

**Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Program**  
**2015-16 Report**  
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In accordance with NDCC section 15-70-05, upon receipt of a completed Tribal College Assistance Grant application, institutions receiving a grant under this chapter are to submit a report to Legislative Council. The North Dakota University System, on behalf of the institutions, compiles this report each year. In order to be considered for payment in a fiscal year, all applications must be received by June 15 and certified by June 22. Payments will be prorated based on the total number of qualified applications received by June 15.

**Background Information and Appropriations**

Funds are awarded to institutions on the basis of FTE enrollment data for non-beneficiary, North Dakota resident students. A non-beneficiary student is defined as a student who is a resident of North Dakota but who is not an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe or the child of an enrolled member. The funds awarded per full time equivalent (FTE) student cannot exceed the reimbursement rate provided through Federal appropriations in accordance with the Tribally Controlled Colleges & Universities Act of 1978 [25 U.S.C. 20] to tribal colleges for Native American students. The 2015-16 federal FTE payment amount is a maximum of \$6,718 according to AIHEC Student Services.

The annual award may not exceed 50% of the available fund per biennium each year. The 2015-17 biennial appropriation from the State of ND to this program is \$500,000. Due to budget adjustments, this amount was reduced by 4.05%. Additionally, the Legislature required that the Student Loan Trust Fund award \$500,000 in the 2015-17 biennium in support of this program. The 2015-17 available funds total \$979,750 after the adjustment, or \$489,875 per year.

**Award Information**

The North Dakota University System received applications from the five North Dakota tribal colleges, Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College, Sitting Bull College, Turtle Mountain Community College, and United Tribes Technical College. The total FTE for the 2015-16 application year is 96.208. This is down slightly from 2014-15, which was 99.010. Based on the available funds, the program is able to award \$5,091.83 per FTE in FY16. The total anticipated payment in 2016 is \$489,875. The individual school funding breakdown is as follows.

<b>Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Program</b>									
<b>Award Distribution Formula</b>									
<b>2015-17 Biennium</b>									
<b>Year 1 (2015-16)</b>									
Available funds: (up to ½ of the biennial appropriation)	1	\$489,875							
Award per FTE: Most recent per student payment provided in accordance with the Tribally Controlled Colleges & Universities Act of 1978 [25 U.S.C. 20]	2	\$6,718	<b>Calculation of Institutional Awards - Year 1</b>						
Total non-beneficiary FTE: (Sum of all non-beneficiary credit hours reported by eligible applicants for 2015-16 ÷ 24)	3	96.208							
Statutory Maximum Award: Product of the Total non-beneficiary FTE X Award per FTE	4	\$646,325.34							
If the statutory maximum award in 4 is less than or equal to the available funds in 1, insert 3 in field 5 and multiply by the individual institutional FTEs to determine institutional awards.			FTE	CCCC	NHSC	SBC	TMCC	UTTC	TOTAL Awards Yr 1
If the maximum award in 4 is greater than the available funds in 1, pro-rate the award per FTE according to the following formula: (available funds) ÷ (total FTE) = (pro-rated FTE award). Insert the calculated pro-rated award in field 5 and multiply by the individual institutional FTE to determine institutional awards.			Award Per FTE	\$63,225.28	\$86,561.15	\$19,516.99	\$100,777.54	\$219,794.04	\$489,875.00
Average ND award per FTE	5	\$5,091.83							

Combined, the five institutions served 123 (headcount) non-beneficiary North Dakota resident students from summer 2015 through spring 2016, taking a total of 2,309 credit hours. Table 1 details the 2015-16 non-beneficiary enrollments by institution. The non-beneficiary headcount reported in the prior year was 125 and total credit hours were 2,376. As noted, FTE fell slightly from 2014-15, which was at 99.01.

<b>Table 1</b>			
<b>AY 2015-16 Non-Beneficiary Enrollment</b>			
<b>Institution</b>	<b>Headcount of Non-beneficiary Students</b>	<b>FTE of Non-beneficiary Students</b>	<b>Number of Non-beneficiary Credit Hours Submitted</b>
<b>Cankdeska Cikana Community College</b>	18	12.417	298
<b>Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College</b>	21	17.000	408
<b>Sitting Bull College</b>	4	3.833	92
<b>Turtle Mountain Community College</b>	29	19.792	475
<b>United Tribes Technical College</b>	51	43.166	1,036
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>96.208</b>	<b>2,309</b>

## Expenditure Report

Applicants are required to report on the expenditure of the prior year award as part of the application for funding for a new award. All institutions submitted reports of their expenditures, which are detailed in Table 2 below. All schools fully expended their grant funds with the exception of United Tribes Technical College and Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College.

