



The 2026-2027 application form for

Garay Family Award for Indigenous Students in Science

Terms

Awarded to an outstanding Indigenous student in demonstrated financial need who is entering a full-time undergraduate degree program in Science at Carleton University. This award may be continued for 3 subsequent years of full-time enrolment provided the recipient remains in good academic standing and continues to demonstrate financial need. Application is required. Endowed in 2021 by the Garay family.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be an Indigenous student
- Applicant must be entering the first year of the program at Carleton University
- Applicant must be enrolled full time in an undergraduate degree program
- Applicant must demonstrate financial need (by completing and submitting the application form)
- Applicant must demonstrate diligence through academic work

Instructions

- Provide one (1) letter of academic reference
- Provide one (1) letter of reference from a community leader (e.g. member of Chief and Council, elders, staff at community-based Indigenous organization, etc.)
- Complete the entire form and submit it directly to Awards and Financial Aid: awards@carleton.ca
- Late or incomplete applications will **not** be considered

Deadline

October 31

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Section 1

Personal information

Last Name

First Name

Carleton Student ID

Program

Major or concentration

Phone Number

Email

Indigenous Status Declaration

*If you have selected that you identify as Indigenous, applicants will be required to submit supporting documentation in adherence with Carleton University's Admissions and Awards Limited to Indigenous (First Nation, Métis and Inuit) Candidates **Policy**. For further information and to view the list of accepted documents that can be used for verification, please refer to [Confirming Indigenous Identity for Awards](#).*

Do you wish to self-identify as an Indigenous student?

For the purposes of this voluntary self-identification, selecting yes is an assertion that you identify as an Indigenous person, defined in Canada as belonging to one or more of the following groups: First Nation, Métis, or Inuk (Inuit) or alternative identity term: (e.g. Kanien'kehá:ka, Anishinaabe, etc.).

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Yes

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No

If yes, please specify.

Section 2

Describe your academic and future goals and tell us how attending Carleton University will assist you in achieving them.

Section 2

Community Involvement

Describe what you would consider to be your most important contribution to your community (you may include any extra-curricular activities at your secondary school, sports, volunteering, working with elders and/or youth etc.).

Section 3

Financial Information

Option 1

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I am a single student with no dependents.

Note: If you have been out of high school for 4 years or more, do not include financial information for your parent(s). If you have been out of high school for less than 4 years you must provide financial information for your parent(s).

_____ Year you graduated School	_____ Parent 1 Gross Annual Income	_____ Parent 2 Gross Annual Income High
_____ Number of siblings	_____ Age of your siblings still in school still in school <i>Separate each sibling with a comma. eg. 12, 15, 16</i>	

Option 2

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I am Married/Common Law or a Sole-Support Parent.

_____ Number of dependant children	_____ Spouse's Gross Annual Income
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Financial Need Assessment

Will you be receiving OSAP or government student aid from your home province?

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Yes

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No

If yes, please specify.

If no, please explain.

Please provide an explanation of your financial need.

Please fill in the Financial Need Budget for September – April (8 month student budget).

Tuition	
Books/Supplies	
Residence Fees	
Other related educational costs (specify) eg. co-op fee	
Rent X 8 months =	
Food X 8 months =	
Utilities X 8 months =	
Telephone and Internet costs X 8 months =	
Personal items X 8 months =	
Clothing X 8 months =	
Laundry X 8 months =	
Transportation (local) X 8 months =	
Transportation (trips home) enter amount for all trips:	
Entertainment X 8 months =	
Other (specify)	
Total Expenses	
Savings at the start of your study period	
Parents Contribution	
Spouse/Relatives/Friends Contribution	
Scholarships/Bursaries	
Government Student Loans, Grants, Bursaries	
Net Part-time Earnings	
Other (specify)	
Total Resources	
Total Expenses minus Total Resources	

Reference letters attached?

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Yes

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No

Section 4

Student Declaration

I authorize Carleton University to release a copy of this application to the appropriate awards selection committee(s) and to the award donor, including my academic record and financial need information in order to adjudicate my application for an award. If requested, I agree to provide the Awards Office with any documentation necessary to verify the information on this application. I declare that the above information is true and accurate. If any information is inaccurate, I understand that an award may be reassessed and/or withdrawn.

Signature of Applicant

Date

At Carleton University, we recognize and respect the importance of privacy. Personal information that we collect is kept confidential. In accordance with section 41 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Carleton University will only use the information in its custody or control in the following circumstances: where the individual identifies the particular information and consents to its use; for the purpose for which it was collected or a consistent purpose (i.e. a purpose which the individual might have reasonably expected).