

# Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship Fund

2020

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship Fund is a nationally registered charity established in memory of the late Chief Joe Mathias to support Chief Mathias' vision of post-secondary education for all First Nation persons. The Fund is an incorporated society under the Society Act of British Columbia.

The purposes of the Society are to advance education by providing educational scholarships to deserving British Columbia First Nation students who are in financial need and who demonstrate merit, in order to improve access to post-secondary education so that deserving British Columbia First Nation persons can acquire the knowledge and skills needed to participate in a changing economy and society, including scholarships to enable deserving British Columbia First Nation students to engage in:

- ❖ Courses of study towards an academic degree, or a certificate or diploma, at an eligible post-secondary educational institution at an undergraduate level; or
- ❖ Post-graduate academic studies at an eligible post-secondary educational institution, wherever located.

## ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS

The Society will grant scholarships only to persons who:

- ❖ Are members or citizens of a British Columbia First Nation (or BC Indian Band) – British Columbia First Nation means a band (within the meaning of “band” in the *Indian Act*) that is located in British Columbia,
- ❖ Are enrolled at an eligible post-secondary educational institution as a full-time, or part-time, student;
- ❖ Are pursuing studies that lead to a degree or to a certificate or diploma from that institution; and
- ❖ Are in financial need and demonstrate merit.

Preference will be given to candidates who wish to pursue and excel in academic pursuits with the greatest potential benefit to the welfare and advancement of aboriginal communities and causes.

Examples of Ineligible Fields of Study:

- ❖ Conferences / symposiums / workshops
- ❖ Professional Fees / schools
- ❖ Education at non-recognized post-secondary institutions
- ❖ Executive / Management programs
- ❖ Trades & Fine Arts programs

## **ELIGIBLE POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION**

The scholarships will be provided to eligible recipients for post-secondary studies at:

- ❑ A public post-secondary educational institution that grants degrees, certificates or diplomas; or
- ❑ A private post-secondary educational institutional that grants degrees, certificates or diplomas and that is determined by the Board to be an eligible institution.

## **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

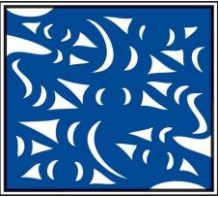
The Board may in its discretion establish, amend or revoke:

- ❑ Criteria, terms or conditions, that are not in conflict with the foregoing, or the Society's constitution or bylaws, that must be met or satisfied by a person applying for or receiving a scholarship from the Society, including criteria, terms or conditions that must be met or satisfied for continuation of scholarship payments; and
- ❑ Factors to be considered by the Board in the selection of a candidate for a scholarship that are not in conflict with the foregoing, or the Society's constitution or bylaws, and that may include academic achievement, personal qualities and character, interest and participation in post-secondary educational institution and community affairs, development of a program of studies and special aptitude and qualification for that program.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Scholarship Applications will be reviewed at least once per year by the Board or by a committee formed for the purpose of making scholarship recommendations to the Board.

Scholarship Applications must conform with all requirements of the following application Form. Should you have any questions please email [chiefjoemathias@gmail.com](mailto:chiefjoemathias@gmail.com).



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## Scholarship Application Form

Be sure to read this Application Form carefully, answer each question (please type or print) and sign this Application Form.

1. Who is eligible? The Society may grant a scholarship only to an individual who is a member of a British Columbia First Nation – that is, either:
  - a member of a British Columbia “band” (within the meaning of the *Indian Act*), or
  - a member or citizen of a British Columbia first nation that is party to a treaty with Canada or with Canada and British Columbia.
2. What Parts of this Application Form must be completed? All applicants must complete Part I of this Application Form.

All applicants must also complete the additional Part of this Application Form that applies to the scholarship they are applying for – that is, either:

- Part II – Entrance or Undergraduate Scholarship, or
  - Part III – Post-Graduate Scholarship.
3. What support material must I provide? For all Scholarship levels, please include the following with your Application Form:
    - 2 letters of reference from faculty, supervisor or employer, or, if applying for an entrance scholarship, from 2 references as required by paragraph 2.12
    - Grade transcripts
    - Proof of registration confirming your admission to your program of study
    - Resume or Curriculum Vitae
    - A letter of introduction. Include any information that will make your request a compelling one and special considerations the Board should know. (1 inch margin, single spaced, 12 point font)
    - Letter from a person in authority required under paragraph 1.19 below.

**\*Note that all supporting material and the completed application form must be received by June 13, 2020. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

4. Who do I send the completed Application Form and support material to? All applications must be forwarded directly to:

Attention: Kamana Bikadi  
c/o Board of Directors  
Chief Joe Mathias BC Aboriginal Scholarship Fund  
PO BOX 2177 Vancouver Main,  
Vancouver BC, V6B 3V7

Or electronically submitted (preferred) to **ChiefJoeMathias@gmail.com**. Note that application packages sent electronically must be included in **one** PDF document sent in a single email with the subject line as your name and the type of scholarship you are applying for.

5. When is my application due? Scholarship Applications and support material are due, and must be received at, the above address by no later than **June 13, 2020**. Late applications will not be considered.

If you have any questions, please contact the Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Scholarship Fund at the address provided in paragraph 3 above, or send an email to [ChiefJoeMathias@gmail.com](mailto:ChiefJoeMathias@gmail.com).

