



2018-2019 School Year  
Application

# Native American Scholarship Program

Administered By:



## Undergraduate Application

The Phoenix Indian Center is proud to continue the Freeport-McMoran Scholarship Program. The scholarship is funded by the Freeport-McMoran Foundation and administered by the Phoenix Indian Center, Inc.

*The value of this scholarship is \$2,500/per semester for attendance at a four-year university or tribal college and \$1,250/per semester for attendance at a community college. It is the goal of Freeport-McMoran to create strong relationships with the students funded by this scholarship who are becoming model employees of the future.*

Please review the information provided and contact the Phoenix Indian Center with any questions.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Student must be an enrolled member of one of the following tribes:
  - Hualapai
  - San Carlos Apache
  - White Mountain Apache
  - Tohono O’odham
- Student is attending a community college or four-year public university in Arizona.
- Students entering college as freshman, as well as sophomores and juniors are welcome to apply. *Not applicable for part-time students. Not applicable for graduate school.*
- In no event will a student receive a scholarship for more than a combined maximum of four years of undergraduate study.

## ACADEMIC CRITERIA

- Student must have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA and be in good current academic standing to apply.
- Candidate must enroll or be enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours) in one of the following disciplines or degree programs:

### Primary:

- Minerals Engineering (mining, metallurgy, geology, chemical or environmental)
- Education (e.g., teaching/ specifically in STEM related fields)

### Secondary:

- Business or business-related majors (e.g., accounting, finance, economics, math)
- Engineering (e.g. civil, chemical, electrical, mechanical)
- Life Sciences (e.g. biology, nursing, pharmacy, pre-med, public health)
- Natural Sciences (e.g., chemistry, physics)
- Sustainability (e.g. environmental)
- Technology (e.g., computer science, programming, database)

*Note: Students enrolled in Primary degree programs will receive some preference over secondary degree programs.*

## SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL

- Scholarship renewal is contingent upon maintaining good academic standing and meeting the GPA requirement on a semester-by-semester or quarter-by-quarter basis (2.5).
- Prior receipt of a scholarship does not guarantee a future academic year scholarship.
- If a scholarship awardee is unable to finish the Fall semester because of an unexpected occurrence please let Phoenix Indian Center know as soon as possible. Freeport-McMoRan will evaluate any and all documentation and determine whether funds for the Spring will be awarded. This will be determined on a case by case basis assuming all criteria are met.

*Scholarships will be awarded for one academic year and paid by semester or quarterly and be a part of the student's financial aid package. First semester / quarter grades will be required for second semester disbursement.*

*Note: Students who have previously received a scholarship will receive some preference over first-time applicants based on continued eligibility and academic standing.*

## APPLICATION/SELECTION PROCESS

### Deadlines

- **Application Deadline is June 1, 2018**
  - Applications submitted **electronically and by fax**: Applications must be received on or before 11:59 PM Arizona time on June 1, 2018
  - Applications submitted by **postal mail**: Applications must be postmarked on or before June 1, 2018

### Award Notifications

- Applications will be reviewed in June and scholarship recipients will be notified by July 15, 2018 by the Phoenix Indian Center, Inc.

### Note: Application Materials Submitted

- All application materials, once submitted and received, become the property of the Phoenix Indian Center, Inc.
- By applying for this scholarship, all applicants agree to receive periodic information regarding available employment and intern opportunities, and other relevant company news from Freeport-McMoRan.

## CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THIS SCHOLARSHIP

**Mailing Address:** Phoenix Indian Center, Inc. / 4520 N. Central Ave. Ste. 250 / Phoenix, AZ 85012

**Phone Number:** 602.264.6768 Fax Number: 602.274.7486

**Email:** ftahbo@phxindcenter.org

## CHECKLIST OF MATERIALS TO BE CONSIDERED A COMPLETE APPLICATION

Below lists all materials necessary for a **complete** application

- Completed Cover Sheet – Sections 1, 2 and 3 with applicant signature and date in Section 4  
**Fill this out completely and return (pages 4, 5, 6) with the following items**
- Personal essay (Section 3)  
Refer to the attached Personal Essay guidelines in this packet.
- One letter of recommendation  
Refer to the **Letter of Recommendation Guidelines** in this packet for additional directions on what is required.  
Additional letters of recommendation are optional and favorably considered.  
  
*\*Letter of recommendation **MUST** be mailed separately (by the persons recommending you) in a sealed envelope to: Fawn Tahbo before 11:59pm on June 1, 2018 for your application to be considered complete*
- Documentation of grade point cumulative (GPA)  
Submit an unofficial undergraduate copy of GPA  
If an entering college freshman, this documentation would come from your graduating high school
- Documentation of ACT or SAT test scores (incoming freshman only)
- Documentation of completed FASFA  
Provide a copy of your FASFA completed forms
- Documentation of Tribal Membership  
Submit a copy of your Certificate of Indian Blood or written documentation from your tribal registrar
- Documentation of acceptance into university OR enrollment verification  
*Incoming freshman:* submit a letter of acceptance from college or university  
*Current college students:* submit enrollment verification or class schedule for Fall 2018  
*Transferring students:* submit a letter of acceptance from college or university  
*Continuing college students:* submit enrollment verification or class schedule for Fall 2018

