TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AN ENDOWED FUND

NAME OF ENDOWMENT FUND (OSOTF III)

Métis Nation of Ontario Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

This fund was established by the Métis Nation of Ontario and the Métis Training Initiatives to benefit Métis students who will now have a window of opportunity to pursue their post-secondary education. This will have a major impact on the future well-being of Métis families and on the Métis Nation as a whole. The founders of this fund appreciate the financial assistance of Human Resource and Development Canada and the matching contribution of the Government of Ontario through its Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund program.

PURPOSE OF FUND

To provide financial assistance to Métis students.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:

1. self-identify as Métis;
2. have at least one grandparent who is or was an Aboriginal person;
3. not be registered as an Indian under the Indian Act, or as an Inuk on an Inuit Registry;
4. be registered at the University of Ottawa on a full or part-time basis;
5. be an Ontario resident, as per OSAP rules;
6. demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Financial Aid and Awards Service of the University of Ottawa; and
7. demonstrate contribution to future employability or employment.

Value of the Award: Minimum $500

Number of Awards: Variable

Frequency of the Award: Annual

Renewable: Yes

Level of the Award: Undergraduate and graduate

Application Contact: Financial Aid and Awards Service

Application Deadline: October 31

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications must be made through Online Scholarships and Bursaries, which can be accessed through
https://scholarships.uottawa.ca, and should include:

1. a Métis Verification Form, available at the Financial Aid and Awards Service;

2. the Financial Questionnaire; and

3. a two-page description on the applicant's area of study and how it will contribute to future employability or employment. Applicants may also include information on the following criteria: academic distinction, good citizenship, active role played within the Métis community within Ontario, humanitarianism or voluntarism.

[1] OSOTF: Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund

[2] OSAP: Ontario Student Assistance Program