

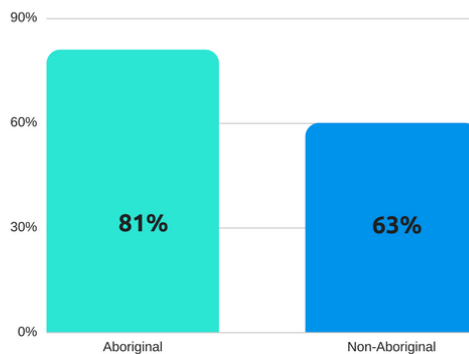
UBC Learning Circle: Dollars and Sense Webinar

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Objective: To let you know about financial supports for Aboriginal students interested in post-secondary education as well as UBC-specific supports for Aboriginal students.

WHAT DO THE NUMBERS SAY?

According to the New-to-UBC Survey 2015:



- Scholarships/Bursaries/Grants provide funding to 81% of Aboriginal Students
- 1 in 4 students want to know more about budgeting & financial planning options

Financial supports for Aboriginal students

Key dates:

July 15: deadline to apply for student loans for September

Aug 15 – Sept 15: window to apply for UBC Bursary program and UBC Aboriginal Awards

Inside UBC

- Find information on **awards for new** UBC students at:
<http://you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/scholarships-awards-canadian-students/>
- Read about tuition waivers for **youth-in-care** at:
<http://you.ubc.ca/financial-planning/loans-bursaries/youth-in-care-tuition-waiver/>
- Find out about UBC General Bursary for current UBC students at:
<https://students.ubc.ca/enrolment/finances/awards-scholarships-bursaries/ubc-bursary>

Outside UBC

- **Sponsorship** from an Aboriginal community can help students cover portions of tuition and/or living expenses
- Find **external scholarships** such as:
 - Indspire (<https://indspire.ca/>) – August 1st deadline (extended from June 1)
 - New Relationship Trust (<http://www.newrelationshiptrust.ca/funding/for-students/>)

Enrolment Services Professionals (ESP) at UBC

ESPs can help students with financial questions like budgeting, scholarships, grants, bursaries, student loans, sponsorship and more. Please feel free to contact an ESP at any time - our contact details are at the bottom of this handout.

Resources for Excellent Experiences

- Check out Elle Maija's story who organized a conference featuring David Suzuki!
http://you.ubc.ca/ubc_stories/elle-maijas-story/
- Get an on-campus job while studying at UBC with Work Learn:
<https://students.ubc.ca/career/campus-experiences/work-learn-program>
- Earn academic credit while studying abroad with Go Global:
<https://students.ubc.ca/about-student-services/go-global>
- Get a head start on your career with UBC Cooperative Education (Co-op):
<http://www.coop.ubc.ca/>

Top Tips for Counsellors

1. Indspire (<https://indspire.ca/>) offers a wide range of awards and bursaries for Aboriginal students in post-secondary education.
2. Writing openly about experiences can have a positive impact on award and admissions applications. Don't be humble! It's not just about leadership but also about involvement and what you've learned.
3. Don't assume that students are aware of deadlines or application processes.
4. Planning your finances reduces stress – please reach out to your Enrolment Services Professional early.

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