**\*Please review your application and make sure Sections 1, 2 and 3 are filled out completely.**

**SECTION 1: STUDENT INFORMATION [coversheet/top page –return this section when completed]**

<b>APPLICATION DATE:</b>	
<b>NAME:</b> Last, First, Middle	
<b>MEMBER TRIBE:</b>	
<b>UNIVERSITY/COMMUNITY COLLEGE/TRIBAL COLLEGE</b> (List the name of the primary school you are attending. If you are taking credits at more than one school, please list them all and include the number of credit hours taken at each.)	Primary:  Secondary:  Other:
<b>STUDENT ID NUMBER</b> (Primary):	
<b>COLLEGE CLASSIFICATION</b> for the upcoming academic year: (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior)	
<b>COLLEGE MAJOR:</b>	
<b>COLLEGE MINOR:</b>	
<b>EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE:</b>	
<b>SAT/ACT SCORE:</b> (incoming freshman only)	
<b>HIGH SCHOOL CUMULATIVE GPA:</b> (for those applying as Freshman)	
<b>UNIVERSITY CUMULATIVE GPA:</b> (for those currently enrolled in college)	

<b>CURRENT OR HOME ADDRESS:</b> Street/PO Box, City, State, Zip code			
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b> (Include Area Code):			
<b>PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS:</b>			
<b>COLLEGE ADDRESS:</b> Street/PO Box, City, State, Zip code			
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b> (Include Area Code):		<b>FAX NUMBER</b> (Include Area Code):	
<b>COLLEGE EMAIL ADDRESS:</b>			
<b>PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) NAME(S):</b>			
<b>LIST ANY OTHER WAYS WE CAN CONTACT YOU</b>			

**SECTION 2: TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF**

\*Add more boxes and continue on a separate page if needed. Be sure to return with application

1. List the names of clubs or organizations of which you were or are a member, elected offices/leadership positions (if any), and years of participation:

Name of Club/Organization	Elected Offices or Leadership Positions (if any)	Years of Participation
<b>Brief Description of Club/Organization:</b>		
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2. List activities (extracurricular, community, volunteer, religious, tutoring, military or reserves, royalty, rodeos, community planning sessions, cultural clubs, language classes, attendance to National Congress of American Indians or other summits and conferences, UNITY) or sports (including intramural, NABI) of which you were a team member or are a member, elected offices/leadership positions (if any), and years of participation:

Name of Activity/Sport	Elected Offices or Leadership Positions (if any)	Years of Participation
<b>Brief Description of the Activity/Sport:</b>		
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3. List honors/awards and years received:

Name of Honor or Award	Year Received

4. List professional work, part-time jobs (including WIA jobs), internships, fellowships or college work study you held during the school year and/or current employment:

Name of Employer	Position Held	Employment Date & Number of Hours worked per week
<b>Supervisor Name and Contact Information:</b>		

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5. Do you have an interest in an internship or employment at Freeport-McMoRan in the future? (Please just enter "Yes" or "No"). If "Yes", please list a field or position of interest.

6. Are you available to attend a Meet & Greet in the Fall 2018 or Spring 2019 to learn more about internships and employment opportunities at Freeport-McMoRan? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Have you received a Freeport-McMoRan Native American Scholarship in the past? \_\_\_\_\_
8. If yes, in which school year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_
9. If so, did you maintain the scholarship for both the Fall and Spring semesters? \_\_\_\_\_
10. If NO, please briefly explain why you were not eligible to receive the award for the Spring semester.

**SECTION 3: PERSONAL ESSAY**

- Submit one (1) typed page, no less than 300 words or more than 500 words
- Answer the following three questions in your essay:
  - What are your motivations for attending college?
  - What are some of your personal, educational and professional goals?
  - What are some successes/accomplishments or obstacles/challenges you have overcome in life?

Below is an example of how your essay should be formatted. General information in the top right corner and the essay title centered below.

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Date:  
Name:  
Member Tribe:  
Grade Level:

(Title shall be **bolded**, *italicized*, centered and in 12 point font)

**SECTION 4: SIGNATURE (return with application)**

I affirm by my signature that I have furnished all information requested in this application and that I meet the above Student Criteria. I understand that submitting any false information to the Phoenix Indian Center for the Native American College Scholarship, including but not limited to, false transcripts, test scores or any information contained on this form or withholding information about my previous academic history will make my scholarship application as well as any future scholarship applications, subject to denial.

I also hereby authorize and give consent to Freeport-McMoRan to contact me via Phoenix Indian Center about possible internships and/or job opportunities within the organization.

Applicant's Signature

Date

## Freeport-McMoRan Foundation Native American College Scholarship Letters of Recommendation Guidelines

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The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation Native American College Scholarship Program requires you to submit **two (2) letters of recommendations** in addition to a completed application and other mandatory information stated in the application found online at [www.freeportinmycommunity/nativeamericanprograms](http://www.freeportinmycommunity/nativeamericanprograms) and [www.phoenixindcenter.org](http://www.phoenixindcenter.org).

