

Undergraduate Summer Studentship

Purpose: to provide funding to support undergraduate First Nations, Metis, and Inuit students engaging in health and wellness research during the summer months (May - August) in an environment that provides strong mentorship.

Funding Details:

Use of Funds:

- Student salary support for a duration of two, three or four months between May - August.
- No supervisor or project overhead costs can be deducted from the funds.

Funds available: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$18,000 per fiscal year (April 1 - March 31). Applications are accepted in the Winter semester and reviewed by the SK-IMN Awards & Adjudication committee until the annual amount available is expended. In the event of unused funds, these will be rolled into the next year's pool and/or used for undergraduate travel awards.

Eligibility

- Métis, First Nations, and Inuit students enrolled full-time in an undergraduate program at the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina, or First Nations University, Sask Polytechnic.
- Conducting a summer research project related to health and wellness (any discipline and methodology).
- Supervised by a faculty member at the University of Saskatchewan, University of Regina, or First Nations University who has sufficient funding to support the proposed research.
- OR Supervised by a faculty member in partnership with a community member, community or First Nations, Métis, or Inuit organization who has sufficient funding to support the proposed research.

Application Requirements:

- Completed application form
- Completed SK-IMN registration form
- Letter of support from the faculty member (and if applicable the community or organization)



- Letter providing proof of sufficient funding to support the research project (outside of student salary)
- Proof of Indigenous ancestry. See our [website](#) for what is considered acceptable proof of ancestry.

Evaluation of Applications

- Applications will be reviewed yearly in the Winter semester by the SK-IMN Awards and Adjudication Committee
- Priority will be given to first time applicants and awardees can receive one award per fiscal year.
- Priority to students who have not received this award previously and/or who have not previously participated in research.
- First Nations, Métis, or Inuit students are eligible to apply for the Undergraduate Summer Studentship and be nominated as the student for the New Investigator Support for Undergraduate Summer Studentship; however, the student will only be permitted to receive one of the awards. The committee will do their best to ensure as many students have support for summer studentships as possible.

SK-IMN Accountabilities: On condition of receiving the stipend, students have to meet specific obligations, including:

- Student will actively participate in the SK-IMN's resources and activities
- Team will be featured on the network's website i.e. info on research project or mentor/mentee relationship
- The student will present their research via a poster presentation at the Mentorship Network's Annual Gathering.