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MOU Tribal and Plateau Native American Scholarship Apps Due March 1

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Washington State University is now accepting applications for the MOU Tribal Scholarship and Plateau Native American Scholarship for the 2016–17 academic year!

Incoming freshmen and transfer students from tribes who have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with WSU are encouraged to apply for the MOU Tribal Scholarship. Eligible tribes include: Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, Confederated Tribes of the Salish and Kootenai, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, Cowlitz Tribe, Kalispel Tribe, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Nez Perce Tribe, Spokane Tribe and Yakama Nation. Applicants must have a minimum high school GPA of 3.3 or college GPA of 3.0.

Twenty awards are available at the Pullman Campus and freshmen students will be given priority consideration. One student will be selected from all applicants to receive a \$10,000 per year award. The remaining rewards will be in the amount of \$2,000 per year. The WSU Tri-Cities and Vancouver campuses also offer two \$2,000 MOU Tribal Scholarships on each campus.

The MOU Tribal Scholarship Application packet is available online at native.wsu.edu/tribal-liaison/scholarships/MOUScholarship.html. (NOTE: Students who are applying for the MOU Tribal Scholarship are required to submit their application packet to their tribe's Higher Education Department for the nomination of their tribe). The deadline is March 1.

The Plateau Native American Scholarship is for students from tribes including the eleven MOU Tribes, as well as the Klamath. High school applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75. Transfer and current undergraduate WSU student applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5. The amount and number of awards varies. Apply online at native.wsu.edu/tribal-liaison/scholarships/plateau.html. The deadline is March 1.

Recipients of the WSU Pullman MOU Tribal Scholarship and Plateau Native American Scholarship have the additional benefit of being enrolled in WSU's Tribal Nation Building Leadership Program. This program provides students with leadership skills and knowledge based on tribal principles and values. Participants in the leadership program take specially-designed courses together, interact one-on-one with guest speakers, travel for field trips, and have other unique opportunities.

Applications are available online at native.wsu.edu. For more information, call (509) 335-5849.

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