***Please Note***\* This document must be shared with the individuals submitting your letters of recommendation.

### **Requirements for the Letters of Recommendation:**

- Two (2) letters are required. Additional letters of recommendation are optional and favorably considered
- Letters will be submitted in a sealed envelope and written on the institution's letterhead
- Letters will be sent from the institution, separate of the application process
- Letters shall be current and written in the same year that the applicant is applying for (i.e. applications for 2018-2019 school years shall not be dated no earlier than 2018)
- No person presenting a conflict of interest to the applicant shall submit a letter of recommendation i.e. immediate relatives
- Letters will be no more than two (2) pages in length, one-sided
- Letters will begin with "Dear Freeport-McMoRan Native American Scholarship Selection Committee"

Remember, it is your responsibility to follow-up on the letters of recommendations submitted on your behalf.

Please contact Fawn Tahbo at [ftahbo@phxindcenter.org](mailto:ftahbo@phxindcenter.org) or at 602-264-6768 ext. 2305 to verify your letters have been received before the due date, **11:59pm June 1, 2018**. Your letters of recommendation are confidential and viewed only by the Native American Scholarship Selection Committee.

### **Standard Information**

Ensure your letter of recommendation includes:

- Full name of scholarship applicant
- Acquaintance with the person submitting the letter on your behalf. Include h/is/er title if applicable, length of association and in what capacities (i.e. professional etc.) and current contact information including email address



### Frequently Asked Questions

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#### **Who** can write a letter of recommendation for you?

Teachers, counselors, employers, and other non-relatives are welcome to submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf. It is highly recommended that you ask someone who knows you directly and can best explain your academic history and career goals.

#### **What** can s/he write about in my letter of recommendation?

Topics in your letter shall include your unique qualifications and how you will benefit from and/or are deserving of this scholarship. Explain how the scholarship applicant has overcome challenges. List the scholarship applicant's talents, academic abilities, strengths, and overall potential. Briefly discuss the applicant's character and participation in school, in the company, in the community, etc.

#### **Letters of Recommendation Submissions:**

- Submit in a sealed envelope by 11:59pm June 1, 2018
- Address to:
  - Fawn Tahbo
  - c/o Phoenix Indian Center, Inc.
  - Freeport-McMoRan Native American College Scholarship Program
  - 4520 N. Central Ave. Ste. 250
  - Phoenix, AZ 85012

**For Questions:** Contact Fawn Tahbo [ftahbo@phxindcenter.org](mailto:ftahbo@phxindcenter.org) or 602-264-6768 ext. 2305

#### **For More Information:**

[www.freeportinmycommunity/nativeamericanprograms](http://www.freeportinmycommunity/nativeamericanprograms)

[www.phoenixindcenter.org](http://www.phoenixindcenter.org)

## About Freeport-McMoRan

- Freeport-McMoRan is a premier U.S.-based natural resource company with an industry leading global portfolio of mineral assets.
- Headquarters in Phoenix, Arizona
- The world's largest publicly traded producer of copper
- Have a dynamic portfolio of operating, expansion and growth projects
- Portfolio of assets includes: the Grasberg minerals district, the world's largest copper and gold mine in terms of recoverable reserves; significant mining operations in the Americas, including the large-scale Morenci and Safford minerals districts in North America and the Cerro Verde and El Abra operations in South America; and the Tenke Fungurume minerals district in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)
- Have mining operations on four continents – North America, South America, Africa and Indonesia – and exploration offices around the globe
- Employ approximately 52,000 employees and contractors worldwide
- Ranked 156 on the *Fortune* 500 and 289 on the *FT Global* 500
- Follow the International Council on Mining & Metals 10 Sustainable Development Principles and commitments
- Work openly and collaboratively with communities, governments and stakeholders to maximize positive impacts and contribute to community development
- Implement programs to minimize/mitigate environmental impacts and conserve biodiversity/wildlife habitat on Company land
- Address the needs, cultures and customs of indigenous people near our operations

For additional information, please visit our website: [www.fcx.com](http://www.fcx.com).

## About Phoenix Indian Center

- Is the oldest and the first created Native American non-profit organization in the Nation and is a primary resource of social, economic, educational, leadership, employment and training for Native people
- Was formed in 1947 as an outgrowth of Native people began moving to urban Phoenix, not only to sell their crafts and goods but as a result of the Federal Government's Indian Relocation Act.
- Provides services for both youth and adults along with targeting the family structure as a whole
- Youth services include substance abuse prevention programming, cultural enrichment, in-school support groups and suicide prevention awareness
- Adult services include employment counseling/job training and job readiness classes, adult education (GED) classes and Life Skills classes
- Family-based services include case management, language and culture classes, and on-site childcare for customers utilizing PIC services
- Provides a home environment for Native people looking for opportunity and finding a difficult and challenging, foreign and unfamiliar environment in the valley
- Collaborates with other Indian and non-Indian agencies to improve the lifestyle of urban Indians

For additional information, please visit: [www.phxindcenter.org](http://www.phxindcenter.org).