



Doyon Foundation offers four scholarship programs, including the **Competitive, Basic, Short Term Vocational and Advanced College Credit Scholarship programs.**

To be eligible for these programs, applicants must:

1. Be enrolled to Doyon, Limited or be the child of an original enrollee. Enrollees are defined as stockholders holding class A, B, C, or D shares. Individuals who are enrolled in more than one regional corporation are eligible if their first enrollment was with Doyon, Limited. Gifted or inherited shares do not qualify an individual for scholarship eligibility. *If the student is a child of an original shareholder, an original birth certificate (BC) is required for verification. Once the original BC is received, a copy is made and it is immediately returned. Students can also send a certified (notarized) copy.*
2. For competitive and basic students: be accepted to an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school, and be in a program that lasts at least six weeks or 120 hours.
3. For short-term vocational student: be in a course or program that is less than 120 hours.
4. Maintain the following cumulative grade point average (GPA):
 - Undergraduates: 2.00
 - Graduate or Masters: 3.00
 - Specialists or Doctorates: 3.25

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If a new student applies with a GPA below these criteria, the student will immediately be placed on probation for the first funding period. If a returning student's GPA falls below these criteria during any funding period, the student will be placed on probation. If the student fails to increase his/her cumulative GPA to the minimum level during the probation period, sequential funding will be canceled and the student must successfully complete a semester on his/her own before reapplying for funding.

5. Have a high school diploma or GED (except for the advanced college credit award).

Both **competitive and basic scholarship** students must submit an online application form and transcripts **each semester** (please read attached detailed requirements for competitive and basic scholarships). Students funded in the fall semester who plan to continue school in the spring must re-apply online by 5 PM, November 15 (materials can be postmarked by November 15) to receive funding for the spring. Students who apply and are not selected to receive a competitive award will automatically be awarded a basic scholarship if all criteria are met. Students do not need to submit separate online applications for the competitive and basic scholarships.

Short term vocational scholarship students may apply year round for funding. Doyon Foundation will pay the actual cost of the course or program, not to exceed \$400. Students may receive only one such award per year. This is funded on a first come first served basis.

Advanced College Credit students may apply year round for funding. Doyon Foundation will pay the actual cost of the course or program, not to exceed \$400. High school students are eligible to receive this award as long as their school district does not pay for advanced placement classes. This is funded on a first come first served basis.

Please note: Undergraduate and vocational students can receive a maximum of \$10,000 in scholarships throughout their entire undergraduate or vocational career. Students seeking a one-year to two-year master's degree are eligible to receive an additional \$10,000 for a total maximum of \$20,000. Students seeking a three-year to five-year graduate degree (PhD, MD, JD, etc.) can receive an additional \$10,000 for a total maximum of \$30,000.

IT IS THE STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT THE DOYON FOUNDATION TO ENSURE HIS/HER FILE IS COMPLETE AND POSTMARKED BY THE APPROPRIATE DEADLINES.

Please contact Doyon Foundation directly, or visit the Web site with any questions.

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COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Must be postmarked on or before April 15 every year

**Full-time students only
Awards range between \$2,000 - \$7,000**

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Applicants applying for the Doyon Foundation Competitive Scholarship must be attending school full-time and must re-apply each year. If full-time status is not met for any reason during the funding year, the scholarship will be terminated. Competitive applications are only accepted online. An independent scholarship committee reviews each application packet and scores the following areas: personal essay (40 points possible), grade point average (40 points possible), letters of recommendation (30 points possible), and personal impression (10 points possible).

APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING BY APRIL 15:

