

If you are committed to a career in nursing, the ***I-WIN*** Program at North Dakota State University can help you succeed in the career path you choose:

- As a new student in the pre-nursing program
- As a transfer student into the BSN program from a two-year college or other nursing program
- From practicing LPN to BSN
- From BSN or MSN to DNP



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Indigenous Wisdom in Nursing Program (*I-WIN*)



**Increasing the presence and
contributions of American
Indian people through
careers in Nursing**

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I-WIN Mission

Throughout the nation, shortages in health care professions often affect rural communities and contribute to health disparities. Today, North Dakota is no exception, with a disproportionate number of employed American Indian nurses (less than 2%) there is a critical concern for limited access to quality health care in rural communities.

The *I-WIN* Program aims to address these concerns by:

- Providing an opportunity and supporting American Indian youth who want to serve in the profession of nursing.
- Providing support for American Indian nurses who are currently in practice to pursue an advanced degree.
- Increasing the availability of nurses who are well trained and prepared to deliver quality care to underserved and/or rural populations.
- Increasing the cultural competence of NDSU students and faculty to support a diverse campus community.



What is *I-WIN*?

I-WIN is a grant-funded program of the North Dakota State University School of Nursing that is designed to support the recruitment and retention of American Indian people into careers in nursing.

The *I-WIN* Program offers access to:

- **Scholarships** based on need, to cover tuition, fees, books and other related educational expenses.
- **Stipends** based on need, to assist in covering general living expenses for housing, daycare, groceries, utilities and transportation.
- **Mentorship** for nursing and pre-nursing students and other student services support.
- **Academic support** including advisement and tutoring.
- **A supportive environment** that honors cultural identity as a valued element of learning, healthcare and university resources.



How do I apply?

Each academic year, NDSU School of Nursing will award nursing students up to \$10,000 in tuition assistance and up to \$10,000 in living stipends for individuals meeting the program and grant requirements. Awards are based on need and covers tuition, fees, books and other related educational expenses.

Basic requirements for applicants:

- **Must be accepted into NDSU's nursing program (full or part-time status is acceptable, awards will be adjusted for part-time).**
- **Must demonstrate academic promise and commitment to obtaining an undergraduate/graduate degree in Nursing.**
- **Must demonstrate financial need as determined through completion of the Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA).**

Scholarship applications and instructions are available upon request. (See Contact Info)

The application deadline for each academic year is July 1.

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