The Mission of the Lummi Indian Business Council:

To preserve, promote and protect our Shelangen.

Lummi Higher Education Grant Award Application

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a vocational certificate or college/ graduate degree. Education is a priority of the Lummi Indian Business Council (LIBC). In 1989, as an act of self-determination LIBC took over the responsibility of administering the Lummi Higher Education Grant Award process from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. This grant award assists students in fulfilling their goals, as well as, meeting the ever-growing needs of our dynamic community. To keep pace with the rising cost of college tuition they have augmented those BIA funds with tribal funding. This award is based on academic rather than financial need. Please read the directions carefully and submit a complete application.

Eligibility Requirements:
Applicants must meet the following requirements in order to qualify for a LHE Grant Award:

A. Enrolled Lummi Tribal member, or person of ¼ degree total blood quantum who is eligible for enrollment at Lummi, not enrolled in another tribe and had made application for Lummi enrollment.

B. A high School graduate or have earned a GED.

C. Enrolled, or accepted for admission in an accredited institution.

D. Must maintain good academic standing of a 2.0 grade point average or better

E. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submit a signed "needs analysis" from the college or university's financial aid office.

F. Vocational students- Student's pursuing a two-year certificate vocational program must apply for the Employment Assistance/Adult Vocational Training program, if available. To be eligible for assistance, the certificate program must be administered at an accredited institution. Students are eligible for Grant Assistance certificate programs up to 2-years in length after which time they are only eligible for 2-4 year degree programs.

Community Colleges/ Technical Colleges $3000 per year
Quarter system $1000 per quarter
Semester system $1500 per semester
Four Year Colleges and Universities $4000 per year
Quarter system $1333 per quarter
Semester system $1666 per semester
Graduate School $5000 per year
Quarter system $1666 per quarter
Semester system $2500 per semester

Application Deadlines:
- Fall quarter/Whole Academic Year
     July 1 Priority funding
- Fall Funding deadline
     September 1
- Winter quarter
     December 1
- Spring quarter
     March 1

Students applying for a Lummi Higher Education grant award are required to also seek outside sources of funding to keep up with the increasing cost of attending college. These outside sources of money can help reduce or eliminate the need for student loans.

Lummi Nation Career Development Office
Lummi Nation Administration Center
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In our transition to a paperless office, students are encouraged to email

completed applications to: Reneesw@Lummi-nsn.gov