



The David M. Gipp Leadership Fellowship is awarded to United Tribes Technical College students who exhibit significant leadership qualities and who will clearly continue to display such traits. Gipp Fellows must demonstrate deep commitment to public and community service and the ability to relate goals to the world. We are seeking to empower the next generation of Native American Leaders. These fellowships are geared towards students planning to return to their communities, both reservation and urban.

The Gipp Fellowships are awarded based on merit and on the basis of the students we feel will most likely improve the lives of Indian people. Applicants must have excellent grades, some work experience, a track record of leadership, and a strong commitment to their Indian community. Fellows should have clear goals about what they want to accomplish in life, and should have begun preparing for this work. Their goals must be related to the betterment of an Indian tribe or community.

Fellows receive professional and personal skill development and are given opportunities to interact with the media, write reports/press releases, fundraise, testify at key policy hearings, and participate in key meetings with top policy officials and leaders. They are given the opportunity to develop leadership skills, clarify their career commitments, build a leadership network within the campus and extend their contacts to other leaders beyond the college. Fellows will begin their leadership path with a new understanding of personal potential, talent, and leadership strengths along with skills and management tools to more successfully engage in their responsibilities and step up to challenges. Fellows will receive a stipend of \$500-\$2000 to help with educational expenses.