



YELLOWHEAD TRIBAL COLLEGE

APPLICATION PACKAGE

INDIGENOUS SOCIAL WORK DIPLOMA PROGRAM (ISWD)

www.ytced.ab.ca

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process is detailed and will require the commitment of a significant amount of your personal time and effort. The completion of each of the components of this admission package is integral to ensuring that your application will be processed in an effective manner. The documents listed below must be submitted to Yellowhead Tribal College by June 1, 2021. Applicants are also encouraged to submit the necessary documents to meet the funding deadlines set by their sponsors.

If you have any questions about the application procedure, please contact:

- socialwork@ytced.ca
- Applicants are required to be ready to engage in a full-time program with additional time to engage in study and completion of assignments.

- The ISWD requires both academic readiness as well as personal readiness to engage in strengthening learning of Indigenous ways of knowing, personal decolonization, and professional development.

Required Documents:

- Official High School Transcripts (unofficial transcripts can be uploaded in the YTC application portal with official transcripts to follow to: registrar@ytced.ca and socialwork@ytced.ca)
- Official Post-Secondary Transcripts, if applicable (unofficial transcripts can be uploaded in the YTC application portal with official transcripts to follow to: registrar@ytced.ca and socialwork@ytced.ca)
- Confirmation of English 30-1 or equivalent course and final mark of at least 65%. Applicants without English 30-1 are invited to apply but must complete the equivalent of English 30-1 prior to May 21, 2021
- Verification of 100 hours of volunteer or work experience in a human service setting within the previous six years
- Current Resume
- Personal Statement/ Full Application with items identified on Program Application Checklist
- Two letters of reference. The first one should be from a supervisor for volunteer or work experience. The second reference should be from community, education, or employment. The reference forms get sent directly to registrar@ytced.ca socialwork@ytced.ca and should have ISWD first name, last name of applicant in the email:
- Applicants identified to move onto next steps in the application process will be invited to do an academic readiness assessment and those shortlisted will be invited for a virtual/ in person interview depending on their location.
- Complete the College application and upload your application to: <https://ytced.ab.ca/admissions/how-apply/>

PROGRAM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please initial each item.

- Ordered my official high school transcripts (Transcripts must be sent from Institution to Institution) —
- Ordered my official post-secondary education transcripts from all post-secondary institutions that I have attended in the past (Transcripts must be sent directly from Institution to Institution) —

- Attached verification of 100 hours of volunteer and or work experience within a human service setting in the previous four years
- Attached a copy of my current resume —
- Attached a completed copy of my personal statement —
- Attached a current Criminal Record Check/Child Intervention Check —
- Two references —
- Completed the YTC College application process on-line

Possession of an unclear criminal record or positive does not restrict applicants from admission to the program. You may be required to provide additional information upon request. —

Signature: _____ Date: ___

Applicants Information:

Surname: _____ First Name: ___

Middle Name(s): _____ Date of Birth: ___

How do you identify as Indigenous:

Treaty Number: _____

Band / Indigenous Nation: _____

Metis: _____

Other: _____

Contact Information:

Street/Box Number: _____
City/Town: _____ Province: _____
Postal Code: _____ Email: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Name of Alternate Contact Person: _____ Phone Number of Alternate Contact: _____

Academic History:

Secondary Programs:

Last High School Attended: _____
From (Year): _____ To (Year): _____
Highest Grade: _____

Post-Secondary Academic History:

Name of College or University Attended: _____
From (Year): _____ To (Year): _____
Degrees / Diplomas / Certificates Granted: _____

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From (Year): _____ To (Year): _____
Degrees / Diplomas / Certificates Granted: _____

Other Training _____

Please note:

All parts of this application package must be received by:

June 30

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Personal Statement

By completing your Personal Statement you will be provided with an opportunity to explore and describe how your prior life experiences have encouraged you to consider embarking upon an educational journey which is founded upon Indigenous Knowledge systems.

Please answer each of the following questions in paragraph format: (double spaced word-processed responses are required).

- 1. Please describe your reasons for pursuing a career in social work.**

- 2. Please describe your reasons for wishing to complete your social work education within a program that possesses an Indigenous cultural foundation.**

- 3. Please identify and describe those skills and experiences that you believe indicate your personal suitability to the field of social work.**

4. Leading a healthy lifestyle is an essential requirement for successfully participating in a social work education program that is founded upon Indigenous values, knowledge and philosophy. Please describe your plans for ensuring that the following elements of your life will be addressed in a healthy manner throughout the duration of your social work diploma program studies.

- **Potential life challenges**

- **Family and community commitments**

- **Spiritual needs**

- **Academic responsibilities**

- **Financial considerations**

- **We understand that committing to school will be a financial hardship and ask that you identify any potential financial barriers.**

5. In one to two paragraphs please describe your knowledge of Indigenous worldview and social issues that currently face Indigenous peoples in Canada.

REFERENCES

Reference Form email the completed form to registrar@ytced.ca and socialwork@ytced.ca at Yellowhead Tribal College by **June 30**. The reference forms get sent directly to and should have ISWD first name, last name of applicant in the email.

The first reference letter should be from a supervisor for volunteer or work experience. The second reference letter should be obtained from the community, education, or employment.

* The email sender must ensure the subject line of the email states the following information:

Social Work Program Application: ISWD References for FirstName LastName

*Both reference forms are available via YTC website for you to send to your References.

First Reference (From a Volunteer or Work Experience Organization)

Reference name: _____ —

Organization: _____ —

Position: _____ —

Telephone: _____ —

Email: _____ —

Second Reference (Community/Education/Employment)

Reference name: _____ -

Organization: _____ -

Position: _____ -

Telephone: _____ -

Email: _____ -