

Admissions Requirements for the Master's in Environmental Science Program

Potential students must submit an application package. Interested individuals will be encouraged to visit SBC and the ENS (Environmental Science) faculty before applying to the graduate program.

Requirements of Application Package:

1. Complete an application for enrollment at SBC
2. Official transcripts from all previous colleges and universities
3. GRE scores
4. Three (3) Letters of Recommendation
5. Curriculum Vitae
6. Letter of Intent – In this letter, the applicant should discuss research interests, academic goals, career goals, and reasons for wanting to attend graduate school. The applicant should discuss how previous work, academic, and personal experiences have prepared them for graduate education and have shaped their research interests.

Applications that are missing any of the above requirements will not be reviewed. All information can be sent to the: **Office of the VP of Operations, Graduate Program, Sitting Bull College, 9299 Highway 24, Fort Yates, ND 58538.**

Criteria for Admissions:

1. Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
2. Combined GRE scores of 300 or higher
3. Demonstration of readiness for graduate school and scientific research – should be revealed in Letter of Recommendations, CV, and Letter of Intent
4. Students with poor GPAs or GRE scores should still apply. Applicants should use the Letter of Intent and CV to highlight academic and career accomplishments. Students with a good record of research and work experience may still be accepted even though the cumulative GPA or GRE scores are lower than the admission standards.

Pre-Admission:

Applicants that meet the admissions criteria will be asked to interview with ENS faculty before final acceptance into the ENS graduate program is approved. In interviews with ENS faculty, both the applicant and the faculty will determine if the ENS graduate program is a good fit for the applicant. During the interviews, the applicant can ask questions about the program and research projects. Faculty can further determine if the student is truly prepared for graduate school at SBC.

Special Notes

SBC will be offering the Master's in ENS using a cohort model. The program will be offering courses during the day and evening and the program will require research/field time. It is anticipated that the program will take between two to three years to complete. Therefore, it is highly encouraged that selected participants not hold full-time employment during this period. If the participant does have full-time employment it is highly encouraged that a commitment is received from their employer understanding that the participant will be required to take course(s) and do research/field time during working hours.

Costs

TUITION (charged each semester – per credit hour) \$350.00

REGISTRATION FEE (charged each semester):

- Full-time enrollment (12 or more credits) (Summer – 6 or more credits) \$25.00
- Part-time enrollment (1 to 11 credits) (Summer – below 6 credits) \$15.00

ACTIVITY FEE (charged each semester):

- Fall and Spring full-time and part-time enrollment \$30.00
- Summer term full-time and part-time enrollment \$15.00

TECHNOLOGY FEE (charged each semester):

- Full-time enrollment (12 or more credits) \$100.00
- Part-time enrollment (1 to 11 credits) (Summer – below 6 credits) \$25.00

Graduate Degree - Funding Source Database	
Funding Source	Eligibility Requirement
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Higher Education Graduate Scholarship Ethnicity: Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$500/Credit Hour Application Deadline: June 30th Scholarship Resource	- Must be an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe - Must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA - Must be a full-time student in accordance with policy - Must declare and state his or her program study as part of the initial application for the Graduate/Doctorial Program - Must have a complete application prior to consideration for funding with the program - For an application, please contact the SRST Tribal Department of Education @ (701) 854-8545
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Graduate Scholarship Ethnicity: Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Enrolled Member Award Amount: Amounts Vary Application Deadline: June 15th Scholarship Resource	- Complete both Higher Education Scholarship Application/Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Scholarship - Must be enrolled full-time in accordance with policy - Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood - Letter of Acceptance from eligible institution - Must have High School Diploma or GED - Must maintain 2.0 GPA - Updated College Transcript - Financial Aid Package/Needs Analysis Form - For an application please visit: www.crsteducationservices.com

<p>Higher Education Grant Program Ethnicity: Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: Amounts Vary Application Deadline: March 15th Scholarship Resource: Higher Education Grant Program 404 Frontage Road New Town, ND 58763 P.(701) 627-4112 F.(701) 627-2295</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Higher Education Grant Program Application - Letter of Acceptance and Updated college/university transcript - High school transcripts or GED scores - Signed Release of Grade form - Signed Privacy Act form - Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood(CDIB), which can be obtained by calling (701)627-4238 - Financial Needs Analysis form (from Financial Aid Officer) - For an application, please contact the Higher Education Grant Program @ (701) 627-4112
<p>Lower Brule Higher Education Grant Program Ethnicity: Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: Amounts vary Application Deadline: July 15th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application for Lower Brule Higher Education grant - Verification of enrollment from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe with degree of Indian blood - Copy of high school transcript or GED certificate - Acceptance letter from an institution of higher education - Copy of a completed Student Aid Report (SAR - Pell Grant) - Signed Financial Needs Analysis form - Signed Privacy Act statement - Class schedule for upcoming semester/quarter - For an application, please contact the Lower Brule Higher Education Program @ (605) 473-9232
<p>Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Tribal Higher Education Scholarship Program Ethnicity: Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: Amounts Vary Application Deadline: September 1st Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood - Letter of Acceptance/Admission - Student Award Letter - High School Transcript or GED - College Transcripts - For an application please visit: www.tm.edu
<p>Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Higher Education Grant Program Ethnicity: Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: N/A Application Deadline: June 15th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Higher Education Grant Application with signature. - Financial Aide Budget (completed and signed by the Financial Aid Office) - Degree of Indian Blood which can be obtained by the Tribal Enrollment Office at (605) 698-3911, ext.#215 - Letter of acceptance from the College or University. - Continuing students must submit a copy of their current transcripts - For an application, please contact the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Higher Education Endowment Program @ (605) 742-0150

