

**Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta presents  
the Wayne Wells Memorial Scholarship - An Aboriginal  
Finance and Management Careers Bursary**



**The Wayne Wells Memorial Scholarship is intended to assist Aboriginal students including Métis and Inuit students in Alberta pursue full-time post-secondary education in the finance and/or management field and for part-time students working towards a professional designation and working full-time. Two applicants who meet all the requirements will be awarded a \$1,000.00 scholarship.**

**Criteria**

- **Must be enrolled in a finance or management full-time program at a post-secondary institution or;**
- **Must be enrolled in part-time studies working towards a professional accounting designation (including CA, CMA, CGA and CAFM) and employed;**
- **Must be Aboriginal (Status, Non-Status, Inuit or Métis);**
- **Must be a resident of Alberta for three years;**
- **Must provide two letters of support (Aboriginal & Academic);**
- **Must write a 250 word essay detailing your finance and management career goals.**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

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| Last Name:   | First Name & Middle Initial:   |
| Mailing Address (Including Apt. or Box Number):  |  |
| Town/City:   | Province:  |
| Postal Code:   | Telephone:   |
| Other Telephone:   | Fax:   |
| Email:   |  |
| Date of Birth:   | Gender:<br>Female      or      Male  |
| Have you lived in Alberta all of your life?  | Yes      or      No  |
| If no, for how long?   |  |
| <b>Which Post-Secondary Institution do you plan to attend?</b>                           |  |
| Name of Institution:   | Location:  |
| Program Name and Faculty:  | Degree or Diploma Sought:  |
| Program Length:  | Year of Program (i.e. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> ): |
| Academic Year Begins:  | Academic Year Ends:  |
| Post-Secondary Student ID Number:  |  |
| What is your desired occupation?   |  |
| Please circle:<br>Indian Status          Indian Non-Status          Métis          Inuit |  |
| <b>**Include proof of Aboriginal status</b>  |  |

**A. EDUCATION RECORD** – Please list the last three schools, colleges or universities that you attended. If you have attended more than three educational institutions you may include the information on a separate resume.

| Period of Study |    | Institution         |         |
|-----------------|----|---------------------|---------|
| From            | To | Name of Institution | Program |
|                 |    |                     |         |
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**B. FINANCIAL INFORMATION** – Please attach a breakdown of your budget listing your expenses.

Where will you live while attending school? (I.e. with parents, own home, subsidized housing, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly expenses while attending school: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Include rent, utilities, food, clothing, and transportation, child-care and other expenses)

Monthly resources while attending school: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Include wages, spouse’s wages, Band funds, government funds, and any other monthly resources)

From August 1 to July 31, how many months will you be a full-time student?  
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**C. EMPLOYMENT** (If Applicable) – Please list the last three places of employment in the finance and/or management related field. If the work was volunteer work, please indicate that under the employer section.

| <b>Period of Employment</b> |           | <b>Employer</b>                            |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--|
| <b>From</b>                 | <b>To</b> | <b>(include type of work and location)</b> |
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**D. REFERENCES – Two reference letters must accompany your application.**

One letter must be from a member of your Aboriginal community. This letter should provide some background on your involvement in the rural or urban Aboriginal community and the appropriateness of your training. Without this letter your application will not be considered. Please indicate who will be providing this letter.

**Aboriginal letter of support from:** \_\_\_\_\_

The second letter should be from someone familiar with your academic efforts (preferably a former teacher). This letter should comment on your effort, achievement and attitude in school. Please indicate who will be providing this letter.

**Academic letter of support from:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E. ESSAY QUESTION (Please type your essay)**

**In 250 words, please provide a detailed description of your finance and management career goals.** Include information explaining why you chose this field, your experience with this area, your employment prospects and plans after graduation (include copies of any correspondence with prospective employers.) This is your opportunity to convince the committee that you're past experience and present study plans will help to meet the current and future finance and management needs of Alberta's Aboriginal population.

**F.** If you are selected for a Wayne Wells Memorial Scholarship Award, how do you plan to use the award? (Attach additional comments if space is insufficient)

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**Remember to type your essay and provide all supporting documentation including proof of Aboriginal Status.**

**Declaration must be signed.**

**G. DECLARATION OF APPLICANT**

I hereby make the following declaration that:

- a) I have answered all questions applicable to me and that the answers given in all parts of the application are true;
- b) I will be a full-time student at \_\_\_\_\_  
for the period of \_\_\_\_\_;  
**Or** a part-time student at \_\_\_\_\_  
For the period of \_\_\_\_\_;
- c) I shall use the proceeds for educational/living expenses directly related to my program:
- d) I understand that the value of awards, and the policies and procedure with regards to the administration of awards may change at the discretion of the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta Board of Directors;
- e) I agree to have my name published if I receive an award;
- f) I will immediately notify the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta in writing if I withdraw from my studies before completing one semester of studies.
- g) I agree to become an honorary member of the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I understand and agree that:

- a) My personal information pertaining to my post-secondary academic enrollment status may be released and exchanged by and between the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta and the education institution for the purpose of determining my eligibility for a scholarship;
- b) My personal information may be released and exchanged by and between Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta and the provincial government departments, boards, or institutions to verify the information I have provided to Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta, and for the use in research and statistical analysis in program evaluation.

I authorize the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta to release my name, address, program of study and award value if I receive the scholarship.

I request that the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta contact me to seek consent to use my personal information for any other purpose.

Please circle: Yes or No

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Signature of Applicant

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Today's Date (In ink)

**It is the responsibility of applicants to ensure their application is complete.**

**Have you included the following?**

- √ proof of Aboriginal status,
- √ an original transcript,
- √ a typed finance and/or management career essay,
- √ Two letters of reference.

**Complete package (original) must be postmarked no later than December 30, 2009 to:**

**Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta  
PO Box 1010  
Siksika, AB T0J 3W0**

**Notification of results may be expected by January 30, 2010**

**If you have any questions, please contact the Aboriginal Financial Officers Association of Alberta at (403) 734-5441 or (403) 734-5446 or fax to 403-398-0601.**