

2023-2024 MNO PSE Student Support Program - Application Guide

The MNO's Post-Secondary Education (PSE) Student Support Program offers direct financial support to eligible candidates for school related costs. This guide provides steps by step instruction to help applicants navigate their application. **If there are additional questions, or if you encounter any issues, please email: psupport@metisnation.org and our team will be happy to offer you support.**


Eligible candidates must:

1. Be a citizen of the MNO. (For more information on obtaining MNO Citizenship please visit the MNO Registry Webpage or call their toll-free number at 1-855-798-1006.)
2. Be attending, or have been accepted into, an eligible Post-Secondary Education program.
3. Must reside in Canada.

Accessing the Application:

Visit the MNO's "Education & Training" web page here: [Education & Training - Métis Nation of Ontario \(metisnation.org\)](https://metisnation.org/education-training)

Select "Post-Secondary Education" and then "Post-Secondary Education Support Program"



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Post-Secondary Education Support Program

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To access the application, select “Apply Online”

- at a recognized University or College
- Be a MNO Citizen or in the process of applying for citizenship
- Reside in Canada

Apply Online

Post-Secondary Education Support Program

The Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Post-Secondary Education Support Program provides financial support for MNO citizens, or those that can provide a letter from the MNO's registry confirming citizenship, who are enrolled at an post-secondary education institution. Applicants must be attending, or have been accepted into, a post-secondary program at a University, or at a College, to be eligible for consideration of support through this program.

Click here for [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

APPLY

Opens
Feb 2 2021 09:00 AM (EST)

Deadline
Apr 30 2021 11:59 PM (EDT)

Select “Apply”

If you have previously applied to this, or other MNO programs using this application portal, then you will already have log in credentials. If this is your first time accessing an application for MNO programs, then you will have to establish new credentials.

Please make sure to use an email address that belongs to you and that you use and check regularly as this is the primary way we contact applicants.

Eligibility and Applicant Information:

You will be asked to confirm your eligibility for this program.



Throughout the application, you have the opportunity to save your progress as you go. It is recommended that you save after each section.

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Eligibility Form

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REVIEW SUBMIT

Deadline: Apr 30 2021 11:59 PM (EDT)

Eligibility Form

1. Are you a registered citizen of the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)?

Yes
 No

3. Are you currently enrolled at a post-secondary education institution?

Yes
 No

5. Have you applied or are you expecting to receive funding through another MNO program for your studies in the 2021-22 school year? (This does not include funding from a MNO Bursary administered by the financial aid office of the post-secondary institution you attend)

Yes
 No

Eligibility

You will be asked to confirm your eligibility for this program. You will be asked to confirm:

- MNO citizenship
- School enrollment
- Whether you are receiving other MNO funding for the same program.

This information will be later verified. All those who are determined to be ineligible will be referred to other MNO programs where available.

You will also see your progress as you continue through the application here.

Application Progress

In this section you will find your application ID# and track your progress through stage of the application. You also have the opportunity to review your application before selecting "SUBMIT".

Completing the Application:

Applicant Information:

Post Secondary Education Support Program Application Form

Applicant Information

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Name

Test Shane

Date of Birth

Please input your Date of Birth

Day/Month/Year

DD/MM/YYYY

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*Applicant
Information*

Please enter ***the name of the applicant*** (*not a parent's name*) as you wish to be referred to in all communications.

Please enter your birthdate in the format shown.

MNO Citizenship Number

If you are providing a letter from the MNO Registry, please provide the citizenship number on the letter. If there is no number on the letter, type "Letter" in the box below.

Address

Address

Address Line 2

City

Province

Postal Code

MNO Citizenship

You must make sure the number is correctly inputted as shown on your card. This is used to verify your citizenship.



Address

Please provide a permanent home address. Tax documents will be mailed to the address provided so please consider using a permanent family home address instead of a temporary address used only while you are at school.

Email

Please ensure the email address used to create your account is the same email address entered here, and that you regularly check that email account.

