

The MHA Education Grant for College & Beyond was created to provide financial support for MHA enrolled members seeking Higher Education by supporting them in attaining Undergraduate, Graduate, and Professional Degrees as well as Certificates and Study Abroad opportunities. The MHA Education Grant is a need-based grant funded each semester/trimester/quarter.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes
- Accepted into an Accredited College/University/ Vocational Training Program
- Must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA
 - Students who earn below a 2.0 GPA for one semester will be awarded half funding (up to \$3,500) for that semester.
 - Students who earn below a 2.0 GPA for two consecutive semesters or withdraw for two consecutive semesters will be ineligible for the MHA Education Grant until the student is able to raise their GPA to 2.0 or above.

AWARD AMOUNT:

Full-time applicants on a semester schedule may be eligible to receive the following: **up to** \$7,000.00 per Fall/Spring Semesters and **up to** \$2,500.00 per Summer Semester or **up to** \$16,500 per academic year. The MHA Education Grant must be the last option for funding. The MHA Education Grant funds unmet need.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Incomplete Applications will not be considered. No exceptions.

- Applicants are required to apply **every** semester/trimester/quarter for which they are seeking funding.
- Applicants are required to complete their FAFSA for the academic year in which they are applying **before** applying to the MHA Education Grant.
- Applicants are required to provide a **complete** application (pp. 3-5) with all supporting documentation to MHA Education Grant staff prior to the term deadlines outlined below. Please see page 2 to determine the supporting documentation that is required for your unique application.
- It is preferred that applicants submit a compete application will all supporting documents at one time in **PDF format** via email to MHA Education Grant Staff.

DEADLINES:

| SEMESTER | Opens | Closes | |
|----------|----------|---------|--|
| Fall | July 15 | Oct. 15 | |
| Spring | Nov. 15 | Feb. 15 | |
| Summer | April 15 | June 15 | |

| TRIMESTER | Opens | Closes |
|-----------|----------|---------|
| Fall | July 15 | Oct. 15 |
| Spring | Nov. 15 | Feb. 15 |
| Summer | April 15 | June 15 |

| QUARTER | Opens Closes | | |
|---------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Fall | July 15 | Oct. 15 | |
| Winter | Nov. 15 Feb. 15 | | |
| Spring | May 15 | July 15 | |
| Summer | June 15 | Sept. 15 | |

CONTACTS:

Grant Manager: Kayla Rhone <u>krhone@mhanation.com</u> Grant Assistant: Shannon Vivier <u>svivier@mhanation.com</u> Phone: (701) 751-2928

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Email: Kayla Rhone and/or Shannon Vivier Mail: Sage Coulee Outreach & Wellness Attn: MHA Education Grant 1321 Elbowoods Lane Bismarck, ND 58503



Student Checklist

Please select which category you fit into and provide all items identified under said category. This form is for the applicant's use only. This form need not be submitted with the student's application.

First-Time or New Students: A student who is entering college or vocational school for the first time and has <u>never</u> previously attended.

- Complete Student Information (p. 3)
- Complete top portion of Financial Needs Analysis (p. 4)
- Give Financial Needs Analysis to the financial aid office at your school to complete the bottom portion of page 4.
- Complete FERPA release (p. 5)
- Certificate of Indian Blood or Tribal ID
- o Letter of Acceptance
- o Class schedule which reflects credit load
- Scan and email all documents identified above in PDF format to MHA Ed Grant staff.

Continuing Students: Students who have attended one or more semesters of a post-secondary college or university.

- Complete Student Information (p. 3)
- Complete top portion of Financial Needs Analysis (p. 4)
- Give Financial Needs Analysis to the financial aid office at your school to complete the bottom portion of page 4.
- Complete FERPA release (p. 5)
- Most recent unofficial transcript which reflects cumulative GPA
- o Class schedule which reflects credit load
- Scan and email all documents identified above in PDF format to MHA Ed Grant staff.

Stop-Out Students: Student who has withdrawn or sat out for one semester or more and re-enrolls at a later date.

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- Give Financial Needs Analysis to the financial aid office at your school to complete the bottom portion of page 4.
- Complete FERPA release (p. 5)
- o Letter of Acceptance
- Most recent unofficial transcript which reflects cumulative GPA
- Class schedule which reflects credit load
- Scan and email all documents identified above in PDF format to MHA Ed Grant staff.

Special Circumstance: Special Circumstances may include a student who does not meet all requirements for the MHA Education Grant, exceeds outlined funding limits, or applicants who have been approved for funding through resolution by TBC.

