



# Sysco Leadership Scholarship for Indigenous Students

## Purpose:

Sysco is the global leader in selling, marketing and distributing food and related products to customers who prepare meals away from home. This includes restaurants, healthcare and educational facilities, lodging establishments, entertainment venues, and more. Sysco operates 339 distribution centers, in 10 countries, with 75,000 colleagues serving approximately 730,000 customer locations. As the world's largest food-away-from-home distributor, Sysco offers customized supply chain solutions, bespoke specialty product offerings, and culinary support to drive customers to innovate and optimize their operations. Sysco's reputation is built upon the highest ethical standards of business conduct and fair dealing. We are committed to providing sustainably focused products, caring for people and our communities, and protecting our planet.

## Eligibility:

Awarded to a full-time Indigenous student from BC enrolled in the Professional Cook Level 1 or 2 programs at the Merritt campus, who achieves a 2.67 (B-) grade point average and demonstrates leadership skills at NVIT and in their community.

## Amount:

Each year, Sysco Canada will donate (1) one scholarship worth \$1500 to be disbursed at the annual year-end NVIT graduation ceremony. Students must be in good academic standing and can only win the award once per year.

## Process:

Students must complete the following application checklist:

- Complete and sign the application form
- Provide proof of ancestry (Copy of Status, Metis, or Inuit card or letter from Indigenous organization verifying ancestry)
- Provide an official transcript that displays the grade point average
- Write a 300-500 word, double-spaced, typed-written essay:
  - Include a title page listing the name of the award, the deadline date to submit the award, and the title, "My Leadership Skills".
  - Describe how you have demonstrated leadership both inside the classroom (through academics, group work, or student involvement) and outside the classroom (such as in your community, workplace, or family).
  - Provide examples that show how your leadership has made a positive impact.

## Deadline:

**The NVIT Registration Office must receive applications by 4:30pm on March 31, 2026. If March 31<sup>st</sup> lands on a weekend, the application will be due the last business day before the deadline. Please email a copy to [awards@nvit.ca](mailto:awards@nvit.ca) or drop off the original copy at the front desk of either campus; faxes and/or photocopies will not be accepted. Reference letters must also be submitted through email to [awards@nvit.ca](mailto:awards@nvit.ca).**

Students may appeal the award decision by submitting a written letter to the awards adjudication committee attention:

Sysco Canada Leadership Scholarship for Indigenous Students  
c/o Registration Office  
4155 Belshaw Street  
Merritt, BC V1K 1R1  
[awards@nvit.ca](mailto:awards@nvit.ca)



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## PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you Indigenous, Metis, or Inuit?  Yes OR  No

Have you lived in BC consecutively for the last 12 months?  Yes OR  No

## PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Student #: \_\_\_\_\_

What Culinary ARTS: Professional Cook Program are you enrolled in?

Level 1

OR

Level 2

What campus do you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

### Checklist:

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### Applicant's Declaration:

I hereby declare the information on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I acknowledge the information will be used to determine my eligibility for awards administered by NVIT and NVIT reserves the right to verify information on my application. If any of the information provided in this application should change, I understand it is my responsibility to advise the Registrar's Office, in writing, of any such changes. Should I be awarded a scholarship, I agree my name may be released to scholarship donors, my secondary school or college, and may appear in a published list of award winners.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: (yyyy/mm/dd)