



Gwichyaa Zheeh Gwich'in Tribal Government
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GZGTG EDUCATION/EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT

HIGHER EDUCATION APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW STUDENTS

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

1. _____ GZGTG/NVfy Scholarship Application (submitted before the deadline date).
2. _____ Copy of Letter of Acceptance from College or degree program you will be attending.
3. _____ Official Transcripts/Diploma:
Copy of High School Transcripts and Diploma w/graduation date OR if GED, date received. Continuing students need to submit grades to GZGTG after each semester/term.
4. _____ Apply for the PELL GRANT.
5. _____ Copy of Tribal Enrollment Card or a Verification of Alaska Native Ancestry both of which may be obtained from NVfy Enrollment Office.

PLEASE SUBMIT APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING:

GZGTG Education/Employment Department
Attn: Education/Employment Director
P.O. Box 126, 3rd & Alder St.
Fort Yukon, AK 99740



Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government Higher Education Grant Program

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

GZGTG Higher Education Grant funds are a supplemental resource, applicants are required to apply to all available State, Federal, and private financial aid, and all available student-family resources, before funding from GZGTG will be considered.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the GZGTG Higher Education Grant Program is to financially assist eligible GZGTG enrolled tribal members of who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, and who can demonstrate financial need.

ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible for Higher Education grants, an applicant must:

- Be a tribal member of Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government
- Have a high school diploma or GED
- Show financial need as determined by the college or university official after grant and scholarship funding from colleges, private, state, federal, personal and family sources are utilized.
- Accepted into University or accredited institution

DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY:

An applicant's eligibility shall be determined by the GZGTG Education Department Staff and/or Education Committee.

REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:

New student:

1. Tribal ID
2. Application and Agreement form
3. Personal Statement
4. Budget Forecast
5. High School or GED Diploma
6. Official Transcripts
7. Letter of Acceptance from college/University.

Returning student:

1. Application and Agreement form
2. Personal Statement
3. Budget Forecast
4. Official Transcripts
5. Meet the academic requirements

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The grant application and all other required items must be in GZGTG Education Department Office no later than: July 15th for Fall Semester and December 15th for Spring Semester.

NOTIFICATIONS AND PAYMENT OF AWARDS:

GZGTG Education/Employment Department will notify applicants in writing regarding the approval/disapproval of their application. Notifications of approval will specify the amount of award.

Higher Education: Degree seeking M.A., B.A., A.A., & Certificate

- Full-time \$3,500.00 per semester
- Part-time \$1,500.00 per semester

Payment/Award will be sent to the Financial Aid Office of the institution that the student will be attending. Such award will be in the student's name, in care of the institution, and will be released based on enrollment information by the Financial Aid Officer.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS:

For continuation of funding under the GZGTG Higher Education Grants Program:

- Full-time undergraduate students must maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) while earning 12+ credit hours per semester
- Part-time undergraduate students must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA while earning 6 – 11 credit hours per semester

If a new student applies with a GPA below the criteria, the student will immediately be placed on probation for the first funding period. If a returning student's GPA falls below the criteria during any funding period, the student will be placed on probation. If the student fails to increase his/her cumulative GPA to the minimum level during the probation period, sequential funding will be canceled and the student must successfully complete a semester before reapplying for funding.

PROGRESS EVALUATIONS:

All students who have been funded by GZGTG in excess of four (4) years may have their college transcripts reviewed for purpose of evaluating the student's progress and to determine student's effort to complete his/her educational goals.

APPEALS PROCESS:

You may write a letter of appeal and submit it to Tribal Operations Department, which will then be reviewed by the Education Committee.

FINANCIAL AID NEED SHEET

Name: _____

(Last, First, and Middle Initial or Maiden Name)

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

School/University Name: _____

I give permission for the above institution to release financial and academic information to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (B.I.A.) and to the Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government.

Signed _____

Date _____

Telephone Number: (____) _____ - _____ (____) _____ - _____
Home Mobile

Student is: Single _____ Married _____ Dependent _____ Self-Supporting _____

Spring Semester _____ Fall Semester _____

Comments:

- ____ Student has not applied for Financial Aid
- ____ Student applied late (date application received: _____)
- ____ Student's application is incomplete
- ____ Funds exhausted at institution

Student Resources & Institution

Award Type of Aid

- Alaska Student Loan: _____
- Work-study Program: _____
- PELL Grant: _____
- SEOG: _____
- DOYON: _____
- OTHER (details): _____

COLLEGE BUDGET:

- Tuition: _____
- Room: _____
- Meals: _____
- Fees: _____
- Books: _____
- Other: _____
- Total: _____
- Total Resources: _____
- Unmet Need: _____

Financial Aid Officer's Signature: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

To Financial Aid Officer

Return Original to:

GZGTG, Attn: Education Department
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TRANSCRIPT RELEASE REQUEST

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN;

I hereby authorize you to release my financial and academic records (including grades) to the Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government. Please forward an official transcript to the Gwichyaa Zhee Gwich'in Tribal Government Education Department at the above address.

Printed Name

Maiden Name (If applicable)

Signature

Date

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Name of School:

Address:

Last year attended: _____