Pathway Support for Indigenous Students to Pursue Medicine

GUIDELINES

Number and Value of Support: The number and value of support will be determined by the Support Committee each year based upon the number of qualified applicants. The value of the support will be at the discretion of the Support Committee up to a maximum of $3500 per year per applicant. Unallocated support monies in one year may be carried forward for a period of one year. A written request for use of unallocated monies itemizing the use of those funds should be made to the Dean for consideration.

Eligibility Criteria: The earliest the support may be applied for is following completion of the first year of university studies (minimum 24 credit units) towards a Baccalaureate degree in a bona fide four-year baccalaureate degree program OR are enrolled in a full-time graduate program at an accredited Saskatchewan degree granting institution. Applicants will be eligible to apply to have their support renewed for two additional years if they have successfully completed courses towards their degree (at least 24 credit units per year) and maintained a minimum cumulative average of 80% in the previous academic year.

Support recipients are required to meet with the Admissions Office and the Senior Lead, Indigenous Initiatives and Programming from the College of Medicine each academic term during the year the support is received and to provide documentation as per requested in the support application to the Support Committee.

Selection Criteria: Selection will be based on a combination of academic achievement, engagement in their Indigenous community and other criteria as outlined in the Guidelines. Applicants must possess a strong academic standing; this is considered to be a minimum of 24 credit units in the preceding academic year (September-April) with a minimum cumulative average of 80%. First-time Pathways Support applicants will be required to write a biographical essay in which they describe their desire to pursue a career in Medicine, explain why they think the College of Medicine has an Indigenous Admissions Pathway to Medicine and describe their
engagement/involvement in their Indigenous Community. Applicants applying for continued Pathways Support (i.e., have already received Pathways Support previously) will be required to submit a reflection essay instead updating the committee. The essay, academic record, and possibly a personal interview, will be considered as selection criteria by the Support Committee.