

TOP RESOURCES FOR HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING

- 1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA):** studentaid.gov Most schools and scholarship programs will require you to complete this application.
Open after October 1st
- 2. Contact your tribe's education department** for possible higher education funding assistance.
- 3. Yurok Indian Housing Authority**
http://www.yurokhousing.com/programs/rental_programs/student_rental_housing_assistance/index.php
Assists full-time students with safe and affordable housing. Rent cannot exceed 25% of income. Local tribal apartment building and assistance out of area.
- 4. AAAE Native American Scholarship** offers American Association of Airport Executives, https://www.aaae.org/aaae/AAAMemberResponsive/About_AAAE/AAAE_Foundation/Copy_of_Scholarship_Details.aspx is for Native American undergraduate students with a junior class standing or higher or graduate students who are enrolled in an aviation program, and have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Due February
- 5. Association on American Indian Affairs Scholarship** <https://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships.html>
The Association on American Indian Affairs is the oldest non-profit serving Indian Country protecting sovereignty, preserving culture, educating youth and building capacity.
Available May 15 Deadline June 30
- 6. American Indian Services** Available to undergraduate, or technical school students attending school for full or part-time. Must be an enrolled tribal members. www.americanindianservices.org
- 7. American Indian College Fund:** www.collegefund.org Several scholarships offered through the *Full Circle Scholarship* for American Indian students attending tribal colleges and mainstream universities.
Open Jan 1 to May 31
- 8. American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC):** <https://www.aigcs.org/> A variety of scholarships offered.
Available to Native American graduate or undergraduate students. Opens January 1 Deadlines vary
- 9. American Indian Science and Engineering Society:** www.aises.org Applicants must be a member of AISES (apply on website) and majoring in math, science, business, computer science, engineering, or an environmental field. Various scholarship options. Deadline mostly March 31st but may vary.
- 10. Catching the Dream:** <http://catchingthedream.org/> Provides supplementary scholarship funding for students who have received financial assistance from other sources. Selected students guaranteed fall, spring, and summer funding for four years and beyond, should they go on to earn graduate degrees.”
- 11. Cobell Scholarship:** cobellscholar.org Vocational, undergraduate, graduate or professional level scholarships awarded to Native students via AIGC. Summer (deadline Dec 15) and academic year (deadline March 31) awards available. Vocational deadlines vary

12. **Del Norte Scholarship Foundation:** <http://www.dnhigh.org/counseling> Applications for students graduating from Del Norte schools. Applications available online at the DNHS Counseling Office website or at the DNHS counseling office. Available Mid-March Deadline
13. **Humboldt Area Foundation:** www.hafoundation.org “Over 150 scholarship funds available to students in the Humboldt area. Scholarship awards range from \$250 to \$7,500.00.” Open January to March
14. **Indian Health Services (IHS) Scholarships:** <http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/> Offers three scholarships to qualified American Indian and Alaska Native candidates. For additional information please contact (301) 443-6197. Deadline March 28
15. **Intertribal Timber Council—Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program:** www.itcnet.org Dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing a higher education in forestry and wildland fire participation. Deadline March
16. **Maggie Griffin Scholarship:** <https://humboldt.academicworks.com/> For students at Humboldt State University. Must be of Yurok descent in any one of the following tribes: Yurok Tribe, Big Lagoon Rancheria, Blue Lake Rancheria, Trinidad Rancheria, Resighini Rancheria. Deadline March
17. **The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development—American Indian Business Scholarship Program:** <http://scholarships.ncaied.org/> Several scholarships given to students majoring in business who are currently in their junior, senior, or master level of study. Deadline usually June
18. **National Health Service Corps:** <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/index.html> Pays tuition, fees, other educational costs, and provides a living stipend in return for a commitment to work at least 2 years at an NHSC-approved site in a medically underserved community.
19. **National Indian Education Association:** www.niea.org Has a large variety of listings for Native American graduate and undergraduate, technical, trade etc. students, including webinars. Opportunities in several fields of study
20. **Nils E. Hasselberg Indian Scholarship:** <http://www.itccinc.org/> Must be of American Indian descent and reside in CA. Provided by the Inter-Tribal Council of California Inc. Deadline July
21. **Partnership with American Indians:** nativepartnership.org Offers undergraduate and graduate scholarships and a tools for success resource Deadline March 1
22. **Rodney T. Mathews, Jr. Memorial Scholarship:** <http://www.morongonation.org/content/scholarship> Awards up to \$10,000 to assist enrolled CA Indians in pursuing their educational goals June 1 Deadline
23. **United Indian Health Services** offers both the Cheryl Yarbrough Memorial Scholarship towards Medical Assisting or Phlebotomy, offered anytime, or the H.D. “Timm” Williams Scholarships, deadline April, to support applicants who reside in UIHS service areas of Del Norte and Humboldt Counties. Open to 12th grade or college. Can only be awarded once. <http://unitedindianhealthservices.org/scholarships/>

Additional Sources

University and College Financial Aid Offices: Any school you apply to can provide valuable information about financial aid and scholarship assistance.

Northern California Indian Development Council: <https://ncidc.org/scholarships-native-american-students> Offers scholarship links and information for American Indian students to apply and pay for college.

American Indian College Fund offers Tips to Fill Out Your Scholarship Application These tips can be used for their own Full Circle Scholarship application or other scholarships. <https://collegefund.org/blog/tips-fill-scholarship-application/>

A College Going Guidebook: American Indian College Fund offers a relevant guide to empower Native students to prepare, plan and successfully take the first steps of their higher education collegefund.org/native-pathways

“Paying for College: Student Resource Guide” by Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard: <https://roybal-allard.house.gov/students/> *Includes scholarships, internships, fellowships, and websites*

www.fastweb.com or Scholarships.com or Bigfuture.collegeboard.org or Chegg.com *Use these links to identify scholarships that apply to you. Requires website registration.*

Affordable Colleges Online: [www.http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/financial-aid-for-minorities/](http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/financial-aid-for-minorities/)
“Explore the different types of financial assistance available; learn where to find and access scholarship money; get tips and recommendations from a financial aid expert; and find a list of various resources for support and additional information on paying for higher education.”

www.finaid.org *Comprehensive information on scholarships and financial aid with many additional links*

www.back2college.com Many website links for financial aid resources for re-entry students.

Yurok Higher Education Office! If you would like any help drafting essays or responses for scholarships, our Higher Education staff can help assist you. Please call: (707) 460-6910 ext. 1508