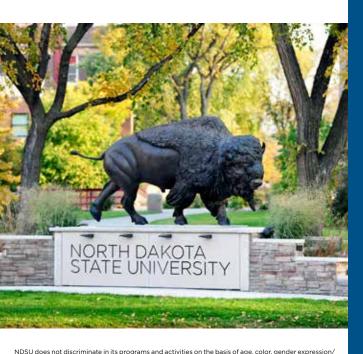
Indigenous Wisdom in Nursing *I-WIN* Program

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

- As a new student in the pre-nursing program
- As a pre-licensure student
- 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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Throughout the nation, shortages in health care professions often affect rural communities and contribute to health disparities. North Dakota is no exception. With a disproportionate number of American Indian nurses (less than 2%) employed in the nursing workforce, there is a critical concern for limited access to quality health care in rural communities.

The aim of the *I-WIN* Program is to:

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

I-WIN is a grant-funded program of the NDSU 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 rent, daycare, groceries, utilities and transportation
- Mentorship for nursing and pre-nursing students; career coaching
- Academic support, including advisement and tutoring
- A supportive environment that honors cultural identity as a valued element of learning, health care and university resources

Each academic year, the 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 cover 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.