

Re: Government of Canada Indspire Sponsorship



I would first like to start by introducing myself. My name is Quinn Meawasige, I am 24 years young and am an Anishinaabe from Serpent River First Nation which is located along the North Shore of Lake Huron. My community is a signatory to the Robinson Huron Treaty of 1850. Currently, I am living in Bawating (Sault Ste. Marie ON.) while I study at Algoma University. I am enrolled in the Community Economic and Social Development 4-year Honours program and have just completed my third year of my four year program. I am also working towards an Anishinaabemowin Language Certificate from Shingwauk Kinomaage Gamig, which is a sister institution of Algoma University.

This Scholarship and financial support will assist me in paying for Spring courses here at the University. I have many ideas, plans and aspirations for the future and need education to assist me on this path to creating change within my community, Canada and the world. This Scholarship and financial support will assist me throughout my pursuit of higher learning and education.

After I am done my undergrad here at Algoma University, I plan on registering as a Community Development Technician under the Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers (CANDO) and begin my work in the field of community development. I see so much potential within First Nation communities in Canada. I want to be able to harness that potential and empower the communities to do great things by fostering community healing, growth, sustainability and development. After working within the field for five years, I will be able to be registered under CANDO as a Community Development Professional/Practitioner. Shortly after, I would like to return to school to pursue my Masters in either Indigenous Governance or in Indigenous Community Development.

Chi-Miigwech (Big Thanks) for your generous support in helping me pursue my goals and my dreams.

With gratitude and respect,

Quinn Meawasige