Successful applicants will be contacted primarily via email. It is the responsibility of the applicant to regularly check their email for important information regarding your application and any funding (including any spam or junk email folders)

Email

The MNO will use this email, to communicate with the applicant. Please make sure it's your primary email, and that you add MNO staff to your contacts. This will make sure our emails go to your inbox and not your junk folder.

This email address should match the address you used to create your account

Phone

Gender

- Male
- Female
- Non-Binary
- Prefer not to disclose

Preferred language

- English
- French
- Other

Personal Information

Please include your area code and in this format of 123-456-0789

MNO staff may need to phone you, so please make sure this is your primary phone number.

Language

If you are experiencing any barriers completing this application please contact psupport@metisnation.org to make alternative arrangements.

Marital Status

- Single, Never Married
- Married
- Living with Partner
- Separated
- Divorced
- Widowed
- Prefer Not to Answer

Marital Status

Please select the current status if more than one option applies.

Dependents

A dependent child is your and/or your spouse's natural or adoptive child who is living with you at least 50% or more of your study period and is under 18 years of age. Applicants with dependent children living with a disability who require additional supports and who are over 18 years of age should contact psupport@metisnation.org for information on how to proceed.

Do you have dependent children?

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Applicants with dependent children living with a disability who require additional supports and who are over 18 years of age should contact psupport@metisnation.org for information on how to proceed.



Dependent children information

	Name	Age
1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
4	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Dependents Cont'd

List the first and last name of each child, along with their current age. If you require more space, please email psupport@metisnation.org

Employment Status

Employed

Unemployed

Student

Are you currently in receipt of income assistance? (OW/ODSP/EI)

Yes

No

Employment

Select the most appropriate answer. Your responses will have no impact on your funding through this program but will be used to help identify areas of need and future programming.

Are you a person with a disability that might require additional supports?

Yes

No

Clear

If yes, specify type of disability and supports required:

Disability Supports

We ask applicants to self-identify with any disability that they may have.

Please use the space provided to add any information you think pertains to your disability and supports that you may need to continue your education.



Food Security

Are you currently experiencing any food security issues?

Yes

No

Internet

Are you currently experiencing a lack of a stable internet connection?

Yes

No

COVID-19 Supports

The MNO is continuously seeking to improve our programs and services to meet the needs of our clients. These 2 questions will help to inform us of any increased needs in these areas brought on by the COVID-19 emergency.



School & Program Information:

School/Program Information:

Name of Post Secondary Institution	<input type="text"/>
Specify Campus	<input type="text"/>
School Address	<input type="text"/>

School Information

Please provide the name of your school; the campus you will be studying on (if known) and the postal address.

Program name (e.g. BA of History)	<input type="text"/>
Total years of program	<input type="text"/>
Current year of study	<input type="text" value="---"/>
Enrollment Status	<input type="text" value="---"/>

Program Information

Please provide the name of your program as well as the total number of years your program takes to complete. Also, indicate what year of study you will be entering and whether you are a part time or full-time student.

Program start date (current year)	<input type="text"/>
Program end date (current year)	<input type="text"/>

Program Dates

Please indicate the date your program year starts (ex. Sept. 7, 2023) and ends (ex. April 30, 2024)

Level of study	<input type="text" value="---"/>
Anticipated Tuition: Please only include the amount of your tuition and fees for the Full School Year. Estimates are acceptable. Costs such as residence and meal plans should NOT be included:	<input type="text"/>

Program Level & Costs

Please select the degree type that best matches your program and provide the total cost of tuition.

Determining Course Loads:

Semester applying for and status

Award amounts are dependent on course loads. Course loads are determined as a percentage of the maximum course load allowed by your school, and not by whether your school considers you a full time student.

For example, if the maximum course load at your school, and for your program, is 5 courses per semester (100%) and you enroll in 4 classes per semester- you will be assessed as having an 80% course load. Please refer to the course load chart provided with the FAQ's for help or check in with your school for help in determining your course load.