<p>Massachusetts Indian Association Ethnicity: Native American/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$1,500 Application Deadline: September 15th Scholarship Resource: Marjorie M. Findlay 245 Rockland Road Carlisle, MA 01741 F.(978) 369-5828</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must complete application - Must submit completed Financial Aid Verification Form - Application can be mailed or faxed to the contact information - For an application, please contact the SBC Financial Aid Office @ (701) 854-8016
<p>The American Indian College Fund Full Circle Scholarship Ethnicity: Native American/Alaska Native/Native Hawaiian Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: Amounts Vary Application Deadline: May 31st Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U.S. citizenship - Enrolled in full-time in a graduate program - Registered as a member of a federal or state recognized tribe, or a descendant of at least one grandparent or parent who is an enrolled tribal member. (Alaska Natives may use Native Corporation membership.) - Must have a minimum 2.0 GPA - Application are submitted online @ www.collegefund.org
<p>The Ethel and Emery Fast Scholarship Foundation, Inc. Ethnicity: Native American Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: N/A Application Deadline: August 15th Scholarship Resource: Carol Minami, Manager Ethel & Emery Fast Scholarship Foundation, Inc. 12620 Rolling Road Potomac, MD 20854 P.(301) 762-1102 F.(301) 279-0201 E. qccarol@erols.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be an American Indian of a Federally recognized tribe - Have successfully completed on year of a post-secondary education at an accredited college or university - Be currently enrolled in same as a full-time student in good standing - Demonstrate financial need - For an application, please contact the Ethel and Emery Fast Scholarship Foundation @ (301) 762-1102
<p>Native American & Alaska Native Fellowships: Grace Wall Berreda Memorial Fellowship Ethnicity: American Indian/Alaska Native Degree Plan: Environment Studies/Public Health Award Amount: \$500 - \$5,000 Application Deadline: December 15th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enrolled full-time in a graduate program - Able to demonstrate financial need through submission of the AIGC Financial Need Form (FNF) - Enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian or Alaska Native group - Apply online: http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships/
<p>Allgoan Slagle Memorial Scholarships Association on American Indian Affairs Ethnicity: Non-Recognized American Indian Tribes Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must be Native American from continental US tribes or Alaska Native - Must be enrolled in their tribe, a copy of tribal enrollment is required - No minimum blood quantum requirement for eligibility - Must be enrolled as full-time student for both fall and spring semester - Minimum need of \$750 both fall and spring semester to be eligible - Must be attending an accredited school. *See FAQ's for more info.

<p>Award Amount: \$1,500 Application Deadline: Check website Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- Apply online: http://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships/allogan_slagle.htm</p>
<p>Elizabeth & Sherman Asche Memorial Scholarship Fund Association on American Indian Affairs Ethnicity: American Indian/Alaska Native Degree Plan: Public Health/Science Award Amount: \$1,500 Application Deadline: Check website Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- Must be Native American from continental US tribes or Alaska Native - Must be enrolled in their tribe. A copy of tribal enrollment is required. - No minimum blood quantum requirement for eligibility. - Must be enrolled as full-time students for both fall and spring semester. - Minimum need of \$750 both fall and spring semester to be eligible. - Must be attending an accredited school. *See FAQ's for more info. - Apply online: http://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships/elizabeth_asche.htm</p>
<p>Sequoyah Graduate Scholarships Association on American Indian Affairs Ethnicity: American Indian/Alaska Native Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$1,500 Application Deadline: Check website Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- Must be Native American from continental US tribes or Alaska Native. - Must be enrolled in their tribe. A copy of tribal enrollment is required. - No minimum blood quantum requirement for eligibility. - Must be enrolled as full time students for both fall and spring semester. - Must have a minimum need of \$750 both fall and spring semester to be eligible. - Must be attending an accredited school. *See FAQ's for more info. - For additional scholarship information please see the scholarship page of the website. - Apply online: http://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships/sequoyah.htm</p>
<p>AISES Intel Scholarship Ethnicity: Native American/Alaska Native/ Native Hawaiian Degree Plan: Science/Technology/Engineering/Math Award Amount: \$10,000 Application Deadline: March 31st Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- Must provide a personal essay with no more than 1000 words. This essay is evaluated by stating educational and/or career goals, stating interest in and motivation to continue higher education, understanding the importance of college and a commitment to completion, expressing commitment to learning, and giving back to the community. - Apply online: https://aises.academicworks.com/opportunities/4</p>
<p>A.T Anderson Memorial Scholarship Ethnicity: Native American/Alaska Native/ Native Hawaiian Degree Plan: Science/Engineering/Medicine/ Natural Resources/Math/Technology Award Amount: \$2,000 Application Deadline: March 31st Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- The AISES Intel Scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable scholarship for AISES members. - The applicant must provide a personal essay with no more than 1000 words. This essay is evaluated by stating educational and/or career goals, stating interest in and motivation to continue higher education, understanding the importance of college and a commitment to completion, expressing commitment to learning, and giving back to the community. - For additional scholarship information please see the scholarship page of the website.</p>
<p>American Indian Education Fund Ethnicity: Native American/Alaska Native/ Native Hawaiian Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$2,000 Application Deadline: April 4th Scholarship Resource</p>	<p>- Native American ,Alaska Native , Native Hawaiian (student or one parent must be enrolled and have documentation) - Attending or have been accepted to an accredited graduate school (online colleges are not applicable, ABD not applicable) - Must be enrolled between 6-18 credits (level of scholarship funding dependent on # of credits enrolled) - GPA between 2.5-3.5 is desirable - For additional scholarship information, please see the scholarship page of</p>