# Part I — All Applicants Must Complete This Part

(Insert additional page(s) if required)

1.0 Which scholarship are you applying for:    Entrance    Undergraduate    Graduate

1.1 Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name and Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have changed your name since you last applied, please indicate your previous surname:

1.2 Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

1.3 Mailing Address:    as above, or:

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

1.4 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ (Day/Month/Year) Social Insurance Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (for T4A tax purposes)

1.5 Province(s) of residence for the five year period before starting full-time studies was:

British Columbia    Other(s) (Specify, with dates of residence.)

1.6 Next of Kin (use someone not living with you): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

1.7 Have you applied for or received a Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship before?

Yes    No

If yes, please indicate:

a) year(s) \_\_\_\_\_ b) If received, value of award(s) \_\_\_\_\_

1.8 If you are applying for a Canada Student Loan/British Columbia Student Loan/Other Canadian Provincial Student Loan, please indicate:

a) Canada Student Loan Amount Applied for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of program applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of Assistance (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

b) British Columbia Student Loan Amount Applied for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of program applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of Assistance (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

c) Other Canadian Provincial Loan Amount Applied for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of program applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of Assistance (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

1.9 Have you approached your First Nation/Community for funding? Yes No

If **No**, state why \_\_\_\_\_

Has your First Nation agreed to fund you? Yes No

How much will you receive? \$ \_\_\_\_\_ If **No**, state why \_\_\_\_\_

1.10 What other funding sources have you explored? *Examples:* Corporate Scholarships, Student Loan, University Bursaries

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

1.11 Are you receiving funding assistance from any other sources for your education costs or living expenses?  
Yes No

If yes, what sources and what amounts?

Source \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

1.12 Are One or Both Parents Employed? One or Two **OR** Is Your Partner Employed? Yes No

Father's Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

1.13 Is your family or partner able to contribute to your education costs or living expenses? Yes No

If **NO**, briefly explain why \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how much is family/partner contributing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1.14 Are you currently employed? Yes No

If **NO**, how long have you been out of work? Months \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

If **YES**, how long have you been employed? Months \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Annual earnings \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **After Taxes**

Have you had a summer employment or held a p/t employment? Yes No

If **YES**, how much did you earn during that period? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- 1.15 a) In the last calendar year, your pre-tax income was \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the pre-tax income of your spouse was \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b) In the current calendar year, your pre-tax income will be approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the pre-tax income of your spouse will be approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1.16 How many dependents do you have? (Include spouse) \_\_\_\_\_.
- 1.17 Expenses: What do you estimate your following expenses will be?

	From January 1 to June 30	From June 30 to December 31	Total
a) Tuition			
b) Text Books			
c) Other Academic Supplies			
d) Accommodation			
e) Food			
f) Transportation			
g) Other (Identify)			
i) _____			
ii) _____			
iii) _____			
iv) _____			
v) _____			
vi) _____			
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

1.18 Please describe your involvement within your First Nation community? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

1.19 Which British Columbia First Nation are you a member or citizen of? \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose a letter from a person in authority within the administration of your First Nation verifying your membership or citizenship in the First Nation, together with the person's position, address and telephone number.

Person's name and position \_\_\_\_\_

Person's telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

***I hereby declare that the information in Part I of this Application Form is correct, that I shall be a full-time student for the academic period stated in this Application Form and that if I discontinue full-time studies during the stated period, I am liable to return all or a portion of any award provided to me.***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



2.11 Have you ever enrolled in or completed a post-secondary education program? Yes No

Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you graduate? Yes No

2.12 If you have not completed high school you must provide the names and addresses of 2 references (not relatives):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

2.13 In addition to required materials listed on page 1 (point 3), the following documents are required:

- a) a letter or class registration form from the post-secondary educational institution verifying your enrollment
- b) Grade 12 transcript if applicant completed high school

***I hereby declare that the information provided in Part II of this Application Form is correct, that I shall be a full-time student for the academic period stated in this application and that if I discontinue full-time studies during the stated period, I am liable to return all or a portion of any award provided to me.***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# Part III — Applicants for Graduate Scholarships Must Complete this Part

(Insert additional page(s) if required)

3.0 Please indicate the program you are enrolled in:      Masters      Doctorate

Field: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

3.1 Previous degree(s)                      Institution and Location                      Grade Average                      Year

Previous degree(s)	Institution and Location	Grade Average	Year

3.2 What awards have you received or will be entitled to (including teaching assistanceships) during this academic year?

Type \_\_\_\_\_ Value \_\_\_\_\_

Type	Value

3.3 When did you begin your masters/doctorate program?      Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

When do you anticipate graduation?      Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the dates on which you begin and end classes and/or research for the year for which you are applying for a scholarship.

Begin: \_\_\_\_\_ (Day/Month/Year)      End: \_\_\_\_\_ (Day/Month/Year)

3.4 Provide the names and numbers of courses you have taken or will be taking to complete your degree.  
(Insert additional page(s) if required)

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____
9. _____	10. _____

3.5 Indicate the names and addresses of two academic references (one of whom will be your supervisor).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: the Secretary of the Selection Committee will contact your references directly.

3.6 Provide a brief description of your major research project or thesis (Use separate sheet if necessary).

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3.7 In addition to required materials listed on page 1 (point 3), the following documents are required:

a) letters from two academic references as discussed above

b) transcripts of the most recent academic session must be submitted directly to the Board of Directors

***I hereby declare that the information provided in Part III of this Application Form is correct, that I shall be a full-time student for the academic period stated in this application and that if I discontinue full-time studies during the stated period, I am liable to return all or a portion of any award provided to me.***

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_