	Semester	Status	% of Course Load
Spring / Summer 2021	Not attending ▼	--- ▼	<input type="text"/> %
Fall 2021	Attending ▼	--- ▼	<input type="text"/> %
Winter 2022	Attending ▼	--- ▼	<input type="text"/> %

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A typical BA has 5 courses per term = 100% course load.

If you have any questions, regarding your course load percentage, please ask your school.

Have you received funding through [this MNO Program](#) before?

*Past Program
Funding*

Please indicate whether or not you have received funding through this program in the past and, when prompted, which years funding was provided.

Please use the space below to share any other information that you feel is important to share about your education? (This could include mention of previous completed PSE programs, explanations for gaps in your schooling, personal stories impacting your schooling, or other important items that you feel are important to share)

*Additional
Information*

Please use this space to share anything that is unique to your situation that you feel is important for the MNO to know. Examples could include explanations about previous schooling, overall educational goals, or personal stories that may have impacted your progression through school.

Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

OSAP Information

It is recommended that each applicant explore what grant amounts, that do not have to be paid back, are available through OSAP. An OSAP estimator is available here:

<https://osap.gov.on.ca/AidEstimator2021Web/enterapp/enter.shtml>

Please strongly consider applying for the grant portion of OSAP, as this will not impact your eligibility for funding through this program or impact what amounts may be available to you through this program.

Most importantly an OSAP grant **could provide additional funding to assist during your school year.**

Please note that the MNO encourages applicants to explore only the OSAP Grant portion and does not provide advice on taking additional loans through OSAP. If OSAP loans are taken by the applicant, these will be the sole responsibility of the applicant

- I will look into OSAP
- Not interested in OSAP

OSAP

OSAP **grants** can be a useful addition to PSE funding. We recommend that you explore what could be available to you as a grant by using the OSAP calculator. **This is not a requirement of this program nor does accepting OSAP impact funding available through this program.** Most importantly an OSAP **grant could provide additional funding to assist during your school year.**

Sponsorships:

Sponsorship

Tuition can be sponsored by the MNO. This means that the MNO will pay all or a portion of tuition and ancillary fees directly to your school on your behalf.

Sponsored clients will not receive any additional funding compared to clients opting to receive funds directly.

Sponsorship is only for available to applicants who:

1. Will be studying in Canada
2. Will NOT be applying for funding from the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

Do you want your program tuition to be sponsored?

- Yes
- No

Confirming Sponsorship

If you select “yes” to this question, you will be contacted by a Student Support Officer for additional information.

Sponsorships

Applicants can select to be “Sponsored”. This means that the MNO will issue payment directly to your school for your tuition and related expenses, upon receipt of an invoice from your school. A letter will be sent to your school outlining this relationship and the maximum amount of the sponsorship. This letter will be provided to you as well.

Funding amounts are not impacted by sponsorships.

There are eligibility criteria for sponsorships.

PSE Tutoring:

Tutoring

Would you be interested in post secondary tutoring education services if available?

Yes

No

Tutoring

Funding through this program can be used for all school related expenses- including tutoring- regardless of the answer provided for this question.

We recognize that additional services may be required to offset the challenges presented by remote learning. This question seeks to understand what the emerging need may be for tutoring services during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Finishing the Application Form:


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Finishing the Application

When you have completed this section of the application to your satisfaction, please make sure to select "Mark as Complete" to advance to the next section.

Consent and Confidentiality:

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Confidentiality and Consent Form

This information may be collected under the authority of the Government of Canada and/or the Indigenous Employment and Training Strategy. Information collected is used to determine program eligibility, to conduct program evaluation and to fulfill contractual obligations with Canada, and will be shared with Canada. The Métis Nation of Ontario may disclose such information where we are legally authorized to do so.

