



# Native American Scholastic Award Application

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(Please Print or Type)

Last Name		First	Middle	
Permanent Street Address		City	State	Zip Code
Campus Street Address		City	State	Zip Code
CMU Identification # _____		Home Phone (____) _____		
Date of Birth _____		Cell Phone (____) _____		
Major _____		Cumulative Grade Point Average _____		
Year of Expected Graduation _____		Tribal Affiliation _____		

Applying for which award category \_\_\_\_\_

- Category 1: Admission to CMU as a first-time freshman or transfer student.
- Category 2: Continuing student at CMU.
- Category 3: Admission to CMU as a first-time graduate student.
- Category 4: Non-traditional student (i.e. over 25 years old) admitted to CMU as an undergraduate or transfer student.

**Please Attach:**

- Resume
- Essay (double spaced, 12 font, two page max.) describing your future goals for promoting Native American culture and how a college education will help you achieve these goals.
- A “thank you” letter addressed to the sponsor of the scholarship: Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
  - Suggestions of what to share in your letter:
    - Plans for your degree/major/minor.
    - How this scholarship will impact you, make a difference during your time at CMU, help your educational and professional pursuits.
    - You plans, hopes and dreams after college.
    - Why you chose your area of study.

I hereby apply for the Native American Scholastic Award and affirm to the accuracy of the information supplied on this form and attachments. Further, I authorize Central Michigan University to release information concerning this application and/or transcript to the selection committee. If I receive an award, CMU’s public relations department has my permission to release non-confidential information and a photo of the award presentation to the media.

Students Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## The Native American Scholastic Award

The Native American Scholastic Award is a merit-based award given to a Native American student who has been admitted to Central Michigan University for the first time or is already attending the university.

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### Award Disbursement

Full disbursement of the scholarship will be based on enrollment of 12 undergraduate credits or nine graduate credits in the fall, spring, or summer semesters. Students enrolled less than full-time will receive the scholarship on a prorated basis: 100% for full-time status; 75% for three-quarter status; 50% for half-time status; 25% for one-quarter time status. The scholarship must be used in the academic year for which it was awarded. On campus and College of Extended Learning enrollment will be considered.

Please direct questions to the Native American Office at 989-774-2508.

**Award Categories:** (Awards will be given in four categories)

Category 1: Admission to CMU as a first-time freshman or transfer student.

Category 2: Continuing student at CMU.

Category 3: Admission to CMU as a first-time graduate student.

Category 4: Non-traditional student (i.e. over 25 years old) admitted to CMU as an undergraduate or transfer student.

### Eligibility Requirements:

CMU students who meet the following criteria are encouraged to apply for the Native American Scholastic Award.

- A minimum GPA of:
  - 2.5 for first-time freshmen, transfer, or continuing undergraduates
  - 3.0 for graduate students
- Participate in Native American culture and/or school and community activities

### Application Process:

- Resume
- Essay (double spaced, 12 font, two page max.) describing your future goals for promoting Native American culture and how a college education will help you achieve these goals.
- One letter of recommendation
- Completed Native American Scholastic Award Application

### Application Evaluation

Only completed applications submitted before the deadline will be considered. A selection committee will evaluate applications. The selection committee will consist of two (2) representatives from Central Michigan University and two (2) representative(s) of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe.

They will choose the award recipient on the basis of a combination of factors:

1. Grade point average of 2.5 or higher
2. Participation in school and community activities
3. Demonstrated promotion of Native American culture
4. The content and style of the essay

### Application Deadline: March 17th

**Submit scholarship application to: Native American Programs  
University Center 110C  
Mount Pleasant, MI 48859**

**or**

**[NAP@CMICH.EDU](mailto:NAP@CMICH.EDU)**

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Date Received:	Received by (Signature):
Information complete:	Follow-up: