



# 2019-2020 Ecotrust Native American Scholarship Fund at the University of Oregon

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**ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP:** This fund will support undergraduate and graduate Native students who have an interest in environmental studies and sciences at the University of Oregon. Multiple scholarships will be awarded, ranging between \$2000 and \$4000. Awards will be based upon financial need and applicant demonstration of their interest in supporting in environmental issues within Native communities.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 by 5:00pm**

Completed applications should be submitted online via this [Qualtrics](#) form, which can also be found on the Multicultural Education, Engagement, and Student Success website. The scholarship committee will review only complete and timely applications. Final decisions will be made by the committee and announced in December 2019. Questions about eligibility or the application and evaluation process should be directed to DJ Kelly-Quattrocchi ([djkq@uoregon.edu](mailto:djkq@uoregon.edu)).

## ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, applicants must meet the requirements for Indian eligibility as established by the US Department of Education (34 CFR Part 263.3) as listed in the Federal Register (July 24, 2003/Rules and Regulations) and be prepared to provide relevant documentation. Indian means an individual who is:

- A member of an Indian tribe or band, as membership is defined by the Indian tribe or band, including any tribe or band terminated since 1940, and any tribe or band recognized by the State in which the tribe or band resides; or
- A descendent of a parent or grandparent who meets the requirements described above; or
- Considered by the Secretary of the Interior to be an Indian for any purpose; or
- An Eskimo, Aleut, or other Alaska Native; or
- A member of an organized Indian group that received a grant under the Indian Education Act of 1988 as it was in effect October 19, 1994.

UO undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to apply. At least half of the scholarship fund will be awarded to undergraduate students.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Qualified applicants will possess the following characteristics:

- Demonstrated leadership qualities and commitment to their communities and Native people.
- Demonstrated financial need.
- Academic achievement as evidenced by a 2.5 grade point average or higher.

## Preference will be given to students who are:

- Citizens in one of the nine federally recognized tribes of Oregon.
- From the region in which Ecotrust works: Alaska, British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and northern California.
- Enrolled full-time at the University of Oregon.
- Enrolled in programs of study related to Ecotrust's work, including natural resources management, environmental studies, ecology, forestry, fisheries, food and agriculture, environmental law, economic development, social sciences, and sciences related to climate change. [Applicants do not have to have a declared major in Environmental Studies or Environmental Sciences.]