

# Application for Montana University System American Indian Tuition Waiver

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

You may qualify for the American Indian Tuition Waiver if you meet the following criteria:

- You are a resident of the State of Montana when you enroll in one of the two or four year colleges of the Montana University System, and
- You are at least one-quarter (1/4) degree of Indian blood; or are an enrolled member of a state or federally recognized Indian tribe which is located within the boundaries of the State of Montana. Accepted documentation as follows: CIB (Certificate of Indian Blood) letter or card; Tribal Enrollment Card; Form letter(s) documenting descendency (birth certificate) that equal ¼ or more; and document of parent (grandparent) enrollment and/or degree of blood, and
- You have demonstrated financial need as defined by Board of Regents Policy 940.13 (F) (4) and verified by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You must complete and submit the FAFSA **each** academic year you are requesting this fee waiver.

## STATE RECOGNIZED TRIBES LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF MONTANA

- Assiniboine
- Blackfeet
- Chippewa Cree
- Crow
- Gros Ventre
- Kootenai

- Little Shell Chippewa
- Northern Cheyenne
- Pend d'Oreille
- Salish
- Sioux

FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBES: <u>http://www.ncsl.org/issues-research/tribal/list-of-federal-and-state-recognized-tribes.aspx#mt</u>

### LIMITATIONS:

- The American Indian Tuition Waiver **does not waive fees**, only the tuition is waived. Fees not covered by this waiver are your responsibility.
- This waiver cannot be used with other state tuition waivers.
- Tuition waivers will continue as long as you maintain satisfactory academic progress according to the standards detailed in the brochure or guide provided by the Financial Aid Office at the college you attend.

Name:		Tribal Enrollment: Number		
Address:	Cit	y:	State:	Zip:
Telephone:	Email:			
Name of Your Tribe (print):				
Address:	Cit	y:	State:	Zip:
Telephone:	Email or Website: _			
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Signature		Date	UM Student ID	
SUBMIT THIS FOR	M AND DOCUMENTATION TO	YOUR CAM	PUS FINANCIAL AID	OFFICE

Once this form is completed and approved, you do not need to complete it again, as long as you remain continuously enrolled at this campus and you maintain satisfactory academic progress.

#### PROOF OF INDIAN DESCENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM