

American Indian Higher Education Consortium Conference

March 24-27, 2012 ~ Rapid City, South Dakota

Mr. and Ms. AIHEC 2012

Overview and Guidelines

The Mr. and Ms. AIHEC competition is set-up to recognize outstanding tribal college students who will serve as ambassadors for 2012-2013. Those selected will be asked to share the tribal college story and their own personal experiences with others at meetings, conferences, pow wows and other community gatherings. The two selected for this prestigious honor will also be awarded a trip to one national gathering during the year of their term.

CRITERIA

1. Scholarship-students' academic records as well as their pursuit of research; advanced studies and intellectual development will be given consideration by the judging panel.
2. Culture-candidates' cultural experiences and involvement within their college and community will be a factor in judging.
3. Personal Vision-future goals and personal expectations will be given close review by the judging panel.
4. Community Service-nominees service to their college as well as to the community will be a part of the overall evaluation.
5. AIHEC Awareness-candidates understanding and knowledge of AIHEC and the entire tribal college movement, history and future development will be given consideration in the judging.
6. Presentation-nominees' speaking ability and overall personal presentation will be a part of the judging process.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Those applying for Mr. and/or Ms. AIHEC must submit a copy of their academic transcript, two letters of support, a resume, and a personal statement. The personal statement should tell about the person's past, what they are currently doing, and what they plan to do in the future. The application is due Friday, February 17, 2012.

ELIGIBILITY

Students must be enrolled with at least 6 credits, be in good academic standing and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Tribal Colleges can submit as many nominees as they wish. The review committee will then look at the applications and decided whom they wish to interview at the conference.

PROCESS

1. Students will be notified by **Wednesday, February 29, 2012** if they have been selected as a finalist.
2. All finalists must be in attendance at the AIHEC Conference.
3. Finalists will be interviewed at the AIHEC Conference.
4. The new Mr. and Ms. AIHEC will be announced during the conference.

APPLICATION

All application materials should be submitted to Jonnie Clifford at Oglala Lakota College. The packet must be postmarked by **Friday, February 17, 2012** or electronically submitted to: jclifford@olc.edu by close of the business day on **Friday, February 17, 2012**.

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Registration Form

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Tribal College: _____ Cum GPA _____

Area of study: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Checklist of required materials:

_____ Registration Form

_____ Two letters of support

_____ Official Academic Transcript

_____ Resume

_____ Personal statement

For questions: Call Jonnie Clifford (605) 455-6047
jclifford@olc.edu

Registration must be received by February 17, 2012

Mail or Email to:

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