# Tom Davis Scholarship

The purpose of the Tom Davis Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to five (5) deserving Navajo Technical University students to support NTU's vision of educating Navajo individuals to become self-reliant, attain educational honor and use their inherent skills embedded in the cultural principles of Nitsáhákees, Nahátá, Íína and Siihasin.

#### Who is Mr. Tom Davis?

Since the inception of the Tribal College Movement in the 1960s, Mr. Tom Davis has had a heavy hand in American Indian higher education. In addition to serving as the Dean of Instruction and Provost at Navajo Technical University, Mr. Davis has served as the President of Lac Courtes Oreilles Ojibwa Community College in Wisconsin, Little Priest Tribal College in Nebraska, and Interim President of Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College in Minnesota. Mr. Davis was also crucial in the founding of the College of Menominee Nations in Wisconsin and the revival of Tohono O'odham Community College in Arizona.

The impact of Mr. Davis extends far beyond the scopes of tribal colleges and universities, as he was also appointed the first Chairman of the American Indian Higher Education Consortium's (AIHEC) Technology Committee (now the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math Committee,) where he helped develop the Prosperity Game designed to end the digital divide held in Palo Alto, California. He also was the first Chair of the Technology Committee for the World Indigenous Nation's Higher Education Consortium headquartered in New Zealand.

Mr. Davis holds a bachelor's degree in English, History, and Education from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay in Environmental Science and Policy.

Type: Merit Based Scholarship. One-time award.

#### Eligibility:

- A member of the Navajo Nation
- An active Navajo Nation Voter Registration with your local Chapter
- Maintain Good Academic Standing
- GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Full-Time NTU Undergraduate
- All NTU Majors (certificate, associate and bachelors) are eligible.

#### Award

The following are award amounts for one semester and are not eligible for renewal:

- The Tom Davis Scholarship Program selects five (5) recipients. One (1) student from each of the five (5) Navajo Agencies: Eastern Crownpoint, Central Chinle, Northern Shiprock, Western Tuba City, and Ft. Defiance.
- This is a one-time scholarship award of \$1,000.00.

# NTU Scholarship Application

- Tom Davis Scholarship Application
- Navajo Nation Voter Registration Verification (NNVR)
- Certificate of Indian Blood
- 2 Signed Reference Letters (NTU faculty or staff)
- Personal Statement (Self-introduction and why you should be chosen)
- List of activities and honors

### **Application Submission**

Your application and supporting documents can be submitted in any of the following ways:

- In-Person: Sky Hawk Central (Enrollment Center) Attention: Delores Becenti, Enrollment Director (Main Campus)
- Email: Subject: NTU Scholarship Application
  <u>d.becenti@navajotech.edu</u>
- Mail: Dr. Delores Becenti, Director of Enrollment (Stamped by November 4th)
   Dr. Delores Becenti, Director of Enrollment Navajo Technical University
   P.O. Box 849 Crownpoint, NM 87313

# Deadline: FALL 2022 SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 4, 2022

# Questions?

Feel free to contact Dr. Delores Becenti Email: d.becenti@navajotech.edu Call: (505) 387-7404