

NIITSITAPI POD ENTRANCE STIPEND

for Blackfoot students starting a BSc or MSc in a
Computer Science at the University of Lethbridge

\$3000

3 AVAILABLE

**Undergraduate or
Graduate degree**

The Niitsitapi Research Pod is awarding a **\$3000 entrance stipend** to **three eligible Blackfoot students** to support your studies!

Application eligibility:

- You are a member of a Blackfoot nation*
- You plan to apply to a BSc – Computer Science program at the University Lethbridge**
- You plan to be registered as a full-time student (three 3-credit courses each term)
- You are willing to participate in Niitsitapi Pod events

Conditions of funding:

Successful applicants will become part of the Niitsitapi research Pod at the UofL — and will be required to attend 1 of our events per month over the course of your first year. Receipt of the stipend is contingent on enrollment in the BSc Program at the University of Lethbridge. Students who are not accepted into the BSc program are no longer eligible. Proof of enrollment must be provided with the 'Verification of Enrolment' letter.

The stipend will be paid in two parts:

→ \$1500 at the start of the Fall 2025 term

→ \$1500 at the start of the Winter 2026 term

To apply, send us:

1. A **short personal statement** (300–500 words) about your interest in computer science and what you hope to achieve.
2. Your **high school or academic transcript** (can be unofficial)

Deadline: June 30th, 2025

Submit to: <https://forms.gle/JbHJXMMjit1ybczU8>

Recipients will be selected by a committee based on expression of interest and potential.

Have questions or need help applying?

Contact Christine Clark, Associate Professor, christine.clark@uleth.ca

We're excited to welcome the next generation of Niitsitapi students into the Computer Science program — we hope to hear from you soon!

* Students must be from the Blackfoot Confederacy: Siksika, Piikani (North and South Peigan) and Kainai (Blood).

** Computer Science programs include: B.Sc. (Computer Science), Post-Diploma B.Sc. (Computer Science), B.Sc. (Computer Science and GIS), B.B.A. (Computer Science), B.Sc./B.B.A. (with Computer Science as either major), B.F.A. – New Media/B.Sc. (Computer Science), M.Sc. (Computer Science), M.Sc. (Computer Science and GIS)