



Advancing the Tourism Profession in the NWT Two NWT Tourism \$2,500.00 Scholarships and One Rio Tinto Indigenous Student \$2,000.00 Scholarship

Northwest Territories Tourism (NWTT) is a not-for-profit organization. We are the Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) for the NWT, responsible for marketing tourism and tourism experiences across the territory. We also perform an advocacy role for close to 200 tourism business members from across the Northwest Territories. NWTT promotes tourism product locally, nationally, and internationally.

In August 2024, NWTT will be awarding three scholarships:

- A \$2,000 Rio Tinto Indigenous Student Scholarship which will be awarded to a qualified Indigenous student attending a post-secondary institution in an accredited Tourism and Hospitality program during the 2024/2025 academic year.
- NWT Tourism will award two \$2,500 scholarships, one of which will be prioritized for an Indigenous NWT resident student. The recipients will be selected on the basis of academic merit and previous and intended contributions to their community. This is the tenth year of our annual scholarship program.

Purpose

To encourage the pursuit of excellence in the Tourism Industry in the Northwest Territories.

Criteria

NWT Tourism invites you to apply for the scholarship if:

1. You are a resident of the Northwest Territories;
2. You have graduated from an NWT high school, with a Grade 12 diploma;
3. You have been accepted by or are enrolled in a recognized post-secondary institution, on a full-time basis with a full course load in an accredited tourism, hospitality, or aviation (flight training or aircraft maintenance engineer) program; and
4. You plan to return to work in the NWT after the completion of your studies.

Preference will be given to first-time recipients. Students who self-identify as Indigenous in the application cover letter will be considered for the Rio Tinto scholarship, and prioritized for one of the NWT Tourism scholarships. Those who fail to complete training for which a scholarship was previously awarded are ineligible for future awards.

Applicants will be required to consent to NWT Tourism and their partners publishing their name and photo for public communications regarding the NWT Tourism Scholarship Program and 2024 Award.

Applications

Your completed application must include:

- A cover letter identifying the Tourism and Hospitality program in which you're enrolled, your personal and your career goals, your community involvement, and your commitment to return to the NWT to work;
- A copy of your acceptance letter to a post-secondary institution and your most recent school transcripts;
- At least two letters of reference from non-family members;
- Proof of NWT residency (a copy of your health care card, driver's license, or GI card is required);
- Self-identification as Indigenous, if applicable;
- A signed copy of the application form on page 3.

Applications missing the above information will not be considered.

Submit your application by **Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 5:00pm (MT)** via e-mail to brandon@spectacularnwt.com or by fax to the NWT Tourism Scholarship Committee at 867.873.4059.

The successful recipient will be selected from all valid applications in August.

For further information, please contact Brandon Lucier, Office Administrator at the NWT Tourism office 867.873.5007 or brandon@spectacularnwt.com.



NWT Tourism 2024 Scholarship Application Form

Personal Information

First Name		Last Name	
Mailing Address		Permanent Address (if different)	
City / Town	Territory/Province	City / Town	Territory/Province
Phone		Email	
Where and when did you graduate from high school?			

Program of Study

Which post-secondary school will you attend?	Which program are you enrolled in?
What are your career objectives in tourism? (Please expand on this in your cover letter.)	

Please Verify

I have enclosed:

- A cover letter identifying the tourism, hospitality, aviation (flight training or aircraft maintenance engineer) program in which I'm enrolled, my personal and my career goals, my community involvement, and my desire to return to the Northwest Territories to work;
- A copy of my acceptance letter to a post-secondary school and my most recent school transcripts;
- At least two letters of reference from non-family members; and
- My proof of residency (NWT health care card, NWT driver's license, or NWT GI card).

In signing and submitting this application, should I be the successful candidate, I hereby give my consent to NWT Tourism to use my name and photo for communications regarding the NWT Tourism and Rio Tinto Indigenous Student Scholarship Program and 2024 Award.

The information provided in my application and supporting documentation for the NWT Tourism 2024 Scholarship Program is true and complete.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

