STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA FINANCIAL AID

STATE STUDENT INCENTIVE GRANT (SSIG).

The SSIG is administered by the North Dakota State University System. The SSIG award amount varies each semester. Students apply for this grant by completing the FAFSA by April 15.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE INDIAN SCHOLARSHIP (NDSIS).

The NDSIS may be used to pursue any full-time course of study offered in a regular academic year by an institution of higher learning or state educational program in North Dakota. To qualify, a student must be at least 1/4 degree Indian blood and a resident of North Dakota or must be an enrolled member of a tribe and now a resident of North Dakota. The NDSIS program offers two types of awards: financial need-based grants and merit scholarships. The priority date for applying is July 15. Applications are available from the North Dakota University System office located at the Kirkwood Office Tower, Suite 603, 919 South 7th St., Bismarck, ND 58504 and at the CCCC Financial Aid Office or online at www.ndus.nodak.edu

HIGHER EDUCATION RESOURCE ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENTS (HEROS) SCHOLARSHIP. This scholarship is available to students enrolled full-time in a North Dakota institute of higher education who has earned a minimum 3.00 grade point average or better and who is an enrolled member of a tribe. Up to seven \$100 scholarships are available: one per North Dakota reservation; one for any other federally recognized tribe; one for incoming freshman who have just recently graduated from high school; and one for a graduate student. Deadline date to apply is September 1. Applications are available at www.grandforksnd.us/heros/

NORTH DAKOTA SCHOLARS PROGRAM.

The North Dakota Scholars Program, a merit-based scholarship, provides approximately 40-45 new freshmen scholarships to North Dakota's best and brightest high school graduates to encourage them to remain in North Dakota to obtain their post-secondary training. The North Dakota Scholars Scholarship is a full tuition scholarship for students attending North Dakota's public and tribal colleges and a tuition scholarship equal to NDSU/ UND's tuition for students attending North Dakota's private institutions Persons interested in applying for the Scholars Scholarship or who may have any questions about the program are invited to contact the NDUS Director of Financial Aid via e-mail to peggy.wipf@ndsu.nodak.edu or by telephone (701) 328-4114.

NORTH DAKOTA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (NDEA) SCHOLARSHIP.

This scholarship assists students who want to enter the profession of teaching. One \$500 scholarship is awarded annually upon the recommendation of the NDEA Foundation. The applicant must be an undergraduate student in good standing with a 3.00 gpa; must be enrolled in a North Dakota institution of higher education; must be enrolled in a teacher education program; must be prepared in a professional manner. An application may be obtained from the ND Education Association, Box 5005,

Bismarck, ND 58502-5005. An application may be obtained from the CCCC Financial Aid Office. Deadline date is March 15.

NORTH DAKOTA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (NDEA) MINORITY AFFAIRS SCHOLARSHIP.

This scholarship assists minorities who want to enter the profession of teaching. Two \$500 scholarships are awarded annually upon the recommendation of the NDEA Minority Affairs Commission – one from a University and one from a Tribal College. The applicant must be a minority undergraduate student in good standing; must be enrolled in a North Dakota institution of higher education; must be enrolled in a teacher education program. An application may be obtained from the ND Education Association, Box 5005, Bismarck, ND 58502-5005. An application may be obtained from the CCCC Financial Aid Office. Deadline date is March 15.

NORTH DAKOTA PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (PTA) SCHOLARSHIP. The ND Congress of Parents and Teachers sponsors the ND PTA Scholarship. Applicants must be in their sophomore or junior years and must apply by March 31. This is a \$500 scholarship per 12-month period. The applicant must be a resident of North Dakota preparing to teach at the primary or secondary level. Applicants must write a response to the question: "What is your goal as a teacher and how do you assess your ability to achieve that goal?" Applicants may be obtained by contacting the ND Congress of Parents and Teachers, State Office, 810 Divide Avenue, Bismarck, ND 58501.

NORTH DAKOTA WOMEN'S OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

The North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services sponsors this scholarship. The intent is to provide a means by which low-income women in North Dakota can pursue a higher education in North Dakota schools. The applicant must be a North Dakota resident and enrolled in a North Dakota college; must be under the financial guidelines established for 125% of poverty; must have a completed application on file by July 15; must enroll full-time in an undergraduate academic degree or professional certification; must submit three letters of reference for the scholarship. Applications may be requested from the North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services, 418 E. Rosser #320, Bismarck, ND 58501. Scholarship recipients will be notified of scholarship awards in August.