

# ***Plateau Native American Scholarship*** **Washington State University**

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Applicant must be an enrolled member of one of the following tribes: Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Kalispel Tribe, Klamath Tribe, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Nez Perce Tribe, Spokane Tribe of Indians, Yakama Indian Nation; OR show proof of ancestry from a tribe or tribes known as Plateau Salishan, Sahaptian, or Kootenai. Enrolled members of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs who are of Sahaptian descent are also eligible to apply with documentation verifying their Sahaptian ancestry.
2. High school applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75.
3. Transfer and current WSU student applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5.
4. Graduate student applicants must have been accepted to graduate school.
5. Preference given to students pursuing undergraduate degrees and to students pursuing a field of study within the College of Liberal Arts.
6. Recipient must enroll for a minimum of six credit hours per semester (five credit hours per semester if graduate student).
7. Financial need, academic performance, and essay statement will determine selection.

## **Procedure:**

1. Complete the Plateau Native American Scholarship application and essay.
2. Attach copy of tribal enrollment card OR Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood OR other documentation verified by a tribe classified as Plateau Salishan, Sahaptian, or Kootenai.
3. Complete the Washington State University admissions process as a degree-seeking student.
4. Complete and send in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA).
5. Complete the WSU Academic Scholarship Application (*optional*—to ensure eligibility for additional scholarship support).
6. Application period remains open.

## ***Submit application materials to:***

**Office of Scholarship Services**  
Chio Flores  
380 Lighty Student Services Bldg.  
Washington State University  
PO Box 641069  
Pullman, WA 99164-1069  
(509) 335-1059

## ***Questions? Please contact:***

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*Amount and number of awards will vary. This scholarship is renewable for undergraduate students and for continued scholarship support students must complete a minimum of six credits with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5.*

*Graduate students must reapply each year. Awards to graduate students will be made based on funds available.*

***Plateau Native American Scholarship Application***  
**Washington State University**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: : \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

WSU ID Number or Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Enrollment/Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tribal Ancestry**

Language classification: \_\_\_\_\_ Sahaptian \_\_\_\_\_ Plateau Salishan \_\_\_\_\_ Kootenai

**Document Attached (Copy):**

\_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Enrollment Card \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate Degree of Indian Blood \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Intended Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree you are pursuing: \_\_\_\_\_ Bachelors \_\_\_\_\_ Masters \_\_\_\_\_ Doctorate

Date you submitted Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY STATEMENT:**

Please submit a written statement of 500 words or less answering the following questions:

1. What are your career goals and why have you selected these goals?
2. How do you plan to finance your education?
3. What have you contributed and how do you hope to contribute in the future to the development and progress of your tribe?

**Application period remains open**

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Date received: \_\_\_\_\_ WSU Admissions Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_

WSU Scholarship Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation attached: \_\_\_\_\_

FAFSA Information Received: \_\_\_\_\_