

**University of Alberta
Indigenous Students' Union
Awards Application Winter 2025**

Mission Statement of the Indigenous Students' Union

Our mission is to create a safe and welcoming space to reaffirm and foster balance in spiritual, mental, physical, and emotional health through the promotion of culture, politics, academics, athletics, and other interpersonal interests, especially during tough economic times like now.

Mandate of the Indigenous Students' Union

The Indigenous Students' Union (ISU) is a student-run organization run by Indigenous students for Indigenous students. We are dedicated to providing a healthy space for Indigenous students while fostering positive relationships both inside and outside of the Indigenous community.

A Brief Note

This is the third iteration of the Awards program offered by the ISU. This iteration is a part of the three-year tradition. If you have any questions please contact us at Indigenous.su@ualberta.ca

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Indigenous Student Volunteerism Award

The Indigenous Student Volunteerism Award recognizes Indigenous students who, while attending post-secondary, make significant contributions to the community through volunteerism.

Value of Award:

\$1,000.00

Conditions:

Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student at the University of Alberta.

Documentation of Indigeneity is required.

Indigenous Student Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement

The Indigenous Student Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement recognizes Indigenous students who achieve academic excellence during their studies.

Value of Award:

\$1,000.00

Conditions:

Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student at the University of Alberta.

Must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in the preceding Fall and Winter terms. Must have the highest academic standing in the preceding Winter Term of all those who apply, based on both grade point average and the number of credits completed.

In the event that a distinction cannot be drawn on the basis of academic achievement, involvement in extracurricular activities may be considered.

Documentation of Indigeneity is required.

Transcript is required.

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Indigenous Student Athletics Award

The Indigenous Student Athletics Award recognizes the athletic achievements of Indigenous Students at the University of Alberta.

Value of Award:

\$1,000.00

Conditions:

Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student at the University of Alberta.

Preference will be given to Golden Bears or Pandas student-athletes.

Must maintain satisfactory academic standing.

Documentation of Indigeneity is required.

Student Allyship Award

The Student Allyship Award recognizes the allyship of non-Indigenous students, with ally defined as, “being an ally is about disrupting oppressive spaces by educating others on the realities and histories of marginalized people” (Indigenous Ally Toolkit, 2019, p. 1).

Value of Award:

\$1000.00

Conditions:

Must be enrolled as an undergraduate student at the University of Alberta.

Must identify as non-Indigenous.

Must be nominated by an Indigenous Member of the Indigenous Students' Union.

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(legal, For cheque) Last Name, First Name:
Preferred Name:
Mailing Address:
Postal Code:

Please select the one that applies to you.

- Undergraduate
 Graduate

UAlberta Email:

Do you identify as 'Aboriginal' under Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982?

- Yes; First Nations
 Yes; Métis
 Yes; Inuit
 No; Applying for Allyship Award

Which of the following awards are you applying for? Please select all that apply.

- Indigenous Student Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement
 Indigenous Student Athletics Award
 Indigenous Student Volunteerism Award
 Indigenous Student Allyship Award

Note: Numbers in parentheses are the page numbers in this application associated with the selected award. You are not required to fill out, or answer the questions on pages not related to the award(s) you are applying for. Nor do you have to send those pages in with your completed application.

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Indigenous Student Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Was your GPA above 2.5 in the previous Academic Year? *

Yes

No

Please attach your unofficial transcript to your application, or email your unofficial transcript to the Indigenous Students' Union email address Indigenous.su@ualberta.ca. *

To access your Unofficial Transcript, log in to your beartracks, select "Academic Records" select "Unofficial Transcript" on the left-hand side, then press "go". Once the screen with your Unofficial Transcript shows up, in the top left a green "Open PDF" button will appear, click that, a PDF will open in a new tab, from there you can download or print the file,

both buttons should appear in the top right. If you are emailing your transcript download the PDF from that screen, and send it as an attachment to Indigenous.su@ualberta.ca. If you choose to send it with the application, print it off and submit it with your application.

Note: Anything with an asterisk is a required question, in the event that the question is not answered/filled out your eligibility for the attached award will be removed. Should you need more space to answer the question, you may attach additional pieces of paper, or use the blank sheet provided in the back of the application.

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Indigenous Student Athletics Award

**Which University of Alberta Sports Team did you participate in during the last applicable semester?
Select all that apply...**

If the team you participated in is not included in the list, write it down in other, or if you are applying for your achievements in an athletic-related club, state the club name in "Other".

- Golden Bears/Pandas Hockey
- Golden Bears/Pandas Basketball
- Golden Bears/Pandas Volleyball
- Golden Bears/Pandas Soccer
- Golden Bears/Pandas Football
- Pandas Rugby
- Curling
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Swimming
- Cross Country
- Other: _____

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Indigenous Student Athletics Award cont.

What separates you from other applicants? *

Are there any achievements/successes your respective team achieved while you were participating on the team?

Is there any other information that you would like to include in regard to your athletic participation?

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Indigenous Student Volunteerism Award

Volunteer efforts during the year for which you are applying for this award. Past efforts will be considered up to and including the Summer preceding the beginning of the Fall semester in the current academic year. *

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Student Allyship Award

Nominating Member of the Indigenous Students' Union: _____*

How have you contributed to reconciliation, and/or the disruption of oppressive spaces in our University, and/or around the community? *

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Certification of Answers

Do you declare that all answers have been answered truthfully to the best of your abilities?

- Yes; Submit Application
- No; By selecting no you will no longer be considered a candidate for any awards

Note: In the event that it is found out that you were untruthful on any part of your application, you will be banned from applying for any Indigenous Students' Union awards for the rest of your degree, and will be removed as a member of the Indigenous Students' Union.

Please ensure you have included the name to that aligns with your bank account for the cheque writing.

Permission to Announce Award Recipient

Do we have your permission to release your name, and the award you receive on our Social Media?

- Yes
- No

Note: Your response does not affect your eligibility, or influence the decision-making process for any of the awards offered by the Aboriginal Student Council.