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## Scholarship Deadlines

### March 15

Scholarship Type:  
Basic  
Semester: Summer

### April 15

Scholarship Type:  
Basic and Competitive  
Semester: Fall

### September 15

Scholarship Type:  
Basic (for vocational  
students only)  
Semester: Winter

### November 15

Scholarship Type:  
Basic  
Semester: Spring

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To date, the Foundation has received more than \$6,000 in donations, ranging from \$25 to \$2,500, from across the state and country in Mrs. Young's memory.

"Lu Young was an incredible woman and an amazing role model, and our thoughts and prayers are with her family during this difficult time," said Doris Miller, the Foundation's interim executive director. "We at the Foundation extend our deepest gratitude to the Young family for their support of our students. The donations made in Mrs. Young's memory will directly help Alaska Native students achieve their educational dreams and aspirations, which is a fitting legacy for such a wonderful woman."

### Doyon Foundation Seeks Candidates for Board of Directors

Doyon Foundation is seeking candidates for its board of directors. Two seats, open to any Doyon, Limited shareholder, will be up for election this October. The term is for three years, expiring in 2012. The election will take place at Doyon Foundation's annual membership meeting in October.

### Applications & Deadline

This year, the Foundation is using an online application form. [Click here](#) to view and complete the form. Resumes and completed online applications must be submitted by Friday, September 25, 2009 or mailed to Doyon Foundation, 1 Doyon Place, Suite 300, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701.

### Qualifications

Candidates seeking election to the Doyon Foundation board must be:

- A Doyon shareholder.
- 18 years of age or older.
- Knowledgeable about private foundation management and higher education.
- Familiar with the Foundation's strategic plan, long-term vision and goals, and updated mission and purpose, which are available for review at [www.doyonfoundation.com/static/mgv.aspx](http://www.doyonfoundation.com/static/mgv.aspx).

- Committed to spending up to 200 hours a year carrying out the duties of a board member; this includes attending quarterly board meetings, serving on two board committees on a volunteer basis, completing work outside of meetings, representing the Foundation at various events, and speaking on behalf of the Foundation at events, if asked.

This year, the Foundation is particularly interested in candidates who have experience and talents in one or more of the following areas:

- Fundraising.
- Financial management and budgeting.
- Investment management of endowed funds.

#### **Important Notice**

Please note that, under federal laws governing private foundations, family members of Doyon Foundation board members are not eligible to receive a Doyon Foundation basic or competitive scholarship during their term on the board. Family members are defined as the board members' spouse, ancestors, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the spouses of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Current Doyon Foundation scholarship recipients are also not eligible to serve on the board.

For more information, [visit the Foundation's Web site.](#)

#### **Thank You to New Donors**

Doyon Foundation extends its deep gratitude to its newest donors:

- ACS, \$3,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Alaska Airlines, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- Alaska Interstate Construction, LLC, \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Alaska National Insurance Company, \$750 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- American Mechanical, Inc., \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Arctic - Brice JV, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Arctic Office Products, \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, \$750 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- B & H Promotions, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- B & M Bainton in memory of Lu Young, \$25 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Bertha Bucher in memory of Lu Young, \$250 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- BP, \$5,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Calista Corporation, \$5,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor

- CCCI in memory of Lu Young, \$500 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- CCCI, \$1,000 donor
- CH2M HILL, \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Chugach Alaska Corp., \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- CIRI, \$5,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc., \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- ConocoPhillips, Inc. in memory of Lu Young, \$2,000 donor
- Control Contactors, Inc. \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Mike & Sharon Cook, \$100 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Design Collaborative, \$500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Dorsey and Whitney, LLP, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Doyon Emerald, \$3,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Doyon Family of Companies, \$15,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Doyon, Limited Board Member Robert Brean, \$100 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Doyon, Limited Board Member Georgianna Lincoln, \$100 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Earnest Partners, LLC, \$400 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Eyak Corporation in memory of Lu Young, \$500 donor
- Fairbanks Convention and Visitors Bureau, \$1,820 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Flowline Alaska, Inc., \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Frontier Alaska, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- GCI, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Grant Creations, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- Guess & Rudd, \$100 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Guess & Rudd, \$500 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- MC & JE Harper in memory of Lu Young, \$25 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor

- Horizon North Logistics, Inc., \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Interior Regional Housing Authority, \$250 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- KeyBank, \$15,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Koniag, Inc., \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Lavelle's Bistro, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- Loadmaster Engineering, Inc., \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Marcep Manufacturing, Ltd., \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Candice Miller in memory of Lu Young, \$100 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Alan & Pamela Mintz in memory of Lu Young, \$200 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- North American Shipbuilding, LLC in memory of Lu Young, \$250 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Northrim Bank, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Peak Oilfield Service Company, \$5,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- PSPA in memory of Lu Young, \$250 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Richards, Johnson and Granberry, P.C., \$500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Santina's Flowers and Gifts, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Sealaska Corporation, \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Sibson Consulting, \$1,000, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Edna Silva / BP Fabric of America, \$500 donor
- Beverly Staskanis in memory of Lu Young, \$50 Nee Ts'e Neyh donor
- Stoel Rives, LLP, \$1,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- SunShine Custom Promotions, LLC, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- Tanana Chiefs Conference in memory of Lu Young, \$2,500 donor
- Teamsters Local 959, \$2,500 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- Thompson Metal Fab, Inc., \$5,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor

- Tyonek Native Corporation, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic in-kind donor
- United Way of the Tanana Valley, \$202.30 donor
- Usibelli Foundation, \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor
- ZRB Resources, LLC, \$1,000 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic donor

To learn more about how you can show support of Doyon Foundation, please visit [www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) or call 907.459.2048 or 1.888.478.4755 ext. 2048.

### **Spring 2010 Basic Scholarship Application Now Available Online**

The online application for 2010 spring semester basic scholarships is now available online. Applications are due **November 15, 2009**.

Basic scholarships range from \$400 for part-time students to \$800 for full-time students. To apply, students must submit:

- A complete online application form.
- Proof of academic enrollment.
- Official transcripts.

Returning students who received a fall or winter 2009 scholarship must also submit proof that they pre-ordered their official transcripts, which will show their final fall semester grades, on or before the November 15 deadline.

For more information, visit [www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) or contact Greg Bringhurst at 907.459.2048 or [bringhurstg@doyon.com](mailto:bringhurstg@doyon.com).

### **Foundation Hosts Scholarship Award Ceremony**



*Doyon Foundation students Kim Nicholas, Joseph DeWilde, Norman Carlo, Kristen Dullen, Joel Titus, Megan Hosken, Daphne Aitla and Charles Esmailka attended the scholarship award ceremony on August 28, 2009.*

Doyon Foundation students, staff, donors and other supporters gathered for the Foundation's 2009 scholarship award ceremony on August 28 in Fairbanks. During the ceremony, the Foundation awarded more than \$232,000 in scholarships to 238 students.

The scholarships awards included 19 competitive scholarships, ranging from \$2,000 to \$7,000 for the 2009 - 2010 academic year; 176 basic, \$800 scholarships to full-time students for the fall 2009 semester; and 43 basic, \$400 scholarships to part-time students for the fall 2009 semester. [Visit the Foundation's blog](#) to view the list of 2009 - 2010 competitive scholarship award recipients.

"We are so proud of each and every one of our scholarship recipients, and we wish them the best of luck in the coming academic year. If there is anything the Foundation can do to offer support, we encourage our students to contact us," said Doris Miller,

the Foundation's interim executive director.

One of this year's scholarship recipients is Raymond (Ramy) Brooks, who was the keynote speaker at the ceremony. Brooks, who received the Ruederich competitive scholarship this year, is a junior at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where he is pursuing a bachelor's of science degree in geological engineering. [Visit the Foundation's blog](#) to read Brooks' keynote speech.

For more information, please contact Doris Miller, Doyon Foundation's interim executive director, at 907.459.2050 or [millerd@doyon.com](mailto:millerd@doyon.com).

#### **2009 Graduate Yearbook Update**

Following the distribution of Doyon Foundation's 2009 graduate yearbook in June, the Foundation received a new addition to the list, which is detailed below. For further additions or corrections, please contact Doris Miller at 907.459.2050 or [millerd@doyon.com](mailto:millerd@doyon.com).