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- Give Financial Needs Analysis to the financial aid office at your school to complete the bottom portion of page 4.
- Complete FERPA release (p. 5)
- Most recent unofficial transcript which reflects cumulative GPA
- o Class schedule which reflects credit load
- $\circ \quad \text{Letter explaining special circumstances.}$
- Scan and email all documents identified above in PDF format to MHA Ed Grant staff.



| Student Information | | Academic Year: |
|--|---|---|
| TERM ATTENDING: (select one)Semester:FallSpringSumTrimester:FallSpringSumQuarter:FallWinterSpringSum | CLASSIFICATION: (select one)Image: First Time or New StudentsImage: Continuing StudentsImage: Stop-Out Students | STATUS: (select one) Full-time Part-time |
| SEGMENT: (select one) | | Off Reservation |
| North Segment – New Town 🗆 | Northeast Segment – Parshall 🗆 | West Segment – Mandaree 🗆 |
| Four Bears Segment \square | South Segment – Twin Buttes \Box | East Segment – White Shield \square |
| STUDENT ID NUMBER | FIRST NAME | 301U - TRIBAL ENROLLMENT NUMBER MIDDLE NAME |
| CURRENT ADDRESS: STREET/PO BOX | CITY | STATE ZIP CODE |
| | DATE OF BIRTH: | GENDER: DMALE DFEMALE |
| RELIABLE CONTACT NUMBER | | □ Prefer not to disclose |
| EMAIL ADDRESS | | |
| DEGREE: (select one) | | |
| | | STERS DOCTORAL/PROFESSIONAL |
| FIELD OF STUDY: | | |
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: | | DATE: |

I verify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Privacy Policy Statement/Disclaimer

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA Statute 20 U.S.C. Part 1232g; Regulations 34 CFR Part 99.7) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. Personal and educational information provided is solely for the use of properly identifying students for disbursements of education grants. It is not to be shared with third party entities or organizations, unless lawfully required. The MHA Education Grant Program cannot process student applications until all applicable entries of this form are completed. The information on the application form is subject to change without prior notice. Not all applications are guaranteed funding.

Release of Information

I have read and understand the Privacy Policy/Disclaimer Statements. I verify the information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.



Financial Needs Analysis

| STUDENT INFORMATION AND RELEASE | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Student Name: | | |
| Address: | | Phone # |
| l authorize my college financial aid office to release all budget and financial aid o Grant. | lata required for the purpo | oses of determining eligibility for the MHA Education |
| STUDENT SIGNATURE *Student signature required* | STUDENT ID | DATE |

The following data is to be completed by a financial aid officer at the institution where the applicant is enrolled.

| TERM (circle one) | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Fall Spring Summer Winte | er Year 20 |
| COST OF ATTENDANCE | |
| Tuition | |
| Fees | |
| Room & Board | |
| Books | |
| Transportations | |
| Miscellaneous Living Expenses | |
| TOTAL | \$ |
| TOTAL RESOURCES | |
| BIA Scholarships & Grants | |
| Tribal Grant (Higher Ed or other) | |
| 477 | |
| FSEOG | |
| Pell Grant | |
| State Grant | |
| Academic or CTE Scholarship | |
| Veterans Benefit | |
| Social Security Benefit | |
| Other/Institution/Private Sources | |
| TOTAL | \$ |

| If budget cannot be completed, please indicate reason: | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| Did not complete FAFSA | | | |
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| Must verify information | | | |
| on FAFSA | | | |
| Not eligible for Pell due | | | |
| to: | | | |
| Other: | | | |
| | | | |

DO NOT INCLUDE ANTICIPATED AID

_DATE: _

Please return this form to the MHA Education Grant Staff **By email:** Kayla Rhone at <u>krhone@mhanation.com</u> and/or Shannon Vivier <u>svivier@mhanation.com</u>

By mail: Sage Coulee Outreach & Wellness Center Attn: MHA Education Grant 1321 Elbowoods Lane Bismarck, ND 58503

SIGNATURE/TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: _

Please identify below the location applicant's award should be mailed.

MAIL CHECK TO:

| NAME OF INSTITUTION: | | | _PHONE: | |
|----------------------|--------------|-------|----------|--|
| | | | | |
| ADDRESS | СІТҮ | STATE | ZIP CODE | |
| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY | | | | |
| AMOUNT APPROVED \$ | APPROVED BY: | | DATE: | |

I verify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



FERPA Release Authorization

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

The MHA Education Grant staff must have written permission from the eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record.

| I,, consent records to my parent(s), guardian(s), or other entities I MHA Education Grant information. I understand that information about my academic standing, disciplinary is | isted below for MHA Education | the purpose of keeping to Grant records include | them informed about my , but are not limited to, |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| I acknowledge that I may submit a subsequent notific release information to any or all of the individuals listed | - | directing the MHA Educ | ation Grant to no longer |
| The MHA Education Grant is authorized to release info | ormation to the | following individuals: (p | lease print clearly) |
| School Officials: | Consent | Do not consent | Student Initial |
| MHA Education Pathways Mentor: | Consent | Do not consent | Student Initial |
| Other: | | | |
| Name | Relatio | nship to Student | |
| Name | Relatio | nship to Student | |
| Name | Relatio | nship to Student | |
| x | x | | X |
| Student's name | Studen | t's signature | Date |