

The Upper Snake River Tribes (USRT) Foundation Tribal Scholarship was established in 2017 to support a tribal member from one of the USRT's four member tribes in pursuit of a career in the environmental, fish & wildlife, and/or natural resource fields. The awardee will receive a one-time scholarship of \$1,000.00. Each academic year, the USRT scholarship will honor a USRT Tribal Leader who has exhibited dedication and passion in one or more of those fields and has been a cornerstone of USRT's success. The 1st Annual USRT Tribal Scholarship honors Lee Juan Tyler, a long-time Fort Hall Business Councilmember and USRT Commissioner and former Chairman.

Lee Juan was awarded this honor at the 2nd Annual USRT Banquet in Boise on March 15, 2017. For many years, Lee Juan has tirelessly advocated for the environment, fish & wildlife, and natural resources, which has seen him attend hundreds of meetings and travel tens of thousands of miles or more. His sacrifice for these issues cannot be overstated and he has been instrumental in the growth and development of USRT.



**Lee Juan Tyler**

## Application Guidelines

### Eligibility requirements include the following:

- Completion of USRT Scholarship Application form
- Be an enrolled member of the Burns Paiute Tribe, Fort McDermitt Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation, or Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation
- Be seeking a degree/career in the fields of study including: environmental, fish & wildlife, and/or natural resources
- Be enrolled in or entering in 2017 (verification required) a U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time, degree seeking student
- High School/College transcript must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or greater, on a 4.0 scale
- In a 500 word, one-page essay, demonstrate commitment to the environmental, fish & wildlife, and/or natural resource fields and how you intend to use that knowledge in your post-collegiate career
- At least 1 letter of recommendation, with contact information, from someone who can attest to your academic ability, work ethic, and/or interest in sciences. For example: Tribal leader, teacher, school counselor, employer, volunteer group leader, etc.

Submit your application and required documents to [info@usrtf.org](mailto:info@usrtf.org) or by mail to USRT by July 15, 2017. Application packages will be reviewed by the USRT Scholarship Committee and a decision will be made by August 15, 2017. Applicants will be notified soon after August 15<sup>th</sup> regarding the Committee's decision.



**Please contact us with questions!**  
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**[info@usrtf.org](mailto:info@usrtf.org)**  
**[www.uppersnakerivertribes.org](http://www.uppersnakerivertribes.org)**

## Required Documents List:

Please make sure all documents are included with your application. Applications without all required documents will be considered ineligible for consideration.

- Most recent transcripts (photocopy acceptable) showing cumulative GPA (GPA must be 2.5 or higher).
- Letter of proof of enrollment in one of USRT's four member tribes.
- A one page, 500-word essay demonstrating character, personal merit, and commitment to the natural resources and the American Indian community locally and/or nationally. Merit is demonstrated through leadership in school, civic and extracurricular activities, academic achievement, and motivation to serve and succeed.
- Proof of enrollment in a U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time degree-seeking student.
- At least 1 letter of recommendation, with contact information, from someone who can attest to your academic ability, work ethic, and/or interest in sciences. *For example: Tribal leader, teacher, school counselor, employer, volunteer group leader, etc.*

## Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
LastFirstM.I.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street AddressApartment/Unit #  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
CityStateZIP Code

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Cumulative GPA. (4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_  
Attach proof of GPA, Official Transcript

Enrolled Institution: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attach proof of full-time enrollment from College/University

Expected Class Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_  
Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior

Semester Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Education

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Did you graduate?  YES  NO Diploma: \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Did you graduate?  YES  NO Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

Other/Vocational: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Did you graduate?  YES  NO Degree: \_\_\_\_\_

## Disclaimer and Signature

I have read and understand the conditions of the USRT Scholarship as explained in the current ***Application Guidelines***. I confirm that I plan to pursue a career in environmental, fish & wildlife, and/or natural resources. I understand that this application will be available only to qualified people who need to see it in the course of their duties. If selected as a USRT scholar, I agree to allow USRT to publish award recognition on social media and online. I certify all information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that false or misleading information in my application may result in my disqualification.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Submit Application Packages To:

**info@usrtf.org**

or

**Upper Snake River Tribes Foundation  
ATTN: Scholarship Application  
413 W. Idaho St., Ste. 101  
Boise, ID 83702**