	<p>the website: http://www.nativepartnership.org/site/DocServer/Grad_Scholarship_Application.pdf?docID=6087</p>
<p>Helen Gough Scholarship Foundation Ethnicity: Three Affiliated Tribe Enrolled Member Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: N/A Application Deadline: June 1st Scholarship Resource: Higher Education Grant Program 404 Frontage Road New Town, ND 58763 P.(701) 627-4112 F.(701) 624-2295</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete application form - High school transcripts - College letter of acceptance - Proof of membership with the Three Affiliated Tribes (1/4 blood quantum) - Three recommendations from adults not related to you continuing applicant - Application form - Current college transcript - For an application, please contact the Helen Gough Scholarship Foundation @ (701) 627-4112
<p>HSF/General College Scholarship Ethnicity: Hispanic Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$5,000 - \$5,000 Application Deadline: March 30th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be of Hispanic heritage - Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident - Minimum 3.0 GPA - Enrolled full-time with an accredited college or university - Must apply for federal financial aid - Be pursuing first undergraduate or graduate degree - Apply online: www.hsf.net
<p>HSF/ALPFA Scholarship Program Ethnicity: Hispanic Degree Plan: Business Administration/Economics Finance/Management Award Amount: \$2,000 - \$10,000 Application Deadline: January 31st Scholarship Application</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be of Hispanic heritage Be a U.S. citizen, legal permanent resident or eligible Non-U.S. citizen - Minimum 3.0 GPA - Enrolled full-time in a graduate program - Majoring in Accounting, Business Administration, Economics, Finance, Management - Must plan to apply for federal financial aid - Must submit a resume as part of the application - Apply online: www.hsf.net
<p>First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association Scholarship Ethnicity: All-Ethnicities Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: \$1,750 Application Deadline: February 27th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School must be accredited - Application Requirements: Recommendation(s), Essay, & Transcript, SAT/ACT scores, & photograph - Must demonstrate: academic achievement, leadership, proof of eligibility, & service to others - Must be a member of First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association for at least three years prior to date of application, and on a \$1,000 legal reserve certificate, a \$5,000 term certificate, or have an annuity certificate - Minimum 2.5GPA - Apply online: http://www.fcsla.org/scholarship.shtml

<p>Hawaiian Homes Commission Scholarship Ethnicity: Native Hawaiian or Lessee of Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: N/A Application Deadline: Check website Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School must be accredited - Application Requirements: Recommendation(s), Essay, & Transcript, SAR, FAFSA, & Personal Statement - Minimum 3.0 graduate - Must either be native Hawaiian or lessee of Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) - Applicants not required to be Hawaiian resident - Apply online: https://www.hawaiicommunityfoundation.org/grants-and-scholarships-for-community-causes-and-students
<p>Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship Awards Ethnicity: Hispanic Degree Plan: Any Graduate Study Award Amount: N/A Application Deadline: January 29th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full-time enrollment a graduate/professional program - Must demonstrate financial need - Consistent, active participation in public and/or community service activities - Strong writing skills-Applicants must be U.S. citizens - Application Requirements: resume, recommendation(s), essay, SAR, financial need, leadership & service to others - Apply online: http://www.chci.org/scholarships/
<p>Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program Ethnicity: Women/Minority Groups Degree Plan: Public Policy/International Affairs/ Public Administration/Business/Economics/ Political Science/Sociology/Foreign Language Award Amount: Up to \$37,500 Application Deadline: January 30th Scholarship Resource</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Must be a United States citizen - Minimum 3.2 or higher GPA - Must be enrolled full-time master's degree program in either public policy, international affairs, public administration, or in an academic field such as business, economics, political science, sociology, or foreign languages (U.S. graduate institutions only). - Must demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and academic achievement in programs relevant to the work of the U.S. Department of State, such as international affairs, management, communications, history, political science, economics, and foreign languages. - Must demonstrate financial need. - Apply online: www.woodrow.org/pickering