grounds for automatic disqualification.** This scholarship packet will be scored on a 100 point scale with a possible extra 10 points awarded to Native American business students. The packet will be graded as follows:

30 points - Official Transcripts

20 points - One letter of recommendation

50 points - Educational commitment essay

100 Points - Total

10 points - Extra points awarded to Native American Business Students

110 points - Highest possible total score