

## AU FIRST NATION COLLEGES STUDENT AWARDS

**Donor:** Frits Pannekoek and Anonymous Donor

**Value:** Up to \$2000 (Tuition costs associated with three, 3 credit Athabasca University courses)

**Number:** Three per competition, two competitions per year

**Deadlines:** July 1st (for start date of September 1) and November 1st (for start date of January 1) \*Deadlines are flexible to ensure maximum accessibility to the award.

### Description of Award

The AU First Nation Colleges Student Awards are intended to recognize the achievement of First Nation College students who wish to pursue studies at AU (Athabasca University), yet face financial barriers that inhibit their ability to do so. Any student at a First Nation College is able to apply, although preference will be given to students from Red Crow College. Students may reapply and receive this award more than once.

### Conditions of Eligibility

An applicant must meet the following criteria to be eligible to apply for this award:

- Be a current AU undergraduate student (degree program, certificate or unclassified).
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Demonstrate their desire to achieve their educational goals.
- Submit the completed application, and any supporting documents, to the Student Awards Unit, Office of the Registrar at AU.
- GPA of 2.0 or higher at Red Crow College (or other First Nation College within Alberta).
- GPA of 2.0 or higher at AU if reapplying for this award.

### Application Submission Deadline

July 1st and November 1st annually \*Flexible\*

### Application Instructions

Submit your application here: [Student Awards Application Submission](#) or navigate back to award listing to submit.

### Award Notification

The applicant selected to be a recipient of the Athabasca University (AU) – First Nation Colleges Student Awards will be notified by the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University. The tuition credit will be placed on the student account. The registration process must be in place by August 10 and December 10, respectively.

### Questions?

Visit the Athabasca University Awards website located at: <http://www.athabascau.ca/registrar/studawrds.php>  
Email your inquiries to: [awardsinfo@athabascau.ca](mailto:awardsinfo@athabascau.ca) or call: 1-800-788-9041, extension 6197 or 780-675-6197.



## APPLICATION FORM FOR AU FIRST NATION COLLEGES STUDENT AWARDS

Before completing this application, please ensure that you meet the eligibility criteria and that you can demonstrate the qualities of the selection criteria.

### A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Athabasca University Student Identification Number:

Social Insurance Number:

Last Name:

First Name:

Middle Name:

Mailing Address:

Mailing Address 2:

City:

Province:

Postal Code:

Country:

Primary Telephone Number:

Alternate Telephone Number:

Email Address:

### B. DETAILS OF FIRST NATION HERITAGE

Use the below space to provide information about your First Nation Ancestry (examples: Status Card Number, First nation or community, commitments/contributions to community, and so forth):

### C. POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION INFORMATION

Complete all the information requested below. Information will be verified with your student record and other sources, if required.

Have you completed the AU Undergraduate General Application form? No  Yes

Have you graduated from Red Crow Community College? No  Yes

If 'NO' which First Nations College did you graduate from?

Date of graduation?



Have you attached a copy of your official college transcript? No  Yes

What is your college GPA?

Use the below space to provide an explanation of what the personal benefit to you would be to take courses at Athabasca University:

**D. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Are you employed? No  Yes

If yes, does your employer pay for your tuition or subsidize your education? No  Yes

If yes, use the space below to explain the percentage your education is subsidized and to provide a brief explanation of the tuition payment/subsidization arrangement that you have with your employer:

Provide the number and ages of the dependent children for which you are legally responsible and that are living with you:

Provide an explanation of other dependents for which you are legally responsible and that are living with you:

Following is a list of allowable monthly costs. Select the marital status that best describes your situation.



Allowable Monthly Costs		
Your Household Status	Monthly Allowable Expenses Rent/Mortgage, Utilities, Food, Transportation	Total Monthly Costs you are claiming – Tick one line only
Single student living at home	\$539	\$539
Single student living away	\$1,128	\$1,128
Single parent – one child	\$1,991	\$1,991
Single parent – two children	\$2,583	\$2,583
Single parent – three children	\$3,175	\$3,175
Married/common law – no children	\$2,174	\$2,174
Married/common law – one child	\$2,766	\$2,766
Married/common law – two children	\$3,358	\$3,358
Married/common law – three children	\$3,950	\$3,950
For each additional child beyond three, add <b>\$ 592</b>	Type the <b>monthly</b> additional child amount in the cell to the right (number of additional children x <b>\$ 592</b> )	
Child care/babysitting	Type the <b>monthly</b> amount paid for child care/babysitting in the cell to the right using one of the two formulas below: Allowable child care/ babysitting cost is \$ 365 per month per child without receipts Actual child care/babysitting costs may be considered with receipts up to a maximum of \$ 1,000 per month per child.	



