



"The Family" by Norval Morrisseau

2020-2021 |

MARJORIE ANDERSON FINANCIAL AWARD FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS APPLICATION FORM

About this Award

This award was established in 2017 to honour the legacy of Marjorie Anderson Lynch. In 1935, Anderson Lynch became the first Indigenous woman to graduate from McMaster University.

During her time at McMaster, she was a member of the Choral Society and performed in various musicals and operettas. She is remembered for her ambition and desire to help others.

While honouring her accomplishment, this award allows McMaster to support the post-secondary aspirations of future generations of Indigenous students. As McMaster is located on the traditional territories of the Mississaugas and Haudenosaunee nations, and within the lands protected by the “Dish With One Spoon” wampum agreement, this award is one of the many ways that McMaster partners with local Indigenous communities.



Marjorie Anderson, 1935

Please return completed applications by May 15, 2020 to:

Office of the Registrar, Student Services

1280 Main St. West, Gilmour Hall 108, Hamilton, ON L8S 4L8

Questions or Concerns? Email student.services@mcmaster.ca

Name: _____ Student#: _____

The MARJORIE ANDERSON FINANCIAL AWARD FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

Part A: Application

Established in 2017 by McMaster University in honour of Marjorie Anderson (Class of '35), from the Six Nations of the Grand River, who was the first Indigenous woman to graduate from McMaster. The establishment of the financial award allows McMaster University to recognize and acknowledge that it is located on the traditional territories of the Mississaugas and Haudenosaunee nations, and within the lands protected by the "Dish With One Spoon" wampum agreement. It also allows the University to recognize the City of Hamilton's role in treating Inuit peoples with tuberculosis after the Second World War. The Hamilton Sanatorium on the Mountain was once home to the largest year-round community of Inuit anywhere in the country.

To be awarded to students who self-identify as Inuit, or as Status/Non-status First Nations from the Six Nations of the Grand River or the Mississaugas of the New Credit, who are entering McMaster in a baccalaureate degree program with a minimum average of 75% and demonstrate financial need. Eligible students must be entering their first-degree program. The financial award is renewable up to three additional years at the same value for those who remain enrolled full-time and achieve a minimum Grade Point Average of 8.0.

I SELF-IDENTIFY AS A STATUS/NON-STATUS FIRST NATIONS or INUIT STUDENT (check one) ☐ YES ☐ NO

HOME COMMUNITY _____

HIGH SCHOOL _____ GRADUATION YEAR _____

LIST ALL OTHER POST- SECONDARY INSTITUTION(S) ATTENDED _____

Please attach the following. Please be sure to include your name and student number on all pages.

- ☐ A cover letter
- ☐ An essay describing the influence that your Indigenous heritage has on your volunteer activities, leadership opportunities, University program choice, career path, or other community involvement that is important to you (1 – 2 pages)
- ☐ A copy of your high school and previous post-secondary institution transcripts
- ☐ A reference letter from a non-family member who is able to reflect on one or more of your academic achievements, volunteer activities, leadership skills or other community involvement

DECLARATION OF STATUS:

My signature below confirms that I self-identify as a status/non-status First Nations or Inuit student and wish to be considered for the Marjorie Anderson Financial Award for Indigenous Students.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE:

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Part B: Financial Need Information

Please provide the following:

- ☐ A completed 8 month spending plan (see next page)
- ☐ A letter describing your ability to meet your study period costs from September 2019 to April 2020. You may wish to include information about how you manage your current costs and any extenuating circumstances that you wish to have taken into consideration.
- ☐ Have you or will you be applying for Federal/Provincial Student Aid (e.g. .OSAP)? (circle one) YES NO
- ☐ Proof of your 2019 income*
- ☐ Are you married or living common-law?
 - ✓ Yes, provide proof of your partner's income* for 2019
- ☐ If not married or living common-law, have you been out of high school less than 4 years?
 - ✓ Yes, provide proof of your parent(s)' income* for 2019

**Proof of Income consists of one of the following:*

- A signed letter from the employer OR
- Income Tax Notice of Assessment OR
- Final pay stubs with year-to-date earnings

- ☐ **Do you have any dependent children?**

Yes, please provide ages of your children

My signature below confirms I am submitting true and correct financial need information in support of my application for the Marjorie Anderson Financial Award for Indigenous Students.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Part C: Spending Plan for September to April Study Period

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Enter your estimated expenses and resources below for the terms you will be attending classes. All lines must contain one of the following: a dollar amount, "0" or "N/A". **If any line is left blank, the application will be considered incomplete.**

Note: McMaster University may request additional supporting documentation in connection with this application.

Estimated Expenses (8 month study period)		Estimated Resources (8 month study period)	
Tuition & Fees		Assets (bonds, term deposits, bank accounts etc.)	
Books & Supplies		Employment Income	
Housing/Rent		Spousal Contribution (or *Parental Contribution)	
Food (includes dining out)		Government/Other Income	
Utilities (Hydro, Gas, Cell, Cable, Phone etc.)		Child Tax Benefit/Universal Child Care Benefit	
Clothing		Ontario Works	
Unsubsidized Child Care		Employment Insurance (EI)	
Transportation		Canada Pension Plan	
Personal/ Entertainment		Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)	
Minimum Credit Card Payment		OSAP or other Provincial or Federal student aid programs	
Other: Explain		PSSSP Support	
		Other: Explain (i.e. other government funding, child/spousal support, etc.)	
TOTAL		TOTAL	