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CALL FOR STUDENT APPLICATIONS

Research Careers Session



NCAI Mid Year Conference, June 12 – 16, 2022

The NCAI Policy Research Center is opening this Call for Student Applications to provide travel support for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) students interested in research careers to attend the National Congress of American Indians Mid Year Conference in Anchorage, Alaska. The conference theme is *Thinking Beyond Self Determination* and will include sessions that discuss the latest policy issues with Tribal Nations. The conference will also include sessions that highlight research and data for policy.

The NCAI Policy Research Center is requesting applications from college and graduate students ages 21 years and older to attend the conference and a required special research careers session. This required session will feature AI/AN researchers who will discuss their career paths, current research interests, and they will be available for questions from the students in attendance. Interested students should submit applications by the deadline listed below, and the NCAI Policy Research Center will select up to five (5) students based on a formal review of all applications. The final number of students selected to attend will be determined by available funding and not all applications will be accepted.

Application deadline – Friday, April 29, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. EDT

Submit Application materials to research@ncai.org

Application Requirements and Student Support

- 1) AI/AN students are eligible to submit an application if they are currently enrolled in a college or university as an undergraduate or graduate student, and they are 21 years old or older. Students must submit evidence of their enrollment in the 2021 – 2022 school year. High school students are not eligible.
- 2) AI/AN students interested in receiving support to attend the NCAI Mid Year Conference and AI/AN research career session must submit a 1-2 page narrative on why they are interested in a research career, any activities they have completed that demonstrate their interest in research careers, and how attending will help them with their plans to enter a research career.
- 3) AI/AN students who are accepted will receive travel support for each day that they attend the NCAI Mid Year Conference and are required to submit a 1-2 page narrative after the conference on the sessions they attended and how their experience helped them consider or plan for a research career. These narratives will be due Friday, June 24, 2022.
- 4) The AI/AN research career session is at the beginning of the conference and attendance is required to receive travel support, and students that do not attend this session will no longer receive support to attend the rest of the Mid Year Conference, will be required to leave the conference at that time, and will be required to pay back any travel expenses. Accepted students will be required to sign a code of conduct and liability waiver.
- 5) Accepted students will be notified no later than Friday, May 6, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. EDT with instructions on how to register and arrange travel to attend the conference.

View the 2022 NCAI Mid Year Conference agenda [here](#). Questions? Email research@ncai.org.