United Tribes had a carry-over the past two years, however, the balance has decreased significantly with the current application. While on track to fully utilize all new and carry-over grant funding this year, UTTC experience turn-over in positions for which the grant was being utilized for, thus experiencing a balance at the end of the year. Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College targeted the grant for scholarships for non-beneficiary students. In the upcoming year, they intend to continue to target development of student scholarships and expand student housing options to use the carry-over.

**Table 2**  
**Institutional Expenditures by Expense Category For Academic Year 2014-15 TCAG Award**

Institution	2014-15 TCAG Award Amount	2013-14 TCAG Carry-Over (unspent balance)	Salaries & Wages <sup>2</sup>	Operating Expenses	Equipment	Capital Expenditures	Other (including but not limited to books, supplies, tutors, scholarships, academic support and indirect costs)	Unspent Amount of 2014-15 Award
CCCC	\$46,510.45	-	\$30,012.80	\$5,500.00	-	-	\$10,997.65	\$0.00
NHSC	\$56,610.44	-	-	\$678.52	-	-	\$6,133.08	\$49,798.84
SBC	\$13,281.49	-	\$13,281.49	-	-	-	-	\$0.00
TMCC	\$132,966.37	-	\$79,779.75	\$39,889.90	-	-	\$13,296.72	\$0.00
UTTC	\$250,631.25	\$153,096.43	63,440.11	301,621.57	-	-	-	\$38,666.00
<b>2014-15 Institutional Totals</b>	<b>\$500,000.00</b>	<b>\$153,096.43</b>	<b>\$186,514.15<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>\$347,689.99</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,427.45<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$88,464.84</b>

<sup>1</sup>Expenditures reported as "other" included classroom books, supplies, tutors, scholarships, academic support for student travel, and indirect costs.

<sup>2</sup>A total of 6.25 FTE positions were created.

## Graduation Rate

The five North Dakota tribal colleges reported an average graduation rate of 42.53% for the non-beneficiary students reported for academic year 2012-13 (UTTC graduation rate based on 2009-10 cohort). The IPEDS 2014 reported average graduation rate for tribal colleges across the nation was 22.45%. This average percentage is based on 150% of time to complete a degree at both 2 year and 4 year tribal colleges.

<b>Table 4</b> <b>Graduation and Transfer Rates for Non-Beneficiary Students</b> <b>Based on 2012-13 Reported Students (CCCC, NHSC, SBC, TMCC)</b> <b>Based on 2009-10 Reported Students (UTTC)</b>				
<b>Institution</b>	<b>Cohort Size</b>	<b>Graduation Rate<sup>1</sup></b> <b>(# of students)</b>	<b>Transfer Rate</b> <b>(# of students)</b>	<b>Continuing Students</b>
<b>Cankdeska Cikana Community College</b>	13	38.46% (5)	0.00% (0)	7.69% (1)
<b>Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College</b>	17	17.65% (3)	5.88% (1)	11.76% (2)
<b>Sitting Bull College</b>	5	80.00% (4)	0.00% (0)	0.00% (0)
<b>Turtle Mountain Community College</b>	29	41.38% (12)	17.24% (5)	10.34% (3)
<b>United Tribes Technical College</b>	74	35.14% (26)	4.05% (3)	0.00% (0)
<sup>1</sup> Graduation rate based on 150% of time to complete a degree for both 2 and 4 year colleges. UTTC is based on a 4-year cohort while all other ND tribal colleges are 2-year.				

## Financial Ratio

Institutions applying for funds under this program are required to report on the ratio of funding received under this program as compared to overall expenditures. The IPEDS reported “core expenditures” are used in determining the financial ratio. Core expenses include expenses for instruction, research, public service, academic support, institutional support, student services, operation and maintenance expenditures of plant, depreciation, scholarships and fellowships expenses, other expenses, and non-operating expenses. For comparison, the prior year’s ratios are also represented below in Table 5.

<b>Institution</b>	<b>2015 Ratio</b>	<b>2016 Ratio</b>
<b>Cankdeska Cikana Community College</b>	0.48%	0.42%
<b>Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College</b>	0.67%	0.84%
<b>Sitting Bull College</b>	0.45%	0.76%
<b>Turtle Mountain Community College</b>	0.74%	0.84%
<b>United Tribes Technical College</b>	0.93%	0.69%

## Audit Reports

All institutions are required to provide their most current audited financial statement. All audited statements were received. As of the date of this report, United Tribes Technical College and Nueta Hidatsa Sahanish College were still in the process of completing their 2015 audits. Therefore, the most current available is 2014.