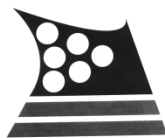


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ISSKSINIIP PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

The Issksiniip Project at MSU- Great Falls College of Technology in partnership with Blackfeet Community College, funded by the US Department of Health and Human Services' Health Professions Opportunity Grant, will aid low-income individuals in gaining self-sufficiency through lucrative educational and internship opportunities intertwined with culturally appropriate training in high demand healthcare fields.

To be considered for participation in the project, students must qualify for eligibility under the following guidelines:

- Active tribal or non-tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) participants and other individuals whose income does not exceed 200% of the federal poverty guidelines.
- Commitment to a career in the health field
- Commitment to participate in health professions internship projects
- Commitment to complete certification/degree program in a timely manner
- Commitment to provide healthcare services

Equal preference will be given to Blackfeet enrolled members and descendants, followed by students of other Native American status. The Issksiniip Project will provide participants with support services to ensure successful completion of their academic programs. Services include, but are not limited to the following:

Academic Advising/Counseling

Assessment Testing

Mentoring

Placement Services/Career Guidance

Tuition and Fees/Books and Supplies

Childcare/Transportation

Attached are the Issksiniip Project Participant Application and the checklist for additional documentation. Prospective students must complete the application and return the required documentation to be considered for participation. For *priority* consideration, applications must be submitted by February 10, 2012. Please return the completed application to:

The Financial Aid Office
Student Central
MSU-Great Falls College of Technology
2100 16th Ave S
Great Falls, MT 59405

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2011-2012

Participant Application

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Phone No.: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Current TANF Recipient: Yes ___ No ___

Area of Interest in Healthcare Careers:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dental Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Billing and Coding Specialist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dental Hygiene | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Transcription |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dietetic Technician | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Technician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Therapist Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Information Coding Specialist | <input type="checkbox"/> Practical Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Information Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Radiologic Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Informatics Tech | <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory Care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Billing Specialist | <input type="checkbox"/> Surgical Technology |

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ISSKSINIIP PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

The MSU – GF ISSKSINIIP committee reviews submitted application packets. The **postmarked date** of submission of a complete application packet will be the decisive factor for accepting students into the project. The earliest postmarks will be given the highest priority and only complete applications will be accepted for evaluation purposes. Only students in Good Academic Standing will be eligible for acceptance.

Additional Applicant Requirements

Checklist	Applicant Requirements
	Applicants are required to <i>submit two letters of recommendation</i> . Letters should include student’s academic/career goals and how the student will benefit from participation in the Issksiniip Project.
	If Native American, applicants are required to <i>provide proof of tribe enrollment or descendent status</i> .
	To establish GPA, applicants are required to <i>provide their most recent transcripts (unofficial transcripts will be accepted)</i> . <i>Students may provide high school transcripts (or GED scores), prior college transcripts, or current MSU-Great Falls transcripts, whichever provides the MOST RECENT CGPA.</i>
	Applicants must submit <i>documentation verifying TANF eligibility. If not a TANF recipient, other documentation verifying income below 200% of the Federal poverty guidelines will be accepted (Food Stamps, SNAP, WIC, Free and Reduced Lunch program, etc.)</i>
	Applicants are required to be <i>Montana residents</i> .
	Applicants must have <i>a CGPA of 2.0 or higher</i> .

Signature

Date