



Morris K. Udall and John S. McCain III Native American Graduate Fellowship in Tribal Policy

2026 Native American Graduate Fellowship Native Health Care

Application

Please read all instructions to ensure that the information you provide is accurate and complete. Applications that do not follow instructions or are incomplete will not be considered by the Selection Committee.

- The application must be typed, using the space provided. Separate documents should use no smaller than 12-point font.
- The short answer questions should be single-spaced. Please note the word count ranges and do not exceed the maximum word count.

Application deadline: emailed by 11:59 PM PDT on May 1, 2026.

- Link to Fellowship guidelines and application material
<https://www.udall.gov/OurPrograms/Fellowship/Apply.aspx>

Application materials must be emailed to the Native American Graduate Fellowship Program at fellowshipprogram@udall.gov. Writers of recommendation letters must email signed PDFs directly to fellowshipprogram@udall.gov.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION CONSISTS OF:

- ☐ Signed application form (Section 1)
- ☐ Resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV) (Section 2)
- ☐ Completed short answers (Section 3)
- ☐ Three recommendation letters sent to the Udall Foundation by the recommenders (Section 4)
- ☐ Official transcript from current graduate institution (Section 5)
- ☐ Final unofficial undergraduate transcript (Section 5)
- ☐ Other unofficial transcripts from colleges attended for credit within the past six years (Section 5)
- ☐ Copy of Federally Recognized Tribal documents (Section 5)

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Section 1: Application Form

Legal Full Name:			
Preferred Name:			
Are you a	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Permanent Resident	
Federal Tribal affiliation:			
Enrollment Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled		
State of Permanent Residence:			
Congressional Voter Registration (State/District No.):			

Permanent residence is established by at least two of the following: home address for school registration; place of registration to vote; family's primary residence.

Contact Information

Mailing Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	
Best telephone:			Best email address:		

Education

Will you be a continuing graduate student in Fall 2026: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Graduate Institution:			
Location:		Start Date:	
Graduate Degree Program (e.g., M.S., Ph.D., M.D.):			
Field of Study/Concentration:			
GPA:		On a scale of:	
Date you expect to receive your graduate degree (month/year):			
Undergraduate Institution:			
Location:		Start Date:	
Undergraduate Major:			
Undergraduate Minor:			
GPA:		On a scale of:	
Undergraduate Completion Date (month/year):			

List all other colleges/universities attended, including any for summer and study abroad:

Institution	Location	Dates Attended	GPA

Concurrent Grants/ Fellowships

Itemize any grants or fellowships that will coincide with the Fellowship year (August 1, 2026 – July 31, 2027).	
Name of Grants/Fellowships	Amount

I, _____ have read and understood the conditions of the Native American Graduate Fellowship. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf. Applications and supporting documents become the sole property of the Udall Foundation and will neither be returned nor submitted to the Selection Committee for evaluation another year. The information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature:

Date:

Section 2: Resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV)

Your resume or CV should observe the following general format: Education History; Professional Experience (e.g., relevant paid and unpaid work experiences, research, publications, presentations); Other Relevant Experience (e.g., Tribal activities, extracurricular and volunteer work); Professional and Tribal Organization Memberships; and Awards and Recognition. (Limit to 4 pages.)

Section 3: Short Answers

1. What area(s) of Native American and/or Alaska Native health care are you pursuing with your graduate studies? What motivated you to pursue a career in this field? (300-450 words)

2. Describe one critical issue in Native American and/or Alaska Native health care and how you hope to address it throughout your educational and professional career? (300-450 words)

3. Describe your personal journey as a Native American or Alaska Native, and how it shapes your goals.
(250-300 words)

4. What experiences and personal/cultural values have shaped your perspective on Native health care services and systems? (250-300 words)

5. How will you use the Fellowship funds to support your academic and professional goals for the 2026-2027 academic year? (250-300 Words)

6. Provide any additional information that would be useful for the Selection Committee to know. (250-300 words)

Section 4: Recommendation Letters

Please provide names, titles, and contact information of three individuals who have written your letters of recommendation for the Native American Graduate Fellowship. Letters should be written on official letterhead, signed by the recommender, and should be submitted separately from the application by the recommender. Please request your recommendations be emailed directly to the Udall Foundation at fellowshipprogram@udall.gov.

Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Name:		Email:	
Title:		Phone:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Official <input type="checkbox"/> Community Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other			

Please tell us how you heard about the Native American Graduate Fellowship.

<input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement	<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni	<input type="checkbox"/> Direct mailing	<input type="checkbox"/> Email
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribe	<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty/Staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate school	<input type="checkbox"/> Native program
<input type="checkbox"/> Web search	<input type="checkbox"/> Social media	<input type="checkbox"/> Conference	<input type="checkbox"/> Udall Foundation
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):			

Please tell us who referred you to our program:	
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Section 5: Supporting Documents

- Current graduate official transcript – *may be submitted separately.*
- Final official/unofficial undergraduate transcript(s) – *may be submitted separately.*
- Other transcripts (unofficial) from colleges attended **for credit** within the past six years – *may be submitted separately.*
- Documentation of Tribal Enrollment – *please **do not** submit original documents:*
 - Copy of enrollment card or verification documentation from one or more Federally Recognized Indian Tribes that are included in the [annual list of Indian Tribes](#) published by the Secretary of the Interior pursuant of 25 U.S.C. § 5131
- Proof of U.S. permanent residency – if applicable for non-U.S. Citizens

2026 Program Important Dates:

The following dates are subject to change. Please monitor the important dates section of our website to get updates on any changes. Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

October 1, 2025	<i>The application is available at www.udall.gov</i>
May 1, 2026	<i>Native American Graduate Fellowship applications including Letters of recommendation, transcripts, and other supporting documents must be emailed by 11:59 PM PDT. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the selection committee.</i>
June 18-26, 2026	<i>Native American Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee application review period and video interviews with finalists.</i>
July 1, 2026	<i>Udall Foundation notifies all applicants of the Native American Graduate Fellowship results.</i>
July 8, 2026	<i>Deadline for Udall Foundation receipt of Native American Graduate Fellowship Consent and Release form.</i>
July 16, 2026	<i>Deadline for Udall Foundation receipt of all Native American Graduate Fellowship forms.</i>
July 30, 2026	<i>Native American Graduate Fellows announced at www.udall.gov</i>
Aug. 2026 – Aug. 2027	<i>Native American Graduate Fellowship Period.</i>

Thank you for your interest in the Udall Native American Graduate Fellowship!

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