Mayville State University

Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application

Empl ID [FOR INSTITUTIONAL USE ONLY]

1. Legal Name _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE FORMER NAME IF APPLICABLE

2. Mailing Address _____
STREET APT. # CITY STATE ZIP

3. Email Address _____ Telephone _____
HOME CELL

4. Permanent Address _____
STREET APT. # CITY STATE ZIP

_____
COUNTY COUNTRY

5. Your Birthdate _____
MO DAY YR

6. Name of Parent, Guardian or Spouse _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

7. Classification at MSU (check appropriate box):

❑ New Freshmen to MSU ❑ New Transfer to MSU ❑ Returning MSU student ❑ Re-applying to MSU

8. Academic program/major: _____

9. Have you attended a North Dakota Tribal College? Yes ❑ No ❑

Tribal College attended _____ When attended _____ Degree earned _____

Reason you are applying for a Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver (For explanation of guidelines see second page)

❑ **Enrolled Member** of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native and Villages
What is your tribal affiliation? _____ ❑ North Dakota ❑ Minnesota ❑ Other _____
NOTE: Documentation of enrollment <u>must</u> accompany this application.

❑ **American Indian** who is not an enrolled member but has a direct lineal descent from an enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native and Villages (NOTE: Do not check if you are an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.)

❑ **African American/Black** having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa

❑ **Hispanic/Latino** having Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origins

❑ **Asian/Pacific Islander** having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast, Indian Subcontinent of the Pacific Islands

❑ **Multiracial/Multiethnic** Please specify _____

❑ **Refugee or member of another traditionally underrepresented ethnic group** Please explain _____

❑ **Economically disadvantaged -** In order to select this option, the applicant must qualify for the federal Pell Grant.

My signature below certifies that the above information is true and that any false information will result in the loss of the tuition waiver at any time.

_____ _____
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

Please attach a statement about why you should be considered for this waiver.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants must file a FAFSA to be considered for a Cultural Diversity Waiver.

Return to: Office of Enrollment Services, 330 Third St. NE, Mayville, ND 58257-1299

Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Program application procedures

Recognizing the educational benefit of a culturally diverse student population, the State Board of Higher Education adopted a tuition waiver program at Mayville State University. Special emphasis of this policy is to recruit, assist and retain enrolled members of federally recognized American Indian tribes and Alaska Natives and Villages, graduates of tribally controlled community colleges in North Dakota, and economically disadvantaged students. The Mayville State University Institutional Diversity Statement further describes cultural diversity for this waiver program.

Eligibility

Applicant must meet one of the following definitions for eligibility under this program:

A. Be an enrolled member of federally recognized American Indian Tribes, or Alaska natives and Villages as defined pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; and as such constitute a political group officially recognized by the United States government.

B. Be a member of a culturally diverse group which is defined as persons of different cultural, racial or ethnic heritage, age, persons with disabilities and/or life experiences.

C. Persons who are economically disadvantaged, defined as persons who have a total family contribution not to exceed 25% of North Dakota resident tuition of the previous year, based upon the federally prescribed needs analysis formula.

Special emphasis will be given to:

A. Enrolled members of federally recognized American Indian Tribes, and Alaska natives and Villages; with particular emphasis to enrolled members of the Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe, Three Affiliated Tribes, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

B. Graduates of North Dakota Tribal Colleges.

C. Individuals who are economically disadvantaged.

D. Beginning freshman and transfer students who are otherwise eligible.

Waiver guidelines

A. Past academic performance may be used in determining initial eligibility, and recipients must maintain minimum academic standards for renewal.

B. Waivers will not exceed the amount of tuition. Tuition waivers do not include flight fees, application fees, books, board, room or other costs of attendance.

C. Partial waivers may be awarded.

D. Generally, awards will be made for an academic year. Awards can be made for a longer or shorter duration.

E. Recipients shall be limited to a maximum of five years as an undergraduate student.

F. Those recipients of Diversity Waivers who are attending classes on the Mayville State campus must be enrolled full time (12 credits) and must also reside in campus housing during the terms that they receive a waiver. A student who drops below 12 credits at any point in the semester will be required to repay the amount of the waiver.

G. Those recipients of Diversity Waivers who are enrolled in off campus or collaborative programs must be enrolled in at least six Mayville State credits during a term that they receive a diversity waiver. An off campus or collaborative student who drops below 6 credits at any point in the semester will be required to repay the amount of the waiver. Recipients enrolled as collaborative students will not receive a waiver of tuition for any credits taken from another institution.

To Apply

A. Complete a Cultural Diversity Tuition Waiver Application. For top consideration this must be mailed before March 15.

B. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Financial Aid. For top consideration this must be processed before March 15.

C. Attach a Verification of Tribal Enrollment, if appropriate.