

Dear Soaring Futures Bursary

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My name is Owen Pelletier and I am currently completing my third year of the Indigenous Social Work program at The First Nations University of Canada in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. I am wonderfully surprised and delighted to be informed that my application to Indspire's Building Brighter Futures: Bursaries, Scholarships, and Awards program has been successful. This unexpected and incredible surprise has left me feeling extremely honoured, grateful, and fortunate. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude for your acknowledgement and recognition of my hard work both in my academics, as well as in my personal and professional life. Having my hard work, sacrifices, and substantial accomplishments recognized goes a long way toward encouragement of bigger and brighter pursuits.

The INSW program at the F.N.U.C. has helped me to understand the history of my people as well as my family and myself. I did not realize the amount of healing that I was going to receive from this program and for that, I am eternally grateful. I plan to use this degree to make the world a more understanding and companionate place to work and live in. Helping Indigenous youth who are struggling with some of the same realities that I had to overcome in my life is my passion. This financial assistance towards my education will increase my knowledge and understanding of working with struggling youth. I am extremely grateful and appreciative of your generous support toward my educational aspirations. Thank you for wishing me every success as I use this bursary to further my educational goals and pursue my dreams. Thank you for your generous support!

Sincerely,

Owen Maurice Pelletier