

# Native American Peoples Scholarship Application

Deadline: Application packages must be postmarked by April 15th, 2023

Part One: Please type (preferable) or print very clearly:

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*Last Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *First Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Middle Initial* \_\_\_\_\_

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*Home Address* \_\_\_\_\_ *City/State* \_\_\_\_\_ *Zipcode + 4* \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number(s) with area code: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Stony Brook University I.D. # if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Current e-mail address (please make this very clear): \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Native American Tribal Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Your Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

## Part Two:

### Signature of Tribal Council Representative:

By signing this, I affirm that \_\_\_\_\_ is eligible for the Native American Peoples Scholarship offered by Stony Brook University and I endorse this application.

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*Please print your name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Title* \_\_\_\_\_

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*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

### For Transfer Students: Signature of Tribal Council Representative:

Transferring from: \_\_\_\_\_

I do have an Associate's degree, please list the accredited college from which you received your degree: \_\_\_\_\_

I do not have an Associate's degree

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*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

## Part Three: Essay Requirements:

1. In 500 words or less, describe how you can contribute to the diversity of Stony Brook University's student body. You may include personal information regarding obstacles that you have overcome to achieve your goals.
2. You may include a list of school and/or community activities that you have been involved in, before and during high school, that have encouraged your aspirations.
3. Have at least one person from your Native American community (and no more than three) write a letter of support for this application.
4. You must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA).  
I have already submitted the FAFSA for the upcoming academic year  Yes  No

### Send this application and all supporting material to:

Office of Student Financial Services and Scholarships  
Stony Brook Union, Suite 208  
Stony Brook, New York, 11794-3252



# Native American Peoples Scholarship

The purpose of the Stony Brook University (“SUNY”) Native American Peoples Scholarship is to encourage and support educational diversity at the University, consistent with SUNY guidelines and the University’s mission, by including as a factor for consideration in the award, membership in Long Island’s Native American communities, whose populations have been historically underrepresented in the State’s educational facilities. The Shinnecock and Unkechaug Nations represent two such populations, and as such at least one scholarship per year per nation can be awarded to qualified candidates. Others may exist, and may be considered for scholarships as funds are made available.

The University is offering a four year scholarship per year, per nation to support qualified students, with the goal of assisting these students to broaden their education, their careers, and their futures.

The following factors will be considered in making the awards, but will not form the sole basis of any such award. Each student applicant shall be evaluated on his or her merits.

- Graduating high school students who are U.S. citizens and certified members of underrepresented Native American populations in the Long Island region.
- Graduating high school students who can demonstrate how they will contribute to the diversity of the University’s student body in the program for which they are applying, including by having overcome disadvantages or other impediments to success in higher education. Economic disadvantage, although not a requirement, may be a basis for eligibility under this category.
- Transfer students who are certified members of an underrepresented Native American population in the Long Island region, who have completed at least twenty four credits in academic coursework at an accredited institution, or who have completed an Associates Degree or graduated from an accredited community college.
- All applicants shall meet Stony Brook University’s general admissions standards, and successfully complete the application process.
- Continuing students who are scholarship recipients must maintain a cumulative 2.5 GPA at the end of each academic year to continue to qualify for the scholarship.
- Scholarship recipients shall maintain full time academic status at the University.
- The scholarship shall be disbursed equally for the fall and spring semesters.

Applicants are required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), a NY State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) application and an application to receive New York State Indian Aid. The Native American Scholarship combined with federal and state aid, and other scholarships and grants from external sources will cover the following:

- Tuition
- Fees
- Room\* (equivalent to the cost of a double room)
- Meals\* (equivalent to the cost of The Wolfie Standard Plan)
- Books
- Health Insurance (if student does not waive out)

\* Commuter students will instead receive funding to cover the costs associated with commuting.