



## Kenaitze Indian Tribe Education and Career Development

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### HIGHER EDUCATION

The Higher Education Scholarship is for the specific purpose of financially assisting eligible applicants who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, and are pursuing a Baccalaureate degree. Eligibility is based on membership to a federally recognized tribe and established financial need by applying for Federal Aid.

Deadline Dates for Application:    **FALL – JUNE 1**                      **SPRING/WINTER – DECEMBER 1**

Please provide copies of the documentation listed below. If copies of the documentation are not submitted with this application or the application is incomplete, **your application will be return to you.**

- Application form **completely filled out and signed**
- Budget Forecast form
- Signed Higher Education Program Guidelines
- Verification of Indian Ancestry
- Proof of selective service enrollment (for eligible males)
- Letter of Acceptance to school you are attending
- Letter stating your goals and education plans
- Driver's License/State ID
- Social Security Card
- Completed FAFSA Application
- Official** transcripts of high school or college

Please call for an appointment after completing the application along with all documentation.

Thank you,

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## Higher Education Application

<b>Application Deadlines</b>	Fall – June 1
Please indicate the deadline you are applying for:	Spring – December 1    Year: 20 ____

### General

E-mail:
Contact Number while at school:

Last Name	First Name	MI	Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip
Native Corporation	Native Tribe	SSN	DOB
Marital Status: Single   Married   Divorced   Separated		Phone number:	
Are you a dependent of a deceased or disabled war veteran?    Yes          No			
Are you a veteran?    Yes          No		If yes, have you applied for veterans benefits?   Y   N	
Name of dependents		Relationship to self	Age

## Education

Highest grade in secondary school completed		Highest grade in college completed		
Name of High School		Years attended From: To:		Graduation Date
High School Address	High School City	High School Zip	Date of Graduation/GED	
College or University	Address	Years	Major/Courses	
Financial Office Contact #		Financial Office Fax #		Financial Office Email
College/University Entering	School Address	School City	School State	School Zip
School year is divided into: Semesters Quarters		Have you qualified for admission? Yes No		
Have you been accepted for admission? Yes No		Date classes begin	Major/Field of Study	
Classification: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate				
Degree and Certificate seeking: 2 year program 4 year program				

## Financial Information

Personal Estimate				
	Savings	Earnings during school yr.	From parents	Total
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester/Quarter				
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester/Quarter				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester/Quarter				
4 <sup>th</sup> Semester/Quarter				
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$</b>
List the Scholarship aids you have applied for:				
Name	Amount applied for	Amount awarded	Date awarded	

If you attended college previously, list the scholarship aid you received from ALL sources			
Source	Amount		School Year
Budget Statement: If the budget is prepared before or at the beginning of the school year, estimate expenses for the whole school year, or if for one or two quarters or one semester list the expenses accordingly.			
	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester/Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester/Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester/Quarter
A. Tuition			
B. Fees			
C. Meals			
D. Room			
E. Books/Supplies			
F. Misc. Personal			
G. Transportation			
<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>Total Amount Requested</b>			

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian (required if applicant is underage)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
KIT Education and Career Development Staff

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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## Budget Forecast

- This form should be completed only after receiving results from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- The first page of this form is to be completed by the student. The second page should be completed by the school Financial Aide Officer.
- Once this form has been filled out in its entirety, the complete form should be mailed or faxed back to Kenaitze Indian Tribe Attention: KIT Education and Career Development.

### GENERAL

Last Name	First Name	MI	Phone Number	Student ID	
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code	
Marital Status	Single	Married	Divorced	Separated	Widow (er)
Number of Dependents:		College/University			
Major/Emphasis			Forecasted Graduation Date:		
I have earned _____ credits to date. I plan to enroll for _____ credits this term.					
I give permission for the school listed above to give my financial information to the Kenaitze Indian Tribe's Educational, Employment and Training Department.					
Applicant's Signature _____			Date _____		

**BUDGET FORECAST**

<b>*****This section should be completed by the school Financial Aide Officer*****</b>			
Forecast for term beginning: _____ and ending: _____			
<b>Anticipated Resources</b>		<b>Anticipated Expenses</b>	
Alaska Native Scholarship	\$	Tuition	\$
BEOG	\$	Fees	\$
College/Univ. Scholarship	\$	Dorm room deposit	\$
Parent Contribution	\$	Rent	\$
Private Scholarship	\$	Board	\$
Salary/part-time employment	\$	Meals	\$
SEOG	\$	Books	\$
Social Security Administration	\$	Supplies	\$
State Student	\$	Tools	\$
Student Contribution	\$	<b><u>Transportation (itemize)</u></b>	
Tuition Grant (Alaska)	\$		\$
Veterans Administration	\$		\$
Vocational Rehabilitation	\$		\$
Work Study Scholarship	\$		\$
Workforce Investment	\$	Total transportation expenses	\$
<b><u>Federal Resources</u></b>		Other expenses	\$
Federal Pell Grants	\$	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	
FSEOG	\$	Subtract TOTAL RESOURCES	\$
FWS	\$	<b>TOTAL NEED from BIA</b>	
Perkins Loans	\$		
Stafford Loans	\$		
SLS	\$		
Other resources	\$		
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES</b>	<b>\$</b>		

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Financial Aide Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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### HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDELINES

Kahtnuht'ana Dena'ina Values

*'Education: passing down cultural knowledge and traditions and supporting formal education'*

#### Eligibility

- The Kenaitze Indian Tribe's Higher Education Grant Program is for the specific purpose of financially assisting eligible applicants who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, and are pursuing a Baccalaureate degree.
- The purpose of these guidelines is to set forth procedures and requirements to govern the awarding of higher education grants as administered by the Kenaitze Indian Tribe under contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
- To be eligible for a grant, an applicant must be:
  1. Member of Kenaitze Indian Tribe or a Federally Recognized Tribe who has first sought funding from their own tribe or village.
  2. Eligible students who demonstrate a need as determined by the college or university by applying for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. (FAFSA).
- All students must have a completed financial aid packet as follows:
  1. A KIT Higher Education application on file
  2. Copies of ID and Social Security Card, for males proof of selective service enrollment
  3. A letter of acceptance from college or university
  4. Completed Budget Forecast

5. If a continuing student, official grade transcripts from previous semester; or where applicable high school transcripts.

- Continuing undergraduate applicants who meet the academic requirements will be funded first.

All other undergraduate students will be funded on first-come-first-serve basis until all funds are expended.

- Summer school students may be funded if funds are available based upon the following priorities.

1. Seniors who need summer school to graduate

2. Attendance in order to keep campus housing during summer months

- Graduate students may be funded if funds are available and all other resources have been exhausted.
- Grant application will be received on a continuous basis, however funds are granted on availability of finances and completion of paperwork.

### **Academic Requirements**

The following requirements for academic progress will be used to determine continuation of funding under the KIT's Higher Education Grant Program:

- Freshmen must maintain a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average (GPA) with no less than 12 full time credits per semester.
- Sophomore, Junior and Senior students must maintain a minimum of 2.5 GPA for a recommended 15 credit hours per semester/quarter with no less than 12 credit hours as a minimum.

### **Academic Suspension**

- All students will be required to submit a transcript or grade report of each term's academic progress to the KIT's Social Services Office. Students who do not meet the minimum academic requirements for one term will be placed on academic probation during the next term. Notification of this action will be made to students by letter. If substantial progress is not made during that term, the student's funding may be suspended.



- Once a student's funding has been suspended, the student will not be considered for future funding UNTIL THE STUDENT THROUGH OTHER FUNDING SOURCES earns a minimum of 12 college credits or equivalent, with a 3.0 (C average) for that term from the college in which he/she is enrolled.

**Notification of Award**

- The KIT Higher Education Grant Program office shall notify all applicants in writing within 30 days after all required paperwork is found.
- Notification shall specify the amount of the award.

**Payment of the Award**

- Payments shall be made to the financial aid office at the college or university the student is attending.
- If a student does not enter or drops from the institution, the institution shall refund *all* remaining funds to the Kenaitze Indian Tribe.

**Recommendations**

- All applicants must complete and submit a financial aid packet to the KIT Higher Education Grant Program as soon as possible to enhance their funding possibilities.
- All students must send or have the college send the grade transcripts as soon as possible after each term so as not to delay next term's funding.
- All students are encouraged to communicate any problems encountered which may affect his/her education to the KIT Higher Education Grant Program Officer in order that necessary assistance may be given or procedures implemented that will improve the student's chance of success.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read the agreed terms and conditions provided above.  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 KIT Education and Career Development Staff

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date