



Native American Natural Resource Research Scholarship



The Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), in partnership with the USDA Forest Service Research and Development is pleased to announce scholarship opportunities for Native American graduate students who are planning or currently conducting tribally relevant research in a natural resource issue.

Deadline: December 2, 2024, 5:00 p.m. PST

Award: Varies, not to exceed \$5,000

Purpose: The ITC Research Scholarship is designed to support tribally relevant, natural resource-based research being conducted by Native American scholars enrolled in a graduate program.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS: The ITC Education Selection Committee will review and rank only those applications that completely address the following criteria:

1. **Letter of Application:** The letter must include your name, permanent mailing address, email address and phone number. Discuss your current educational program and how the tribally relevant proposed research fits into both your degree in natural resources and your future.
2. **Resume**
3. **Evidence of validated enrollment in a federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation,** as established by the U.S. Government. Accepted documents include a copy of your member or descendent enrollment card, front and back, or completed BIA Form 4432 Verification of Indian Preference for Employment, download at <https://bit.ly/BIAForm4432>.
4. **Mini Research Proposal:** Please keep this concise, 4 page maximum not counting budget and justification. Required elements include:
 - a. Abstract stating research merit and explaining how this research is relevant to tribal natural resource interests.
 - b. Timeline and methodology.
 - c. Dissemination plan, including a tribal component.
 - d. Budget and budget justification.
5. **Letters of Reference / Support.** Letters of reference are not accepted directly from referrals, submit with your completed application.
 - a. A letter of reference / support from an academic advisor or committee member is required.
 - b. A second letter of support from a tribal resource manager or a tribal representative with tribal approval of the project or the relevancy of the project to the tribe is required.

DELIVERY OF APPLICATION: Create one email attaching all required documents and submit to intertribaltimbercouncil@gmail.com up until the close of business (5:00 p.m. PT) on **December 2, 2024**. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. PDF attachment(s) preferred, download free Adobe Acrobat Reader <https://get.adobe.com/reader> to view & print PDFs. Google docs are not accepted.

Questions can be submitted to ITC by email intertribaltimbercouncil@gmail.com or phone 503-282-4296.