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Scholarship Deadlines

March 15

Scholarship Type:
Basic
Semester: Summer

April 15

Scholarship Type:
Basic and Competitive
Semester: Fall

September 15

Scholarship Type:
Basic (for vocational
students only)
Semester: Winter

November 15

Scholarship Type:
Basic
Semester: Spring

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Individuals and organizations across the state are coming together to support residents in Eagle. The Eagle Disaster Account has been set up at Denali State Bank, and monetary donations are welcomed. The Tok Chamber of Commerce has also designated the Log Visitor Center building as a collection center for supplies and donations that need to go to Eagle. Needs include underwear, socks, t-shirts, sweat pants and other clothes, as well as food and supplies like diapers, paper products and fuel.

For current updates on the situation in Eagle and the relief efforts, visit <http://eaglefloodinfo.wikispaces.com>.

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Doyon Foundation is seeking candidates for two open seats on the competitive scholarship review committee. These seats are open to residents of the greater Fairbanks area. Per IRS regulations, committee members **cannot** be employees of the Doyon Family of Companies or the Doyon Foundation.

To qualify for a position, candidates must:

- Be a Doyon shareholder.
- Be over 18 years of age.
- Value and support higher education.
- Be committed to serve a three-year term.
- Attend an in-person orientation in May/June in Fairbanks.
- Spend 30 - 40 hours reviewing, evaluating and scoring all

competitive scholarship applications online via the Doyon Foundation Web site.

- Attend a one-day meeting in Fairbanks in June/July to award the scholarships.
- Meet with Doyon Foundation administration to review and recommend competitive scholarship policy changes in June.

Service on the scholarship review committee is on a voluntary basis. Interested candidates should submit a résumé and a letter of interest outlining why they'd like to serve by May 8, 2009. The Doyon Foundation board of directors will select the members at their next regularly scheduled meeting in Fairbanks. The time and date of that meeting is to be announced.

For more information, please contact Doris Miller, interim executive director, at 907.459.2050 or millerd@doyon.com.

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Doyon Foundation will host its 2009 graduation reception on May 15, 2009 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Doyon, Limited building at 1 Doyon Place in Fairbanks, Alaska. All high school and college students who are graduating during the 2008 - 2009 academic year, as well as family, friends, alumni and other supporters, are invited to attend. For more information, contact Megan Hosken at 907.459.2048 or hoskenm@doyon.com.

The Foundation is also compiling a list of current graduates, who will be recognized at the May 15 graduation reception, as well as highlighted in a special issue of the Foundation e-newsletter. All graduates are invited to contact the Foundation and provide the following information by May 11:

- What is your full name?
- Where are you from?
- What school are you graduating from?
- What degree are you receiving (certificate, associate's, bachelor's, master's, doctorate, etc.), and in what field (business, education, engineering, etc.)?
- What are your plans for after graduation?
- How has Doyon Foundation assisted you in pursuit of your educational goals?
- What are the names of your parents, and maternal and paternal grandparents?
- Do you have a digital photo of yourself?

The above information should be directed to Doris Miller, interim executive director/scholarship program manager, at millerd@doyon.com. She may also be contacted at 907.459.2050.

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- Anastacia D'Andrea, \$1,000 Nee T'se Neyh donor

To learn more about how you can show support of Doyon Foundation, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com or call 907.459.2048 or 1.888.478.4755 ext. 2048.

Megan Hosken Joins Foundation as Administrative Intern



Megan Hosken recently joined Doyon Foundation as an administrative intern. Before joining the Foundation staff, Hosken was employed with Information Insights in Anchorage, where she worked on the Alaska Home Energy Rebate Program.

Hosken, a 2008 West Valley High School graduate, plans to attend the University of Alaska Fairbanks, obtain a bachelor's degree, and pursue a career in dental hygiene.

She is the daughter of Carl Demit, Jr. of Northway and Shelley Hosken of Tok. Her grandparents are Carl Demit, Sr. and the late Mable Demit of Northway, and Doug and Cheryl Hosken of Tok.

