EDUCATIONAL FUNDING REQUIREMENTS
Requirements for educational funding.

- Complete Higher Ed Application.
- Provide proof of enrollment as a Tulalip Tribal member.
- Provide High School Diploma or GED – If you do not have either you must sign a 6 month agreement.
- Running start students must provide a letter from their high school counselor.
- Provide a complete educational program plan of courses for your degree from the college/institution.
- Goal letter—State your academic goals and how you plan to achieve those goals and projected outcomes.
- Must sign the agreement acknowledging receipt and understanding of the Higher Education Policy regarding student responsibilities and probationary status.
- Class schedule.
- Tuition invoice from college/institution.
- Diving or other (physical requirement) certificate program — Proper documentation must be provided.
- Room & Board—students must provide a lease agreement and W-9 from landlord and live 35 miles from home.

This documentation must be provided to Higher Ed staff at least two (2) weeks prior to school start date.

Essential elements required on schedules, grades and tuition invoices.

- Name of School:
- Term: i.e. SPRING 2016
- Student Name
- SID#: Your student ID number

(Finance requires this information on the schedule/back up for check order.)

Higher ED is located at: 7707 36th Ave NW, D-1 (Back behind the Boys & Girls Club)
You become a much better writer and speaker because studying philosophy, you have to speak and write essays. Those who study philosophy learn to think about arguments with an analytic and critical eye. They learn to anticipate objections. The philosophical skills of careful reading of a text and making a case for a particular interpretation is basically what the lawyer or judge does in interpreting the law.

We have seen that the lives people lead and the choices that they make are directly related to the philosophies they embrace, whether they realize it or not. Most of the 20th Century’s conflicts in the world have been waged over divergent philosophies: Marxism, Fascism, Democracy, Liberalism, Catholicism, Protestantism and science. In reading history, we learn about the followers of these philosophies and how they built and destroyed civilizations along with millions of human beings in the name of their cause.

A big change in the world of philosophy in the last 40 years or so is the presence of women and the change of focus. Also, the presence of literature in recent studies shows that reading literature has increased compassion in its readers. Novels through history have contributed to making moral progress and challenging people’s view of stereotypes on a whole array of subjects. Women philosopher’s have created a paradigm shift in many areas. Philosophical theory has been applied to real life problems such as medical ethics, environmental ethics and gender issues. We have seen arguments shifting our national conversation in the news, on TV and in our own thoughts.

It is evident that philosophy provides you with a unique combination of critical thinking and writing skills useful in most any profession, beginning with entrance exams required for law, medicine, business, computer science or engineering schools, as well as graduate programs in the humanities. Numerous recent philosophy graduates have gone on to further study while others have started careers in publishing, teaching, banking and investment, arts and recreation, technology and public services.

Why Study Philosophy?

There are both intellectual and practical reasons for studying philosophy. The study of philosophy teaches you how to approach problems, view arguments from multiple perspectives and think around situations or that stumbling block. Studying philosophy helps us improve our ability to communicate with others and express our ideas in a clear effective manner.

The types of problems thought about in philosophy revolve around logic, science logic, meaning, ethics, aesthetics, self, free will, death, happiness, the good life and the good society.

Philosophical questions bombard us every day. Philosophy’s everyday appearance either guides or misguides the lives of humans everywhere. Notably, we see this in politics and religion. The key is whether or not we rationally look at these choices and base our decisions on emotional or thoughtful considerations of the pros and cons of each situation.

Whatever happens in society, whatever humans consciously do or do not do to each other and for themselves is based on general ideas and values that are basically philosophical. In nature. Ideas that people will live and die for or are inspired to create great art or science are all philosophical ideas.

Through philosophy, we gain the ability to understand the broader picture which is the interconnectedness of history, political science, and a willingness to gain understanding and respect for other points of view. Respecting another viewpoint doesn’t necessarily mean that you have to agree. Philosophy teaches us how to ask questions, analyze and contrast viewpoints.

The practical reason for studying philosophy is the ability to get the good jobs out there but they do require preparation and this comes in the form of careful reading, critical thinking, intelligent decision-making and sound judgment. If you are thinking that philosophy is rather useless? Just look at mid-career salaries, you will see that philosophy majors rank 16 out of 50. This ranking puts philosophy way ahead.

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Talon Arbuckle was the student speaker for Higher Education at the 2016 Graduation Banquet held on June 13 at 5 pm at the Tulalip Resort Hotel. He gave encouraging words to all students who are striving to achieve their educational dream using some turning point illustrations from his own life.