

VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY

APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY TUITION WAIVER

Recognizing the educational benefit of a culturally diverse student population, Valley City State University administers a tuition waiver program. Special emphasis of this program is to recruit, assist, and retain enrolled members of federally recognized American Indian tribes and Alaska Natives and Villages, and graduates of tribally controlled community colleges in North Dakota.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet one of the following definitions for eligibility under this program:

- A. Enrolled members of federally recognized American Indian Tribes, and Alaska Native and Villages as defined pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; and as such constitute a political group officially recognized by the United States government.
- B. Members of a culturally diverse group, who are defined as individuals historically under-represented (African American, American Indian, Asian American, or Hispanic) persons of different cultural, racial or ethnic heritage.

Special Emphasis

- A. Enrolled members of federally recognized American Indian Tribes and Alaska Natives and Villages with particular emphasis to enrolled members of the Devils Lake Sioux Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.
- B. Graduates of North Dakota Tribal Colleges.
- C. Beginning freshmen and transfer students.

Academic Considerations

- A. Past academic performance may be used in determining initial eligibility.
- B. In order to be eligible for renewal, recipients must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00
- C. Recipients must be enrolled full-time.

Amount of Waiver-Duration

- A. Waivers will not exceed the amount of tuition. Tuition waivers do not include application fees, books, student fees, board, room, or other costs of attendance.
- B. Waivers will typically be awarded as partial waivers.
- C. Recipients shall be limited to a maximum of five years as an undergraduate student.
- D. Waivers are granted for a period of one academic year. Students must re-apply each year for consideration.
- E. Waivers do not apply to online courses.

To Apply

- A. Complete a Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application. For top consideration this must be mailed before April 15 (see reverse side).
- B. Attach Verification of Tribal Enrollment, if appropriate.

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1. Full Name:

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Current Address:

3. Permanent Address:

4. I am applying for the cultural diversity tuition waiver as:

- American Indian
- Enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe*
- Alaskan Native
- Graduate of a ND tribally controlled community college
- African/American
- Asian/American
- Hispanic
- Other (please explain) _____

5. Check One:

- New Freshman
- New Transfer Student
- Returning VCSU Student
- Other _____

6. ACT or SAT Score _____ High School Class Rank _____ / _____ Cumulative High School GPA or % _____.

7. Cumulative College GPA _____ most recent term GPA _____.
Total College Credits Earned to Date _____.

8. List special interests and/or extracurricular activities.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

*Please attach verification of Tribal enrollment.

<p><u>Office Use Only</u></p> <p>Date Received: _____</p> <p>App. for Admission: Y__N__</p> <p>NAID # _____</p> <p>Previous Recipient: Y__N__</p>
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Please return this application to the address below. Deadline to apply is April 15th.

Student Affairs Office
Valley City State University
101 College Street
Valley City, ND 58072