



2020_21 Verna J. Kirkness (Ni-jing-jada) Award Cover Sheet

Student's family name	Student's given name	Student Number
Student's Department/Centre	Degree:	Year of Current Degree:
Student's email	Student's phone	Student's address
Supervisor's family name	Supervisor's given name	Supervisor's Department

2020-21 Verna J. Kirkness (Ni-jing-jada) Award (#01969)

AWARD CRITERIA:

Awards totaling \$3,400 have been endowed by friends, colleagues and the UBC in honour of Dr. Verna J. Kirkness (Ni-jing-jada), the founding director of the First Nations House of Learning and the Ts"kel Graduate Studies Program. The awards are offered to students of Aboriginal ancestry in Education, preference will be given to Canadian Aboriginal graduate students. Preference is also given to students involved in academic projects or research that will advance the cause of Canadian Aboriginal Education. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Education in consultation with the First Nations House of Learning and, in the case of graduate students, the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The award will be given in recognition of a student based on: (1) the quality of his or her academic achievement and scholarship in the field of Canadian Aboriginal education; and (2) the degree to which that scholarly work has informed or has the potential to have a positive impact on improving Canadian Aboriginal education.

ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for the Verna J. Kirkness (Ni-jing-jada) award, applicants must be of Aboriginal ancestry and enrolled in the Faculty of Education at UBCV;
2. To be eligible for any UBC-administered awards (scholarships and prizes), applicants must be full-time undergraduate and graduate students. Magistral students on the part-time fee payment schedule (Schedule B) are not eligible to apply. To be eligible, Magistral students must be on the full-time fee payment schedule (Schedule A). All Doctoral students are on a full-time fee payment schedule. Students on Leave are not eligible to apply.
3. To be eligible for this UBC-administered prize, students must have been officially registered in the 2015 Winter Term in the Faculty of Education at UBCV.
4. To be eligible for this UBC-administered prize, students must also be officially registered in the 2020 Winter Term at UBCV

Checklist – this application includes:

- This completed Award Cover Sheet
- A 250-word (maximum) student statement *explaining how you meet the award criteria*
- A sealed reference letter from an Education faculty member *addressing how you meet the award criteria*
- The completed graduate student CV (see examples <https://students.ubc.ca/career/career-resources/resumes-cover-letters-curricula-vitae>)

Signatures

Referee or Supervisor (print)	Signature	Date
Department Head (print)	Signature	Date