#### **Melissa Phipps**

**Hometown:** Fairbanks, Alaska

**School:** University of Alaska Fairbanks

**Degree:** Bachelor's degree in social work, with a minor in Alaska Native studies

**Next steps:** "I'm currently looking for a job, but I don't know where life will take me yet."

**Parents and grandparents:** Jack and Vicky Phipps; Glenn and Lena Gregory

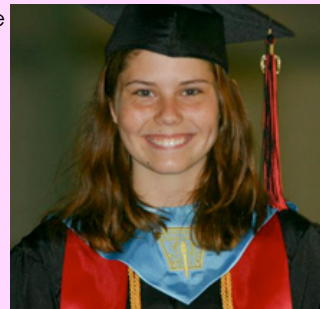
**Doyon Foundation kudos:** "Doyon Foundation gave me a second chance when I didn't do too well in school the first time around. I'm so glad they let me try again and prove I could succeed in college. I've met a lot of new people at the Doyon student functions."

To see the original 2009 graduate yearbook, which includes photos and short profiles of Doyon shareholders who graduated during the 2008 - 2009 academic year, please visit [www.doyonfoundation.com/static/files/Doyon\\_eLN\\_6-17-09.pdf](http://www.doyonfoundation.com/static/files/Doyon_eLN_6-17-09.pdf).

#### **Doyon Foundation Student Profile: McKenzie Schmidt**

For Doyon Foundation student McKenzie Schmidt, paying for college has been the most challenging part of pursuing her higher education aspirations.

"To overcome this, I saved my money, had some help from my family and friends, and applied for scholarships. I am going to continue to apply for scholarships to make this challenge easier," said Schmidt, who is currently a freshman pursuing a master's degree in electrical engineering at Northern Arizona University. After graduating in 2014, Schmidt, who is originally from Wasilla, plans to return to Alaska and work as an electrical engineer.



Schmidt has already had some scholarship success, and was recently awarded with a scholarship through the CH2M HILL Scholarship Program. The goal of the program is to provide financial aid to Alaska Native students, which will assist them in achieving their college educational goals and prepare them for jobs on the Trans Alaska Pipeline System.

Schmidt is appreciative of the role Doyon Foundation has played in her education to date.

"Doyon Foundation helped me in many ways and I hope that they continue to help me," she said. "First, they have scholarships of their own that they give out to students. I plan on applying for all of the scholarships that pertain to me. Second, Doyon Foundation put me on an e-mail list that notified me when scholarships became available. I was informed of the CH2M HILL Scholarship, which after I applied, I had received."

Schmidt encourages other students to apply for scholarships, even if "you aren't sure you'll get it."

"I wasn't sure how many people had applied to the CH2M HILL scholarship, or if I would even have a chance, but I still applied and I received the scholarship. So apply for as many scholarships as you can," Schmidt advised.

When she's not studying electrical engineering or searching for scholarships, Schmidt said she likes volunteering with the Boys & Girls Club at the Goose Bay Clubhouse in Wasilla.

"I enjoy working with the younger students and plan on volunteering when I come back to Alaska for the summer," said Schmidt, who has been volunteering there for the past four years.

Schmidt's mother is Christine Schmidt of Wasilla; father is Tracy Schmidt of Willow; maternal grandparents are Vicki Otte of McGrath and Michael Minsch of Willow; paternal grandparents are Shirley Schmidt of Wasilla and the late Norman Schmidt.

### **Call for Student Profiles**

Doyon Foundation is committed to connecting students with each other and highlighting student efforts and achievements. To this end, each issue of the Doyon Foundation e-newsletter features a profile on a different Doyon Foundation student. Profiles are also posted on the Foundation's Web site at [www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) and the Doyon Foundation blog at [www.doyonfoundationblog.com](http://www.doyonfoundationblog.com).

Students interested in being featured in a profile are encouraged to complete the new student profile questionnaire posted at <http://fs8.formsite.com/doyonfoundation/StudentProfile/index.html>. Doyon Foundation alumni are also invited to complete the form.

For more information, or to view past student and alumni profiles, visit [www.doyonfoundation.com/static/profiles.aspx](http://www.doyonfoundation.com/static/profiles.aspx) or [www.doyonfoundationblog.com](http://www.doyonfoundationblog.com).

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In addition to internship, scholarship and educational opportunities, the blog also features career information, award nominations, job openings, student profiles, technology news, tips for success and more. Visitors can also post comments, search for articles of interest and link to other Web sites.

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