

2009-2010 NDSU Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application

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Diversity Waiver Qualifications

North Dakota State University is pleased to offer the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver to qualified students. For the purpose of the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver, cultural diversity is defined as anyone who comes from the following underrepresented groups:

- Native American/American Indian (*priority given to enrolled members of a tribe*)
- Alaskan Natives (*priority given to enrolled members of a village*)
- African American/Black
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Hispanic/Latino
- Multiracial/Multiethnic (from the above categories)
- Refugee
- Member of other traditionally underrepresented ethnic group

Among the students identified as culturally diverse, priority is given to students with:

- High financial need (based on results of the completed 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as of April 1, 2009)
- First generation college students
- Full time enrollment at North Dakota State University
- Single parent

Due to the limited number of waivers available, all students who meet the definition of cultural diversity are **not** guaranteed a Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver. To apply for the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver, a complete Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver application, with documentation, must be received in the Office of Admission by Wednesday April 1, 2009.

Diversity Waiver Procedures

To be considered for the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver, you must:

- Be admitted to North Dakota State University by April 1, 2009.
- Submit the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application by April 1, 2009.
- Submit the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), indicating NDSU's school code of 002997 by the priority deadline of March 15, 2009.
- Include tribal documentation with your Cultural Diversity Waiver Application if you are an enrolled member of a tribe.
- If you are a permanent resident, refugee, or a student in the process of obtaining permanent residency, you must provide a copy of your I-94, I-551, Permanent Residency Card, or other immigration documentation with your Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application.

Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Awards

- The Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver is included as part of your financial aid award package.
- The Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver does not exceed the amount of North Dakota full-time undergraduate resident tuition. It does not cover transportation, fees, books, room, board, or other costs of attendance.
- The Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver does not cover distance education, continuing education or self-support courses. Please refer to the "class notes" when registering for courses to determine whether the waiver will cover the course.
- Undergraduate Cultural Diversity Tuition Waivers will expire after five consecutive years (including summers if you decide to enroll in summer classes) or 15 semesters from the initial term awarded, whichever comes first.
- For master's degree students, the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver cannot exceed two years or six semesters.
- For doctoral students the Cultural Diversity Waiver cannot exceed three years or nine semesters.
- Each recipient may meet with a representative from Multicultural Student Services.
- Cultural Diversity Tuition Waivers may be renewed only if the student continues to meet the standards of satisfactory academic progress (SAP) for financial aid eligibility. For more information on the requirements, please go to the following Web site: <http://bisonconnection.ndsu.edu/finaid/sap/>

Please check the box that you most closely identifies you.

- Enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native** and villages as defined pursuant to the Alaskan Native Claims Settlement Act; and as such constitute a political group officially recognized by the United States government. *(If you mark this category, documentation of your enrollment must accompany this application).*

Please list your tribal affiliation and state _____

- American Indian** who is not an enrolled member, but has direct lineal descent from an enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native and Villages. **Do not check this box if you are an enrolled member of a tribe.**
- African American/Black** having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.
- Hispanic/Latino** having Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origins.
- Asian/Pacific Islander** having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast, Indian Subcontinent of the Pacific Islands.
- Multiracial/Multiethnic** from the above categories. Please specify _____
- Refugee** Please specify which country _____
- Member of other traditionally underrepresented ethnic group**

Please specify _____

Please review your application to ensure you have completed all areas and attached all necessary documentation. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver recipients will be notified in June. Please read and sign the statement below and submit this form to NDSU's Office of Admission by **April 1, 2009**.

My signature below certifies that I have read the information provided to me and I understand that I am not guaranteed a cultural diversity tuition waiver. The information I have provided on this form is true to the best of my knowledge and I understand that any false or conflicting information will eliminate me from consideration for the Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver.

Applicant's signature

Date

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