Hosken may be reached at 907.459.2048 or hoskenm@doyon.com.

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This fun, annual event benefits the Morris Thompson Scholarship Fund, an endowed fund established by Doyon Foundation to benefit Alaska Native, higher education students studying business management and leadership. Both the golf classic and the scholarship fund were established in honor of the late Morris Thompson, who served as president/CEO of Doyon, Limited from 1985 until his passing in 2000.

During the 2008 - 2009 academic year, the Foundation awarded a total of \$52,000 in Morris Thompson scholarships. The Foundation expects to maintain a consistent funding level for 2009 - 2010.

These scholarships go to support the educational efforts of deserving Alaska Native students like Samantha Smith, a Morris Thompson scholarship recipient who is studying to become a pharmacist at the University of New Mexico.

"Doyon Foundation has helped me tremendously financially towards pursuing my education. It is easier to focus on getting the best education possible without money woes. I want to know that I obtained all the knowledge possible to help my patients in the future," Smith said.

There are many ways to support the Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic as a sponsor. For more information on the classic and sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com or contact Greg Bringhurst, golf classic coordinator, at 1.888.478.4755 ext. 2049, 907.459.2049 or bringhurstg@doyon.com.

Doyon Foundation Student Profile:

Jacqueline Esai

Jacqueline Esai, originally from Nikolai, Alaska, is currently living in New Haven, Conn., where she is studying law at Yale Law School. After graduating in June 2010, Esai said she would like to spend a year or two clerking for a judge before getting a job with a law firm.

"I wanted to embark upon a career path that would open many doors," Esai said about why she chose to go into law.

In addition to her studies, Esai is also a member of the Native America Law Students Association, and the Women of Color Collective, which are student groups at Yale.

Esai, who is a 2008 - 2009 Morris Thompson scholarship recipient, said she was "very honored" to be selected for the award. She added that the funding contributes toward her living expenses and enables her to focus on school full-time.

"I think Alaska's students are a field of potential that local businesses and individuals do well to cultivate. After all, the students of today are the employees and employers of tomorrow," she said.

Esai, who is the daughter of Philip and Dora Esai, encourages other Doyon Foundation students to "aim as high as you can."



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- **Sign up for alumni news.** To sign up to receive alumni association meeting notifications and other alumni news via e-mail, please contact Tracy Snow at inspire_consulting@yahoo.com.
- **Join the association.** It's easy - and free - to become a member of the alumni association! To join, alumni simply have to create an online account at www.doyonfoundation.com/OpenAlumni/Default.aspx, or contact Tracy Snow at 907.451.0543 or inspire_consulting@yahoo.com.

Internships, Scholarships and Other Educational Opportunities

Looking for a job or internship? Need help paying for school? Want to attend a conference or workshop? Check out these newly posted internships, scholarships and other educational opportunities, and view even more at www.doyonfoundation.com/static/employment.aspx.

Scholarships

- The Coca-Cola First Generation Scholarship is offered to American Indian students who are the first in their immediate family to pursue a higher education at a tribal college or university. For more information, visit http://www.raconline.org/funding/funding_details.php?funding_id=1563. Applications due May 31, 2009.
- A total of five \$10,000 scholarships are available to high school juniors through the Nordstrom scholarship program. Applicants should have a minimum 2.7 GPA, make substantial contributions to the community, be involved in school activities, and demonstrate financial need. For more information or an application, contact Ellen Greene at 206.373.4550 or nordscholar@nordstrom.com. Applications due June 1, 2009.
- Applications are now available for the Len McLean Public Relations Scholarship, a \$1,500 award offered annually by the Alaska Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. The scholarship is open to residents of Alaska studying public relations at accredited institutions. For more information or an application, visit <http://prsaalaska.org/scholarships.htm>. Applications due June 1, 2009.
- The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) administers the AISES Google Scholarship, which funds \$10,000 awards to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian AISES members pursuing degrees in computer science and computer engineering fields. For more information or to apply, visit www.aises.org/Programs/ScholarshipsandInternships/Scholarships. Applications due June 15, 2009.

