

Udall Scholarship

ENVIRONMENT, NATIVE AMERICAN HEALTH CARE OR TRIBAL POLICY

- **Disciplines:** Environmental, or Native American Health Care or Tribal Policy
- **Purpose:** 1-2 years of undergraduate study
- **Open to:** Sophomores & Juniors
- **Eligibility:** US Citizen or permanent resident
- **Campus Deadline:** January 5
- **Website:** <http://udall.gov/OurPrograms/Scholarship/Scholarship.aspx>

General Information

Scholarships are offered in any of three categories:

- To students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to the **environment** including policy, engineering, science, education, urban planning and renewal, business, health, justice, economics, and other related fields; **or**
- To Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to **tribal public policy**, including fields related to tribal sovereignty, tribal governance, tribal law, Native American education, Native American justice, natural resource management, cultural preservation and revitalization, Native American economic development, and other areas affecting Native American communities; **or**
- To Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to **Native health care**, including health care administration, social work, medicine, dentistry, counseling, and research into health conditions affecting Native American communities, and other related fields.

Scholar Profile

Udall Scholars are a diverse group of students who are united by their interest in our nation's heritage: natural resource protection, conservation, and Native American policy, health, and governance.

Application Information

The Foundation expects to award 50 scholarships of up to \$7000 and 50 honorable mentions. To be eligible, students must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be committed to a career related to the environment, OR committed to a career in tribal public policy OR Native American health care.
- Be a matriculated sophomore or junior-level student at a two-year or four-year accredited institution of higher education, pursuing a bachelor's or associate's degree.
- Have a college GPA of at least a "B" or the equivalent and be pursuing full-time study during your sophomore/junior year.
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or U.S. permanent resident.

Grades are less important than community service and leadership records, but they are still significant. Nominees should generally be in the top quarter of their class and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Leadership is an important quality in a Udall Scholar. The selection committee looks for applicants who:

- Bring people together by inspiring & motivating others to act, or by mediating opposing groups to obtain consensus
- Identify problems or needs and propose and implement solutions;
- Take initiative by looking for and creating opportunities.
- Are likely to have a significant impact in their chosen career field.

Commitment is demonstrated through substantial contributions to and participation in one or more of the following: campus activities, research, tribal involvement, community or public service.

***Nominees in the categories of tribal public policy OR Native American health care must be Native American or Alaska Native.**

To begin the application process and/or meet with an adviser contact:

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