The Métis Nation of Ontario may collect information as necessary throughout the client case management process from other Service Providers that are pertinent to client case management, and may share contact information with other branches of the Métis Nation of Ontario in order to aid in the completion of this application process and to facilitate access to other available supports. All information collected will be kept strictly confidential and will be protected. Information, when provided to Canada, is protected under Canada's Privacy Act. Under the Privacy Act you have a right to access that information. To access information held in your personal file by the Métis Nation of Ontario please contact Métis Nation of Ontario's Student Support Officer.

I, the undersigned, have read and understand the form. I acknowledge that the information provided by me is true and accurate. I do hereby consent to the disclosure and/or use of my personal information by Métis Nation of Ontario and Canada.

Signature



Confidentiality & Consent

MNO will collect personal data and may share your information with your school, our funder, or within the MNO to facilitate this funding or, in part, to facilitate access to other available supports.

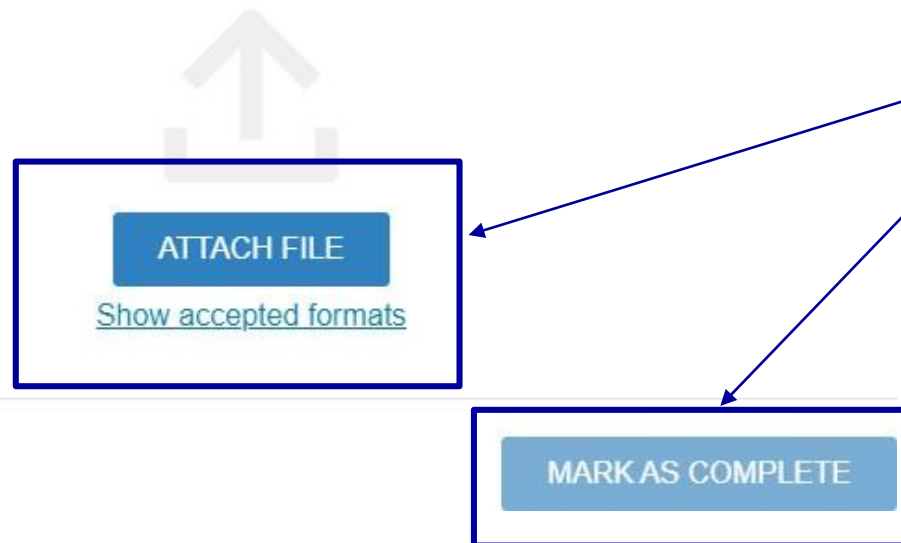
All information collected will be kept strictly confidential and will be protected.

Failing to provide consent will prevent your application from progressing to the next phase of the application process.

Uploading Documents:

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Please upload a copy of your citizenship card or a letter from the MNO registry verifying your application for citizenship



Uploading Documents

Throughout the application process, you will be asked to provide copies of various personal documents, including, but not limited to, proof of MNO citizenship, children's birth certificate, program information, signed contracts and banking information.

To upload these required documents, please select "Attach File" and choose the file you wish to upload from your computer. **Files in PDF format are preferred.**

Once you have uploaded your documents please select "Mark as Complete" to save your upload.

Other MNO Programs and Services

Other MNO Programs and Services (optional)

Please indicate by checking the boxes, if you would like to be contacted by any of the following MNO programs/services.

*Please note that by checking the boxes below you are giving consent for your name and contact information to be released for someone to contact you about the programs.

- Metis Healthy Babies, Healthy Children
- Mental Health and Addictions
- Metis Family Well-being Program
- Community Support Services
- Community Wellness Worker
- Gaming and Gambling Prevention
- Victims Services
- MNO Diabetes Education Project
- Employment Supports
- Infinite Reach Student Solidarity Network
- Housing and Homelessness Programs and Services
- Aging at Home
- Restorative Justice Program

Other MNO Programs & Services

The MNO has a host of other programs and services available to help support Métis people. Please select all of the programs that you may be interested in accessing or learning more about.

When reviewing your application, the PSE team will refer each applicant to a representative of the selected programs.

Contact

Please send any questions to
psupport@metisnation.org