



## Cherokee Nation Directed Studies Scholarship Program ~GUIDELINES~

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of the competitive Cherokee Directed Studies Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to deserving students pursuing higher education in a specific study area aimed at strengthening the Cherokee Nation government and economy.

- **Eligibility**
- Must be a citizen of the Cherokee Nation
- Must be a resident of the fourteen-county jurisdictional area or contiguous counties (See Map)
- Must be a full time student. Must be accepted in a Professional, Masters or upper level Bachelor's Program/School.
- Must have an approved major degree plan on file.
- Medical Field Degrees are encouraged to apply for the Indian Health Services Scholarship.
- Must submit official transcripts at the end of each semester.
- Must maintain a grade point average that is in good standing with school.
- Must attend the Cherokee Summer Institute as required.
- Must sign a contract to work for Cherokee Nation for two years after graduation
- **Selection Criteria:**
  - A. Students in Professional Schools
  - B. Students Accepted in Masters Level Program
  - C. Students with Bachelor's Degree Plan on File
  - D. Grade Point Average
  - E. At Least 60 College Credit Hours with Admission to Degree Program
- Cherokee Nation will assist with the following (at a limited rate):
  - A. Tuition
  - B. Books
  - C. Fees
  - D. Room/Board (University Housing Only)
  - E. Required Equipment (limited)
  - F. Pre-Test, Post Test, License Fees

**Semester Deadlines:**            **Spring 2010:** November 6, 2009, 5 p.m.

**Summer 2010:** March 26, 2010, 5 p.m.

**Fall 2010:** June 18, 2010, 5 p.m.

**For An Application Packet or More Information Contact:**

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*Cherokee Nation building Leaders of tomorrow to sustain our Government and enhance Economic Opportunity for the Benefit of all Cherokee citizens.*