	<b>Provide receipts with application.</b>	
Child support payment	Type the <b>monthly</b> amount of payment in the cell to the right	
Tuition and education fees	Determine the amount paid for tuition and education fees in the last year and divide by 12. Type the <b>monthly</b> amount in the cell to the right	
Education supplies, equipment	Calculate the amount paid for education supplies/equipment in the last year and divide by 12. Type the <b>monthly</b> amount in the cell to the right.	
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>Add</b> the applicable total household status amount, additional child allowance, child care - babysitting, child support payment, tuition, education fees, and supplies/equipment costs and <b>type the total in the cell to the right.</b>	

Provide a **monthly** dollar value for the income resources listed in the table below (tab to adjacent column to enter amount). The monthly dollar value can be determined by dividing any annual gross amounts by 12:

<b>Monthly Income or Resources</b>	
Wages or salaries net income for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Spouse's or partners monthly net income for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	



Assistance from others for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Band funding for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Training allowance for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Employment insurance (EI) benefits for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Social Assistance benefits for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Assured income for the severely handicapped (AISH) for the previous 12 months. Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Workers' compensation benefits for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Alimony and/or child support for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Disability benefit: for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Orphans benefit for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Federal student loans for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Provincial student loans for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Scholarships, grants, etc. for the previous 12 months: Divide by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
Other monthly resources (children's benefits, pensions, rental property, business). Do not include CTB, GST Credit, and Income Tax refunds for the previous 12 months. Type in the shaded box below to list other resource(s) and amounts.	
Divide by total other resources by 12 and enter the <b>monthly</b> amount in the space to the right:	
<b>Total monthly income or resources</b>	



Provide an explanation of resources available to you that could potentially assist with funding your education (savings in bank, retirement savings plan, assets, and so forth):

The following documentation will help support your application and may be requested prior to an award being issued:

A federal and/or provincial student finance Notice of Assessment(s) for the current term required if you received government student loans

A recent Revenue Canada Notice of Assessment

A recent Employment Insurance or Social Assistance statement required if applicable to your application

#### **E. REQUIRED CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE**

I certify that I will provide a copy of either my most recent Revenue Canada Notice of Assessment (NOA) or a copy of a Revenue Canada Option C printout, and a copy of any applicable student loan notice of assessment letter(s), and a copy of any applicable Employment Insurance or Social Assistance statements, if requested by the Student Awards Unit. I understand this application will be considered incomplete, and thus ineligible for final approval, if the requested documents of proof, as stated above are not received.

I certify that the information provided in this application and in the accompanying documentation is true, accurate and complete. I authorize the provision of any information held or to be held by Athabasca University, and others relating to my application, including but not limited to personal evaluations and transcripts, to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University and the Selection Committee chosen for this bursary. I understand and accept that: (1) such information will be used by the Student Awards Unit and the bursary selection committee of Athabasca University for the purposes of selection, for statistical analysis, and to facilitate ongoing administrative correspondence with applicants, necessary to further the objective of the Athabasca University Student Awards Program and to improve selection process; (2) the Athabasca University will not release application evaluation or the results of the evaluation process, except to inform me if my application has been accepted for an award; and (3) for all questions regarding my personal information held on file by the Athabasca University, including updates thereof, I may reach an Athabasca University representative through the contact information provided within this bursary package. Finally, if my application is selected for this bursary, I will: (1) provide a thank you letter to the Student Awards Unit of Athabasca University to be forwarded to the donor of the bursary.

Name of Applicant:

Date:

Your personal information is collected under the authority of section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. F-25 and the *Post-Secondary Learning Act*, S.A. 2003, c. P-19.5.