SCTC Financial Aid Opportunities

Tribal Scholarships
SCTC accepts scholarship payments from various Tribes’ Higher Education Departments. Please refer to your Tribe’s specific guidelines and application requirements.

Pell Grant
The Federal Pell Grant Program provides need-based grants to low-income undergraduates and certain post-baccalaureate students to promote access to postsecondary education. Grant amounts are dependent on the student’s expected family contribution (EFC), the cost of attendance (as determined by the institution), the student’s enrollment status (full-time or part-time), and whether the student attends for the full academic year or less. Pell grants are considered a foundation of federal aid, to which aid from other federal and nonfederal sources may be added.

Lumina Angel Fund
This fund is an emergency grant that assists eligible Native American students in time of emergencies and unanticipated crises that would otherwise impair the student’s ability to remain in school. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office.

American Indian College Fund
Full Circle and TCU scholarships are available to eligible students. Scholarships may be used for college-related expenses such as tuition, fees, books, supplies, transportation, childcare, rent, and personal expenses.

Full Circle Scholarship guidelines and online application are available on the American Indian College Fund (AICF) website at www.collegefund.org and the deadline is May 31 of each year for the following academic year.
TCU Scholarships are administered by SCTC and require an online application through www.collegefund.org. Students must apply each semester, be enrolled in at least nine credit hours, and have a 2.5 cumulative grade point average. For complete eligibility requirements, please see the Financial Aid Office in the West Building.

Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver
This program is for members of U.S. federally recognized tribes who are Michigan residents for 12 consecutive months, and no less than 1/4 blood quantum as certified by the person’s tribal association. Applications are available on the SCTC website.

Michigan Tuition Incentive Program
The Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) is an incentive program that encourages eligible students to complete high school by providing tuition assistance for the first two years of college and beyond. To meet the financial eligibility requirement, a student must have (or have had) Medicaid coverage for 24 months within a 36-consecutive-month period as identified by the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS). TIP provides assistance in two phases. Phase 1 covers tuition and mandatory fee charges for eligible students enrolled in a credit-based associate degree or certificate program at a participating Michigan community college, public university, degree-granting independent college, federal tribally-controlled college or Focus: HOPE.