

“Building Bridges to Advance Indigenous Leadership and Improve Youth Energy Literacy”

SENS Indigenous Student Bursaries

Purpose: The “Building Bridges to Advance Indigenous Leadership and Improve Youth Energy Literacy” initiative, supported through the Suncor Energy Foundation, focuses on removing systemic barriers for Indigenous students to gain leadership and educational training in energy security planning. Funding is intended to provide qualified Indigenous students with bursaries for tuition which will directly remove barriers to participation in the School of Environment and Sustainability (SENS) Master of Sustainability in Energy Security (MSs-Energy Security) academic programs and provide Indigenous peoples with pathways to career advancement and leadership in energy security.

SENS Indigenous student bursaries, supported by the Suncor Energy Foundation, are available to **Indigenous students registered** in the MSs-Energy Security program or the associated graduate certificate program. The award covers approximately 2-year or 1-year tuition for the program. To be eligible, students must submit:

- **Evidence of Indigenous Identity: Status card, provincial Metis card, or a letter in support of your Indigenous identity from your home community or an Elder.**
- **Two (2) community support letters**

Contact sens.info@usask.ca to apply. Evidence of Indigenous identity and community support letters must be received no later than July 31.

Terms and Conditions for Successful Applications:

1. Funding from this award can only be used to cover tuition costs in the MSs-Energy Security program. Student fees and tuition over and above the awarded amount are the responsibility of the student.
2. Monies will be paid out in equal instalments against the student’s account (at the start of each term the student is registered).
3. Failure to make satisfactory progress in the graduate program (including course work, research, and/or other program requirements) will result in immediate termination of the award and repayment of any part for which the student is ineligible for.
4. Withdrawal from the program prior to completion will result in any unused monies being returned immediately to the School of Environment and Sustainability to be used for other awards.
5. In the event a recipient has also received additional funds to support their tuition and other costs associated with the MSs-Energy Security program, the award may be reduced. Recipients must report all outside funding support to sens.info@usask.ca, regardless as to when they receive the outside funding.
6. Recipients are expected to write a brief thank you letter to the Suncor Energy Foundation for their generous donation for each academic year that the award is received. Thank-you letters are to be emailed to sens.info@usask.ca by September 30.