North Dakota Students Can Save Up To $17,000 in Tuition

Through the ND Career Builders program, students can receive a scholarship on the front end, loan repayment on the back-end, or both, for their commitment to fill a high-demand occupation. This innovative partnership provides $1 of state funds for each $1 of private-sector matching funds, up to a total of $17,000 per recipient! The program is a tool to keep our talent in North Dakota and help businesses recruit employees in high-demand occupations. It is a win-win for students, businesses, and the state!

Connect Students in High-Demand Occupation Programs at your Institution with Financial Assistance

Do you have students in programs at your institution who want to save money on tuition? The ND Career Builders program offers scholarships and loan repayment in high-demand occupations within the healthcare, manufacturing, information technology, industrial and skilled trades, education, social services and professional services industries. For a complete list of scholarship qualifying programs or loan repayment occupations, visit ndus.edu/career-builders.

Qualifying ND institutions include public, private, tribal and proprietary colleges. Students must be admitted into a qualifying certificate or degree program in the state that relates to a high-need occupation. Qualifying programs are those at the associate’s level and below, or other programs up to a bachelors level that are not longer than 4 semesters or 6 quarters in length. The institution will initiate the scholarship application process with the student and then, NDUS will confirm final eligibility based on program guidelines.
Help Businesses In Your Community
Recruit High-Demand Talent

The ND Career Builders program relies on colleges and universities across the state to help us connect students in your programs with local businesses to take advantage of this opportunity! We have seen success when the institution brings the students and businesses together to qualify for the program.

Additional information about requirements can be found at ndus.edu/career-builders.

Students and Businesses Share Their Experience with the Program.

For their full Q & A, visit our website ndus.edu/career-builders.

"We have helped students receive funds from the ND Career Builders Scholarship. We are seeing some students receive more than $10,000 when combining their sponsorship with matching scholarship programs. This is a great opportunity for our students to help pay for the cost of their education in these high demand fields."

– Shelley Blome, NDSCS Dir. of Financial Aid

“I have worked for over three years to get the 25 or so high schools in my geographic region to understand the Career Builder Scholarship and the sponsoring of students by businesses. The economic success of every ND community is tied to the success of filling these types of jobs/careers and the Career Builder program is the leading tool in our toolbox."

– Brad Barth, Exec. Dir., Forward Devils Lake Corp.

“ND Career Builders is a great opportunity to help with post-secondary education expenses. Students might not realize it now, but after graduation, it will really help them financially if they can start their careers without having to repay student loans.”

– Rachel Kmecik, Dir. of HR, True North Equipment

“My family and I are grateful for being accepted into the repayment program and having assistance in repaying my student loans.”

– Alyssa Stein, BS in Nursing, Sanford Medical Center

Be part of the solution to keep talent in ND

Learn more about the ND Career Builders Scholarship & Loan Repayment program at ndus.edu/career-builders. Questions? Contact NDUS at 701-328-2906 or at ndfinaid@ndus.edu.