MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION DOCTORAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

Doctoral Degree Program

Applicants! Please note that applications will be reviewed for eligibility after the deadline. Information and documents will take 6 to 8 weeks post-deadline for notification. Students are urged to continue researching and applying for multiple sources of financial aid as our awards are supplemental awards.

ATTENTION DOCTORAL PROGRAM STUDENTS The award amounts for the Doctoral Grants are up to \$14,000 per year or \$7,000 per semester.

Doctoral Grant Program application criteria and requirements remain intact. Please continue to plan your financial aid according to your program and school. If you have any questions, please contact Doctoral Grant Program Coordinator Christine Durden: CDurden@muscogeenation.com (email); 918-732-7690 (phone).

NOTE: All official transcripts are required, including official transcripts that indicate Bachelor's degree is earned. Students who pursue a doctoral degree CANNOT go back to the Master's Program. NEW STUDENTS ONLY: Applications dates and required materials are due to the office by the following dates: *Fall Semester Application Dates March 1st-August 1st Spring Semester Application Dates November 1st- December 15th*

The following items are required for new student applications:

- Completed application
- Copy of tribal enrollment card
- Education program degree plan/plan of study
- Copy of transcript showing most recent degree earned
- Letter of acceptance into doctoral program from an accredited college/university

CURRENT DOCTORATE STUDENTS must meet the following requirements to maintain good-standing:

- Submit an official transcript at the end of each semester
- Submit a class schedule for each term
- Must remain in good standing with college/university

Award Amounts:

After eligibility is determined, awards will be completed upon review of the needs analysis that is finalized by the university. The awards will be sent directly to the school to use towards tuition, books, and fees as determined through the needs analysis.

Summer Session Funding

• Summer funding depends on the availability of funds

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- Student must be receiving the degree that summer semester or the following semester
- To be eligible for summer funding students must submit a letter from their academic school advisor of the graduation date and class schedule of summer enrollment.

Program Suspension:

Students that have been funded for the Doctoral Degree Program are required to maintain the hours for which they were funded and maintain good standing with the college/university. If the student withdraws from the funded hours or fails to maintain good standing with the college/university, the student can be suspended from the program. During suspension, the student will not be eligible for funding for at least one semester OR until program requirements are met.

All Doctoral Students Please Contact:

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