



DOYON FOUNDATION

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SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

An independent committee of five individuals will review competitive scholarship applications and forward their recommendations to the Executive Director of the Doyon Foundation. Representation on the committee will include a cross section of the education community and Native organizations. The Doyon Foundation Board of Directors will make appointments. Appointments are for three-year terms with no limit to the number of terms.

The committee will meet as needed to address policy, review applications and make awards for the fall and spring semesters. The committee may also hold telephone conference calls to review discretionary student needs.

If a member of the scholarship review committee has an immediate family applying for an award, an average score will be taken from the remaining reviewers. Immediate family includes spouse, siblings, and children.

AVAILABLE AWARDS

Doyon Foundation awards full time basic grants (\$800), part time basic grants (\$400), competitive scholarships (\$2,000 - \$7,000) and memorial scholarships (amounts vary).

Students receiving competitive and memorial scholarships will NOT receive Doyon basic grants in conjunction with their scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for all Doyon Foundation awards, *applicants must be enrolled to Doyon, Limited or be a child of an enrollee. Enrollees are defined as stockholders holding class A, B, C or D shares. Exceptions to this are scholarship funds donated to Doyon Foundation directing eligibility criteria.* Individuals who hold dual enrollment in Regional Corporations are qualified if first enrollment was Doyon, Limited. Gifted or inherited shares do not, in and of themselves, qualify and individual for scholarship eligibility.

Applicants must be accepted to or enrolled at an accredited college, university or technical, vocational school. Full time students must be accepted into a degree-seeking program.

To be eligible for full time grants and competitive scholarships, undergraduate students must be enrolled in 12 or more credits and graduate students must be enrolled in 9 or more credits. For part time basic grants, undergraduate students must be enrolled in 1-11 credits and graduate students must be enrolled in 1-8 credits. Memorial scholarship requirements vary.

REQUIREMENTS

Students must maintain the following cumulative grade point averages (GPAs): Undergraduates 2.00, Graduate or Masters 3.00, Specialists or Doctorates 3.25.

Whenever a student’s GPA falls below the required minimum, the student will be placed on probation in accordance with the following academic standards policy:

Probation: If a GPA falls below the standard criteria for any funding period, the student will be placed on financial probation.

Continued Probation: If the GPA increases the following semester, although still below the established criteria, the student may continue to be on probation for an additional funding period.

Funding Cancelled: Funding will be cancelled for any student who fails to maintain the established GPA criteria at the end of two consecutive funding periods.

Regaining good standing: In order to regain good standing, the student must successfully complete a semester achieving the established GPA criteria on his or her own. A complete copy of scholarship policies can be obtained at the Doyon Foundation office.

Transcripts must be submitted to the Doyon Foundation each semester. Incoming freshman must submit high school transcripts or a copy of his or her GED scores. Vocational students must submit a progress report each quarter and/or a certificate at completion of his or her program. In addition to transcripts, first time applicants must also submit a copy of his or her letter of acceptance from the college, university, and vocational or technical school he or she is attending.

Students must reapply for basic grants every funding term and for competitive and memorial scholarships once a year on June 15.

All applications must be received by 5pm on the following deadlines:
Vocational basic grants- March 15, June 15, September 15, and November 15.
Higher Education basic grants – June 15 and November 15.
Competitive and Memorial Scholarships – June 15.

COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

Competitive applicants must submit a personal essay and two letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation will not be accepted from immediate family members. New letters must be submitted with each application.

Competitive Scholarships are awarded to students attaining the highest score in categories corresponding with their field of study.

Applications are scored as follows:

Grade point average	40 points
Essay	40 points
Letters of Recommendation	30 points
Personal impressions	10 points

Since Universities require graduate students to maintain a 3.0 grade point average to be in good standing, Graduate students scores will be considered independent of undergraduate students.

In addition, students awarded a competitive scholarship of \$5,000 or more and the Doyon Natural Resources Scholarship recipients are strongly encouraged to complete at least one summer internship during their four years of study.

Students receiving a competitive scholarship of \$3,000 are strongly encouraged to compliment their educational goals with a community service presentation by doing any of the following: Serve on their local or regional boards or commissions, volunteering a minimum of 20 hours to respective village council or give presentations on area of study. It is requested that students submit a written report to Doyon Foundation upon completion of their community service.

Undergraduate and vocational students will be limited to receiving \$10,000 in competitive *undergraduate* awards with the exception of the Natural Resources award, which is a multi-year program and any other such programs that are specified as multi-year by the donor. Graduate students *are* limited to receiving \$20,000 in competitive *graduate* awards.

ADVANCED COLLEGE CREDIT

High school students taking college classes are eligible for part time scholarships, unless their school district pays for it.