



ARISING TO ACTION
CUPE 3911 Indigenous Undergraduate Student
Award
2025 Nomination Form

In December 2021, the CUPE Local 3911 at Athabasca University established a new award called the Arising to Action Undergraduate Student Award.

Two (2) awards in the amount of \$1,000 will be offered annually to Indigenous undergraduate students at Athabasca University. The intent of the award is to support Indigenous learners' educational access, achievement, and success at Athabasca University, by financially supporting their higher education and to support their ability to give back to Indigenous community.

Eligibility:

Open to Indigenous (Status Indian/First Nations, Non-Status Indian/First Nations, Métis and Inuit) AU students in any degree program, in any year of study. Nominees can be part-time or full-time AU students. First-time nominees will be given priority.

Nominations:

There are two options for nominations:

1. Students may nominate themselves.
2. AU staff members or students may nominate a student for the award. There must be no conflict of interest in the relationship between the nominator to the nominee (i.e. family relationship).

Application procedure:

1. Fill in the requested details in the nomination form (below).
2. If you are nominating someone else, include a signed copy of the form Consent to Disclosure of Personal Information (below).
3. Applicants should provide proof of their Indigenous ancestry and/or a statement describing their connection to their community. Some forms of proof may include one (1) of the following:
 - certificate of Indian Status, a status card or a valid band membership card
 - letter from band verifying status

- membership card issues by a Métis government the student is registered with (Métis government or organization must be a legal entity)
- certified copy of a Nunavut Trust Certificate card or Inuit beneficiary card
- letter of support from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada or Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated
- letter of support from a First Nation, Métis or Inuit organization (must be a legal entity) confirming the applicant's Indigenous ancestry
- Statement of connection to Indigenous community

If you have any questions or concerns about providing proof of Indigenous ancestry and/or describing your connection to your community, please reach out to the award committee at indigenous_scholarship_comm@cupe3911.ca.

4. Email the application to indigenous_scholarship_comm@cupe3911.ca

NOMINATION DEADLINE - June 30, 2025

Selection Committee:

The Selection Committee is composed of five members delegated by CUPE 3911, the Athabasca University Students Union (AUSU), and Nukskatowin.

If you have any questions about this award, please direct them to indigenous_scholarship_comm@cupe3911.ca.

NOMINATION FORM

Part 1: Nominee and Nominator Information

NOMINEE:

Name:

AU Student ID:

Address:

City & Province:

Postal Code:

Telephone No:

Email Address:

NOMINATOR (*if applicable*):

Name:

Address:

City & Province:

Postal Code:

Telephone No:

Email Address:

What is your role at AU?

How do you know the nominee?

Part 2: Short Essay

The information you provide in Part 2 will inform the Selection Committee's decision. You may be contacted by the Selection Committee for further details. Only the Selection Committee members will have access to the information you provide. They will maintain absolute confidentiality, and all nomination forms and accompanying information will be destroyed immediately following the award selection. If you are a nominator, answer the questions based on your knowledge of the nominee.

1. Please provide a statement of no more than one (1) page addressing 1-2 of the questions below:

What are your future aspirations and how will your coursework at AU support those aspirations?

Why are you pursuing your educational pathway and how does that connect to supporting your community/communities?

Why have you chosen to nominate this student for the award?

2. Please address the following questions narratively or in point form, each in 250 words or less:

If you are self-nominating:

A. Why does this award matter to you?

B. Will this award support you in any ways that impact other Indigenous people?

If you are nominating a student:

A. Why will this award matter for the student you are nominating?

B. Will this award support you in any ways that impact other Indigenous people?

CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

RE: ARISING TO ACTION

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This form is for students who are being nominated by another individual. The form is not required by students who self-nominate.

Date: _____

I, (Nominee) _____ consent to the disclosure of my personal information by (Nominee) _____, to the Indigenous Undergraduate Student Award Selection Committee (the Committee being composed of four members delegated by CUPE 3911, one member delegated by AUSU, and one member delegated by Nukskatowin) for the purposes of the selection process of a recipient for the Arising to Action Award: the CUPE 3911 Indigenous Undergraduate Student Award. I understand that all nomination forms and accompanying information will be destroyed immediately following the award selection.

Nominee Signature: _____

Print and attach to the completed Nomination Form

Scan and Email to: indigenous_scholarship_comm@cupe3911.ca

All nominations and consent forms must be received by the end of the day on **June 30, 2025.**