Program Description
The American Indian College Fund Ambassador Program is established to create a mutually-supportive relationship between the College Fund and selected scholarship recipients to serve as ambassadors and enhance professional skills. Program elements are designed to strengthen personal and professional voice and skills through active representation and reflection of the mission of the College Fund.

The program, as a form of practicum, aims to create knowledgeable College Fund community representatives to aid in peer-to-peer resource sharing and support for scholarships and other College Fund initiatives both on- and off-Tribal College and University campuses. This program also aims to provide a pool of speakers and/or participants for College Fund educational and fundraising events across the country. It is a further intent that the training and representation of the College Fund at on- and off-campus events expands access to personal, professional, and academic opportunities.

Program Components

1. Time Period: Minimum of one year

2. In-Person Training: 4-day orientation and skill building opening session (includes travel time and may be extended in unique travel circumstances)

3. Virtual Trainings: Monthly sessions (webinars, interactive course work, etc.)
   Sample Topics: Presentation Skills, Power of Storytelling

4. Individual/Peer Coaching Sessions:
   Sessions in which American Indian College Fund staff work with students to develop the stories and skills to improve the participation in fundraising and recruitment events. Peer Coaching sessions allow students to share experiences to improve performance and participation.

Student Eligibility Requirements

- Member of a state or federally recognized Tribe or a descendent of a member
- Have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher (if currently enrolled)
- Current or past recipient of an American Indian College Fund scholarship
- Leader or engaged student in their home or university community
- Provide required reference from staff or faculty
- Current enrolled student or alumnus/alumna of a Tribal College or University (preferred but not mandatory; mainstream students are eligible)
2017-2018 Student Ambassador Program Application

If you would like to be an ambassador and can make at least a year commitment to the program, please complete the following application and return to kmitchell@collegefund.org no later than midnight MST on Friday, April 14th, 2017.

First Name ___________________________ Last Name ___________________________

Cell phone ___________________________ Home phone ___________________________

Email address ___________________________

College attending/attended ___________________________

Current Mailing Address ___________________________

City ___________________________ State _________ Zip ______

Which is the best way to communicate with you?  Phone    Email

If you selected phone, when is the best time to reach you?

Have you received a College Fund Scholarship (TCU/Full Circle)?  Y     N

Are you willing and able to travel and speak as a representative for the College Fund if necessary?  Y     N

Are you able to fulfill the program requirements listed above, including necessary organizing and preparation?  Y     N

Are you available to travel to Denver, CO, for in-person training mid-September?  Y     N

Are you first generation student?  Y     N

Marital Status:  Single  Married/Domestic Partnership  Separated  Divorced  Widowed

Number of Dependents (under the age of 18) ____

Degree Program _______________________(AA, AAS, BA, BS, MA, MS, Other)

  Semester/year Started College _____________  Expected Graduation Date (MM/YY) _______

Most Recent Cumulative GPA ______

declared Major ____________________________
List all extracurricular activities and/or volunteer work in which you have been involved with for the past 5 years (church, school, or community):

List all honors and other distinctions you have received:

Please answer the following questions:

1) If selected, how many hours per month are you willing and able to dedicate to the College Fund Ambassador responsibilities? (Up to 10) *Please be realistic.*

2) What challenges, logistical or academically, do you foresee in agreeing to participate in this program?

3) Please briefly describe your challenges and successes in your educational journey (300 words maximum):

4) As applicable: How has your experience at a Tribal College or University impacted your education journey? (100 words maximum):

5) How has your American Indian College Fund Scholarship impacted your personal and academic life? (300 words maximum):

6) What are your educational and career goals? (300 words maximum)

7) What impact do you see making on your campus and/or community by participating in this program? (300 words maximum)

8) Please explain how you will benefit (short-term or long-term; professionally, personally, and/or academically) from the opportunities presented through the College Fund Student Ambassador Program (300 words maximum):
Faculty/Staff Reference Contact:

1. Name: _____________________________________________________________
   Contact phone: ______________________ Email: __________________________
   Title: __________________________________________________________________
   College Name: __________________________________________________________________

2. Name: _____________________________________________________________
   Contact phone: ______________________ Email: __________________________
   Title: __________________________________________________________________
   College Name: __________________________________________________________________

By signing this application I agree that I am able and willing to commit to the College Fund Student Ambassador Program for at least one year. Additionally, by signing this application I understand that all information shared and created through this program may be used by the College Fund in their marketing, advertising, and outreach materials, without compensation.

Signature ________________________________ Date ____________________

Deadline to submit: April 14th, 2017

Please submit application and refer questions to:
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