Internships

- Doyon, Limited is seeking a legal intern to work at the Doyon

headquarters in Fairbanks, Alaska. Under general counsel's supervision, the selected intern will provide legal support by preparing documents, policies and researching legal issues for the corporation. The intern will obtain practical in-house legal experience within a corporate legal department. Current law students or recent law school graduates are eligible to apply. Some prior or practical experience is preferred. For more information or to apply, visit

www4.ultirecruit.com/DOY1000/jobboard/JobDetails.aspx?ID=*E27F1F6A56EC26CD.

- Doyon, Limited is seeking a full-time, administrative intern to work at the Doyon headquarters in Fairbanks, Alaska during summer 2009. The selected intern will work closely with the president, vice president of administration and executive assistants on projects such as Get Out the Native Vote activities, tracking congressional legislation related to the stimulus package, and cap and trade, as well as researching tax credits for higher education. High school students and college students are eligible to apply. For more information, visit

www4.ultirecruit.com/DOY1000/jobboard/JobDetails.aspx?ID=*9A1A1D82518D207A.

Educational Opportunities

- Academies in civil construction heavy equipment and introductory welding will be held June 1 - 19, 2009 at the Delta Career Advancement Center in Delta Junction, Alaska. These academies offer awareness training and the unique opportunity to learn about career options in real time. A total of 10 candidates will be selected for each academy; candidates must be between the ages of 17 - 24. Participation in the academy is free to successful candidates, and daily lunches are provided. Room and board may be provided for out-of-town participants. For more information or an application, call 907.895.4605. Applications due May 8, 2009.
- The Graduate Horizons Program, held July 18 - 21, 2009 at the University of California Berkeley, is a four-day "crash course" for Native American, Native Hawaiian, Alaska Native and First Nations college students, master's students or alumni to help prepare them for graduate school. Complete program cost is \$175 (includes tuition, room, meals, all materials and transportation to campus from the Oakland airport). Students are responsible for their own airfare, but substantial funds are available for travel and tuition assistance. For more information, visit www.collegehorizons.org or contact info@collegehorizons.org or 505.401.3854. Applications will be accepted on a space-available basis until June 1, 2009.
- Adult Learning Programs of Alaska is accepting applications for session three of the Rural Education for Adult Learners (REAL) GED program, which will take place August 16 - November 21, 2009. REAL offers individualized study plans, laptop computers, travel, room, board, materials and instruction at no charge. The program is available to Alaska Natives living in a rural community within the Tanana Chiefs Conference/Doyon region. For more information, contact 866.452.6434 ext. 232, 907.452.6434 ext. 232 or jkowalsky@adultlearning.org, or visit www.adultlearning.org. Applications due June 1, 2009.

Employment

- Alyeska Pipeline Service Company is accepting applications for a pipeline maintenance technician, located in Fairbanks, Alaska, as well as a power vapor terminal technician (BFEP), located in Valdez, Alaska. For more information or to apply, visit www.alyeska-pipe.com/employment/jobs.asp or contact Alyeska_jobs@alyeska-pipeline.com or 1.888.270.8842. Applications for the pipeline maintenance technician position are due May 16, 2009. Applications for the terminal technician position are due May 20, 2009.

To view the full list of opportunities, visit www.doyonfoundation.com/static/employment.aspx.

Tips for Student Success

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- Confirm the time and location of all of your final exams - and good luck!
- Finalize your housing arrangements for the next semester, whether you're living on-campus or off.
- If you're a scholarship recipient, check if there's anything you need to do to confirm your funding for the fall semester. If needed, look for additional scholarships to apply for. The opportunities listed on this e-newsletter are a great place to start!
- Worried about your GPA or class load? Consider talking with an academic adviser before you leave campus.
- Double check when you need to register - and pay - for your fall semester classes. Or, if you're taking summer classes, make sure you've registered.
- Find out when classes begin and make plans to return to campus in plenty of time to settle in for a successful semester!
- Lastly, be sure to enjoy your summer! You've earned it!

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