The HATCH Scholarship for Aboriginal Students
(Scholarship) – (Entrance)

Established in 2012 by HATCH. To be awarded to an Aboriginal (status or non-status First Nations, Métis, or Inuit) student enrolled at McMaster University in any undergraduate program. Preference is to be given to a student enrolled in the Faculty of Engineering. These awards are renewable for three years at the same value provided the students remain enrolled in 24 units or more, and achieves a Grade Point Average of 8.0 with no failures.

Value: $32,000 ($8,000 each year) (20276) (Category A – Awards for Entering Students)

Eligibility
- Students must have a final admission average of 80% or greater to a level 1 program. Understanding Aboriginal students often take different paths to McMaster University, students with post-secondary experience will be considered. Information will be confirmed with the Office of the Registrar, Admissions, at McMaster University
- Students must enroll, and remain enrolled, in 24 units or greater in September

Required documentation
- A copy or original high school transcript
- A copy of the front and back of your status card or proof of aboriginal ancestry
- An academic letter of reference from a high school teacher
- A personal letter of reference from a community leader or person who can comment on your behalf. The person cannot be related to you

For information on award categories, terms and conditions please visit [http://sfas.mcmaster.ca/scholarshipinfo.html](http://sfas.mcmaster.ca/scholarshipinfo.html)

Instructions
- Print single sided and use paperclips
- All documents must be labelled with your name an student number
- Incomplete and/or late packages will not be reviewed

My signature below confirms that I am an Aboriginal student (status or non-status First Nations, Métis, or Inuit)

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and McMaster University's Statement on the Collection of Personal Information and the Protection of Privacy, where notice is given, the University is permitted to publish an individual’s name, Academic Group, plan, and award information. McMaster University publishes the names of recipients of scholarships listed in the Calendar, in the University's Convocation program and other award publications. Further information can be found in the General Academic Regulations section of the Calendar.
INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete and sign the application page. Attach a typed document with responses to the questions below. Your response should be a maximum of 1,000 words. Use 1 inch margins, and 11pt font. Your full name must be included on the top of every page. (HINT: Using a header in your document is an easy way to ensure your name appears on the top of each page.)

Paragraph 1: Where do you come from? (For example: where were you born, where did you grow up, and who is your community?)

Paragraph 2: What is your knowledge of your Indigenous affiliation?

Paragraph 3: Describe how you participate in the Indigenous community; past/present and/or future?

Paragraph 4: What is your knowledge of a First Nations, Inuit, or Métis language? For example, can you speak, read or write it?

Paragraph 5: Why did you choose your current field of study?

Paragraph 6: How does your field of study benefit the Indigenous community and/or people?

Paragraph 7: How do you intend to contribute to the Indigenous community when you complete your post-secondary studies?

Paragraph 8: What skills and knowledge do you have that help you remain committed to your studies?

Paragraph 9: Are there any special circumstances of which the selection committee should be aware?