



Native Youth in Food and Agriculture

Summer Leadership Summit

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July 16-25, 2017
Fayetteville AR



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Application Instructions

Thank you for your interest in attending the 2017 Native Youth in Agriculture Summer Summit! The review committee looks forward to receiving your application and learning more about your interest in food and agriculture. The Student Application is for all fellows attending the Summit, and is open to students from ages fifteen to eighteen (including recently graduated high school seniors). If you are a first-time student, please fill out the Student First Years application. If you are a college-aged student and have leadership experience and food and agriculture experience you might consider applying for a Student Leader position. You should submit your entire completed application to Emerald Hames on the Initiative staff using the contact information below:

- To send via email: ehames@uark.edu;
- Fax: 479-575-3320
- To send via regular mail: UA School of Law, Indigenous Food & Agriculture Initiative c/o Emerald Hames, 1045 W. Maple St., Fayetteville, AR 72701

Review Process

The fellow application deadline is April 11th, 2017. Materials must be emailed, faxed, or postmarked by 11:59pm CST that day to be considered by the admissions committee. The committee will review applications, and students will be notified of their application status, by the end of April. Late applicants will be placed on a waiting list to be reviewed on a rolling basis after the first round of new students have been admitted.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Tribal Affiliation(s) _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ E-mail address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Texting Yes/ No

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Preferred method of contact (home/cell phone, email, mail, etc): _____

Facebook Yes/No Twitter @ _____ Instagram @ _____

II. STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

Check all that apply

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| _____ FFA Member | _____ 4-H Member | _____ Cattle |
| _____ Horse | _____ Sheep | _____ Community Service |
| _____ Crops/Grains | _____ Poultry | _____ Art |
| _____ Sports | _____ Music | _____ Traditional Foods |
| _____ Nutrition | _____ Culinary Arts | _____ Traditional Medicinal Plants |
| _____ Student Government | _____ Community Garden | _____ Other (please specify) |

III. STUDENT INTERESTS

What are you passionate about? List or summarize your interests.

IV. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

1. **Résumé** that includes evidence of academic achievement (G.P.A);
2. **Letter of reference:**
 - One professional or personal reference letter from a current or former employer or supervisor, teacher, or member of your family, Tribe, or community who can speak to your dedication to food and agriculture and your leadership abilities.
 - Your recommenders should email, fax, or mail your letters directly to the Initiative staff. Contact information can be found in the application instructions above.

3. **Summit Fellow Project Proposal:**

Summit Fellows are late high school or early college-aged students who have attended the Summit in the past. They will work with other Summit Fellows to design a group project focusing on food and agriculture. They will develop the project together and present the project at the conclusion of the Summit. The project should be capable of being replicated in many tribal communities, and it should incorporate elements of the Summit curriculum (business plans, risk management, food sovereignty assessments, etc). In your own proposal, you can suggest the development of a for-profit business, nonprofit business, intertribal organization, community garden, school program, foundation, or any other group or entity that supports Indian Country food and agriculture. Each Fellow will be responsible for bringing a project proposal idea to the Summit. The Summit Fellows will meet on Day 1 of the Summit and decide as a group which project will move forward.

In a typed, double-spaced statement that is at least two pages in length, describe what kind of project you might like to undertake. Your proposal should address the following questions:

- Why is this project important?
- Who will this project serve?
- Who will be involved in this project?
- How will this project support Indian Country food and agriculture?

There is no maximum length for this proposal. If you would like, you may include supplementary information in addition to your written statement (Powerpoint or Prezi presentations, infographics, original artwork or music, etc). Please submit the proposal with your application.