

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

If for some reason I do not submit all required documentation at the time that I submit my application, I understand that I have two weeks after my submission date to turn my paperwork in AND I understand that I must turn in ALL required documentation to the Scholarship Program before my application can go before the Education Committee for approval.

I understand that if my application is not approved by the Education Committee, I am responsible for any and all fees associated with my schooling.

I understand that I must apply for any and all Federal Financial Aid that is available to me through FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov and I must provide proof of submission, which can be in the form of a FAFSA confirmation email.

I intend to complete a degree program, certificate program, or transfer program to be eligible to receive financial assistance from the Muckleshoot Scholarship Program and the classes I take must apply toward my program of study or benefit my program of study at the school of my choice

I must provide a Degree Plan or Course of Study document to the Muckleshoot Scholarship Program that details the courses/classes required by the institution for successful completion of the intended degree. The Degree Plan or Course of Study must include all required courses and the number of hours of elective courses (if any) allowed in the degree. A representative from the Schools' Admissions Office, Academic Advising Office, or an academic department must sign the Degree Plan or Course of Study.

I am aware that I will be unable to receive any funds until I submit a copy of both the Scholarship Program FERPA Form authorizing the MIT Scholarship Program to release information to my school and a FERPA from my school authorizing my school to release information to the Scholarship Program.

I must make satisfactory academic progress toward my degree or certificate in order to remain eligible for financial assistance. I need to maintain a 2.0 GPA per term (quarter, semester, and/or modular) and I must complete the number of credits for which I am registered during that term. I understand that I am required to meet with a Scholarship Program Counselor if my grades fall below satisfactory academic progress (2.0 GPA).

I am aware that it is my responsibility to inform the Scholarship Program about any reason for which I am not able to attend school within 10 days via email or in writing and to return all funding for that term. It is also my responsibility to officially withdraw from school in the event that I am not able to attend and also provide a copy of the withdraw form to the Scholarship Program; otherwise I may be responsible for full payment of tuition and fees.

Listed below is the Progressive Academic Disqualification for Commuter/Residential Students:

1. Progressive Academic Disqualification for Commuter/Residential Students:

- I. **Academic Warning:** The student will need to pay the MIT Scholarship back 25% of the funds received for the term/quarter/semester in which the below 1.0 GPA was received. The student will need to make an initial payment before the student will receive MIT Scholarship financial assistance. The student will continue to receive funds based on the program s/he is enrolled in.
- II. **Academic Probation:** If a student fails to complete the number of credits for which s/he received funding and earns a 0.0 cumulative GPA for term, the student will be placed on ACADEMIC PROBATION for the next term. The student will be obligated to repay back 50%

of the funds issued. Before a student on academic probation can receive their book money, fees, or tuition funding, they must first make an initial payment and complete a meeting with the Financial Aid Director/Manager or a comparable education professional, during which they will create a written action plan to be placed in their Scholarship file and made available to Education Committee members during any future status changes.

- III. **Academic Progressive Suspension:** If placed on Academic Progressive Suspension, the student will need to either:
- a) Choose to pay 50% back of the funds for which the student received the 0.0GPA.
 - b) Choose to satisfactorily complete one term (same amount of credits as for the term suspended) using financial resources other than the Muckleshoot Higher Education Financial Aid /Scholarship. Or
 - c) Have stayed out of school for one year and submitted a petition to the Scholarship Program Staff that adequately explains circumstances that would justify consideration for reinstatement by the Education Committee and a decision by the Committee to allow the student to be reinstated on Academic Probation.

Or

- a) Do a modular/term/quarter/semester on their own with NO MIT Scholarship Funds and passed the same amount of credits which the student received funds for and did not pass, at a 2.0 GPA or higher if required by the chosen program/major; and
- b) Complete a meeting with the Scholarship Advisor or a comparable education professional, during which they will create a written action plan to be placed in their Scholarship file and made available to Education Committee members during any future status changes. Note: Student's status will be In Good Standing.

I am aware that in the event that I tamper with and/or falsify grades/transcripts or present false information to the Scholarship Program, I will be subject to penalties including ineligibility and the garnishment of my per capita to pay back all funding that I received.

I understand that once my application is approved, I will be required to attend a Scholarship Orientation one time per academic year (Summer Term-Spring Term) before any funding will be issued to me or on my behalf.

I understand that the Scholarship Program will cap funding based on the institution's yearly Cost of Attendance per year x (1.5 x typical completion time towards the degree).

My signature below indicates that I have read and agree to the above information and understand that a copy of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe Scholarship Program Code of Conduct is available to me at the Scholarship Program Office and that it is my responsibility to familiarize myself with it.

I understand that my digital signature on this document is a legally binding signature.

Signature _____

Date _____