

# 2011 BPA Regional Tribal Scholarship

**2011/2012 Academic School Year**

**10 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

[up to \$2,500 each]

**SPONSORED BY**

THE BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION

To **QUALIFY**, you must:

- Be a **full-time student** at an accredited university, college, technical school or graduate school program during the 2011/2012 academic year;
- Have a **minimum 2.5 GPA**;
- Be an **enrolled member** of a federally recognized tribe located within the BPA service region; and
- **Major in a field related to careers at BPA.** Preference will be given to students engaged in courses of study leading to professional careers in electrical engineering, finance, business, accounting, statistics, economics and natural resources; or technical degrees leading to careers in the electrical crafts.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

**Thursday, March 7, 2011**

For further information,  
please call BPA Tribal Affairs at (503) 230-7685.



## APPLICATION

The BPA Regional Tribal Scholarship, sponsored by the Bonneville Power Administration, is available for the 2011/2012 academic school year. Ten scholarships of up to \$2,500 will be awarded to qualified applicants attending an accredited college, university, technical school or graduate school program of choice. Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for a BPA Regional Tribal Scholarship.

Applicants must:

1. Be a full-time student at an accredited college, university, technical school or graduate school program during the 2010/2011 academic year;
2. Have a minimum 2.5 GPA;
3. Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe located within the BPA service region (please see attached list); and
4. Be studying in a field related to careers at BPA. Preference will be given to students engaged in courses of study leading to professional careers in electrical engineering, finance, business, accounting, statistics, economics and natural resources; or technical degrees leading to careers in the electrical crafts.

To be considered for this scholarship, the following materials must be submitted to the Bonneville Power Administration Tribal Affairs Office by Monday, March 7, 2011:

1. The signed application form;
2. Official documentation from your tribe verifying your tribal enrollment and membership number;
3. A letter of acceptance (copy) from accredited college, university, technical school or graduate school;
4. An essay of 500 words or less completing the following phrase, "Renewable Energy means . . ."
5. A resumé containing the following elements: an educational and professional goals statement; professional and education experience; leadership and community service activities; and any other pertinent information you feel the evaluation committee should know in judging your application;
6. A letter of recommendation; and
7. Academic transcript(s):
  - a. **For incoming freshmen:** high school transcript and college/university transcripts for any classes taken while concurrently enrolled in high school (unofficial transcript(s) accepted).
  - b. **For continuing or transfer students:** all college/university transcripts (unofficial transcript(s) accepted).

Applications will be evaluated on academic merit and strength of essay by a cross agency evaluation panel looking at academic coursework, major field of study, leadership, community service, academic achievements and overcoming obstacles.

# FREQUENT PROBLEMS with Scholarship Applications

The BPA Regional Tribal Scholarship is a highly competitive award. The principal reasons an applicant may not be awarded a scholarship are:

- Coursework and plan of study is unrelated to BPA career fields;
- Career plans and goals are not clearly articulated in the application;
- Applicant's values, interests and motivation are not revealed in the application;
- Little evidence of leadership; or
- Lack of demonstrated tribal community involvement.

Faculty representatives or academic references may request feedback from the Tribal Affairs Office concerning unsuccessful applicants who are eligible to reapply by contacting the Bonneville Power Administration Tribal Affairs Office at (503) 230-7685 or [tribalaffairs@bpa.gov](mailto:tribalaffairs@bpa.gov). The Tribal Affairs Office does not provide feedback directly to individual applicants.

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## Thursday, March 7, 2011

#### Submit typed application materials to:

Department of Energy  
Bonneville Power Administration  
Tribal Affairs Program – DKT  
P.O. Box 3621  
Portland OR, 97208-3621

BPA is a not-for-profit federal electric utility that markets more than a third of the electricity consumed in the Pacific Northwest. The power is produced at 31 federal dams and one nuclear plant in the Northwest and is sold to more than 140 Northwest utilities, including two tribal utilities. BPA also operates a high-voltage transmission grid comprising more than 15,000 miles of lines and associated substations in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

To learn more about the Bonneville Power Administration, please visit our website at [www.bpa.gov](http://www.bpa.gov).

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## APPLICATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT ID # \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS:

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT ADDRESS:

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF TRIBE OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ENROLLMENT NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL:

NAME OF SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ CITY, STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CUMULATIVE GPA \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY:

NAME OF SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ CITY, STATE \_\_\_\_\_ CUMULATIVE GPA \_\_\_\_\_

ACADEMIC MAJOR/GRADUATE FIELD OF STUDY \_\_\_\_\_

WILL YOU BE A FULL-TIME STUDENT IN THE FALL OF 2011?  YES  NO

EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION \_\_\_\_\_ MONTH/YEAR

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE CONTACT PERSON/ADDRESS/PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN RECEIVING INFORMATION ABOUT CAREERS WITH BPA?  YES  NO

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

