Scholarship in Indigenous Business Education

Indigenous Business Education Partners (IBEP) at the University of Manitoba’s Asper School of Business will offer one scholarship in the amount of $15,000 per year (renewable) to an undergraduate student who:

1. is a member of the Indigenous Business Education Partners (IBEP) program in the I.H. Asper School of Business at the University of Manitoba;
2. has a high record of academic achievement which is defined as:
   a. for first year students, meet the minimum admission requirements for the I.H. Asper School of Business Direct Entry Program Option at the University of Manitoba;
   b. for continuing students, a minimum degree grade point average of 3.0;
3. is enrolled full-time (minimum 60% course load) in the I.H. Asper School of Business in the year in which the scholarship is tenable.

Candidates will be required to participate in an interview process conducted by faculty and staff members involved with the IBEP program. Candidates will be selected based on the interview and the above eligibility criteria.

The scholarship is intended to support most of the academic and room and board expenses incurred during the regular academic session. The funds will first be applied to the recipient’s tuition fees, residence fees and a meal plan for the academic year in which the scholarship is tenable. In the event that there are funds remaining once those expenses have been paid, the recipient will receive a cheque from the Financial Aid and Awards office intended to offset the costs of books and course supplies.

In years when on-campus residence cannot be obtained by the recipient due to high demand, funds allocated to academic and room and board expenses will be disbursed as equal payments at the beginning of each academic term by the Financial Aid and Awards office, for off-campus housing and meals. The scholarship is renewable provided that the recipient:

1. continues to be a member of the Indigenous Business Education Partners (IBEP) program;
2. is enrolled full-time (minimum 60% course load) in the I.H. Asper School of Business;
3. has achieved a minimum degree grade point average of 3.0.

*Terms of this award are under review, and subject to change.*

COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPTEMBER 9, 2021. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED. APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF ACCEPTANCE INTO THE ASPER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS PRIOR TO INTERVIEW PROCESS, WHICH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 17, 2021.
Scholarship in Indigenous Business Education Application
Application Due Date: September 9, 2021

APPLICANT NAME:
Last ____________________________ Middle ___________ First ___________________________

DATE OF BIRTH: ____________________
DAY / MONTH / YEAR

CONTACT INFORMATION:
Primary Telephone: (      ) ________ Email address: ____________________________________
Street Address: _____________________________________________________________________
City/Township: _____________________________________________________________________
Province/Territory: __________________________________ Postal Code: _____________

Highest Level of Education Completed:
☐ Some high school ☐ High school graduate ☐ Less than one year university/college
☐ College diploma ☐ University degree

Institution/school name ____________________________ Year Attended ________________
City: ____________________________ Province/Territory: ____________________________

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION:
Please submit the following documents:
☐ Transcript for most recent academic year (high school or university/college)
☐ Applicant biography essay (500 to 750 words). See next page for details.
☐ One letter of reference from a teacher/professor, coach, volunteer supervisor, etc..
☐ Letter of offer into the Asper School of Business (scanned copy may be emailed by September 9, 2021).

If you are a high school student submitting interim grades, please follow-up by sending our office with your FINAL graduation transcript before the application deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
Current University of Manitoba students need not submit transcripts. Students from colleges or universities other than University of Manitoba need only submit transcripts up to and including Winter term (ending May 1, 2021).

Award is only available for students who intend to start/resume studies on a full-time basis effective September 2021. Failure to register for courses by August 23 will result in the award being offered to an alternate candidate.

Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: __________________________

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**APPLICANT BIOGRAPHY ESSAY GUIDELINES**

In 500 to 750 words, please answer the following questions in order for the selection committee to get to know you as an applicant. Please note that the quality of your essay will be weighted in the committee’s overall assessment of your candidacy for this award, so be sure to be as thorough as possible, while keeping within the word limit range:

1. Why do you want to study at the Asper School of Business?
2. Describe the most significant challenge you have faced and the steps you have taken to address this challenge. Include whether you turned to anyone in facing the challenge, the role that person played and what you learned about yourself.
3. Explain what you have done to make your Indigenous community a better place to live. Give examples of specific projects in which you have been involved.
4. Describe your career goals upon graduation and how a Bachelor of Commerce degree will help you achieve them.

**LETTER OF REFERENCE GUIDELINES**

Please provide a letter of reference from a *non-relative* who is personally familiar with you and your ability to excel at the University of Manitoba’s Asper School of Business. They should be able to comment on the following areas:

- Contribution to school (or workplace, volunteer organization, etc)
- Contribution to community
- Interest in and respect for others, including demonstrated leadership abilities
- Motivation and determination to complete goals
- Future academic promise

Examples of acceptable reference relationships include community Elder, teacher, vice-principal/principal, professor, coach, pastor or clergy, volunteer supervisor or employer.

Submit applications digitally to:

Indigenous Business Education Partners  
University of Manitoba  
mailto:ibep@umanitoba.ca

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