<input type="checkbox"/>	ONLINE APPLICATION FORM
<input type="checkbox"/>	PROOF OF ENROLLMENT This includes a copy of letter of acceptance, enrollment verification letter, or current semester course registration form from the school the student will be attending.
<input type="checkbox"/>	OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted. High School students new to higher education must submit their most current senior level official transcripts or original GED scores. Students returning to higher education must submit their most recent official university, college or vocational school transcripts. <i>Returning students (students who have received a Doyon Foundation scholarship the previous deadline) are required to submit proof they <u>preordered</u> current official transcripts to be mailed when grades are posted (proof of purchase, email order confirmation, etc.).</i> Each student's GPA will be scored for a total of 40 possible points. For example, a GPA of 3.2 equals 32 points. High school students who have not yet graduated are to submit their most recent official transcripts, and also submit final high school official transcripts upon graduation
<input type="checkbox"/>	PERSONAL ESSAY The essay needs to focus on four topics, which will be scored up to ten points each for a total score of 40 possible points. The four topics include: 1) educational goals, 2) professional goals, 3) extra-curricular and community service activities or volunteerism and 4) cultural awareness and contributions to a healthy Native community. Essays are included with the online application. The online essay portion is broken out into the four topic areas and each topic area should be no more than 250 words. Students should outline how they intend to achieve their goals, and focus on their strengths. Returning students should not submit their previously submitted essay, but rather revise their original essay to incorporate current events, achievements and growth experiences. Proofread and run spell-check!
<input type="checkbox"/>	TWO PROFESSIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION The letters of recommendation should come from individuals who can attest to the student's academic abilities, professional and educational development, community involvement or cultural activities. Recommendation letters must be currently dated, limited to two pages and <u>submitted directly by the author to Doyon Foundation</u> , Attn: Competitive Scholarship Review Committee, 714 4 th Avenue, Ste 302B, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701. Recommendation letters must be written on letterhead, include the author's contact information, and have an original signature. Letters of recommendation from immediate family members will not be accepted. The letters of recommendation are worth total of 30 possible points.

The personal impression for the overall application packet will be scored for a total of 10 possible points. Tips to maximize personal impression points include: do not include pictures, folders, resumes or cover letters with the application; include a well-rounded essay and letters of recommendation addressing all the focus points; and ensure the professional quality of all submitted materials.

Doyon Foundation encourages scholarship recipients of \$5,000 or more to complete one summer internship. Scholarship recipients of less than \$5,000 are encouraged to complete one of the following: 1) volunteer at least 20 hours, 2) serve on a local or regional board, or 3) give presentations on their field of study. The Doyon Foundation requests that recipients submit a written report detailing the internship/service and lessons learned within one month of completing the activity.

Competitive recipients funded in the fall semester must reapply for the spring semester by November 15. Students can reapply by submitting an online application by November 15. Half of competitive award is distributed in Fall and the other half in Spring.

BASIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Must be postmarked on or before the following deadlines every year:

April 15 - Fall deadline

September 15 - Winter deadline (part or full-time vocational students only)

November 15 - Spring deadline

March 15 - Summer deadline

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Part-time and full-time students may apply

Awards range between \$400 (part-time students) and \$800 (full-time students) per semester

Basic scholarships are awarded on a semester basis.

Applicants applying for the Doyon Foundation Basic Scholarship may be attending school either part-time or full-time. Applicants must submit: 1) a complete **application form** (an online application is preferred), 2) **proof of enrollment** (i.e. copy of letter of acceptance, enrollment verification letter, or current semester course registration form) from the school he/she will be attending, 3) Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted. High School students new to higher education must submit their most current senior level official transcript or original GED scores. Students returning to higher education must submit their most recent official university, college or vocational school transcripts. *Returning students (students who have received a Doyon Foundation scholarship the previous deadline) are required to submit proof they preordered current official transcripts to be mailed when grades are posted (proof of purchase, email order confirmation, etc.).*

Basic vocational students are defined as those enrolled in a one-year to three-year certificate or associate's degree program. Vocational students may apply for any two of the fall, winter, and spring deadlines and can additionally apply for the summer deadline, to equal three awards per academic year.

Basic undergraduate students are defined as those enrolled in a four-year minimum bachelor degree program. Undergraduate students may apply for the April 15 (fall), November 15 (spring) and March 15 (summer) deadline.

Basic graduate students are defined as those enrolled in any degree program upon completion of their bachelor degree (i.e. master's, JD, MD or PhD). Graduate students may apply for the April 15 (fall), November 15 (spring) and March 15 (summer) deadline.

Students funded in the fall semester must reapply for the spring semester by 5 p.m., November 15. Students can reapply by submitting an online application.

Short term vocational scholarship students are defined as those enrolled in a course or program that is less than 120 hours. Short term vocational students may apply for only one such award per year. Short term vocational students must complete a separate "Short Term Vocational/Advanced College Credit" application and submit the required materials.

Advanced College Credit scholarship students are defined as high school students enrolled in a course or program where they receive credit. Advanced College Credit students must complete a separate "Short Term/Advanced College Credit" application and submit the required materials.

