

# MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION PROGRAM

## The Lawrence & Rita Olson Scholarship

### Scholarship Description

Lawrence E. Olson Jr. grew up in Oklahoma during The Great Depression of the 1930's. "Larry" helped provide for his mother and his siblings and honorably served our country during the Korean War. Decedents of Larry and Rita Olson have benefitted from the assistance of the Muscogee Nation as Tribal members. Giving back to the Muscogee Nation is an honor and a privilege.

**Amount of Scholarship Award**                      **\$1000.00**

### Purpose and Application of Funds

Nurturing our Creator's gifts is a noble and rewarding endeavor. Fostering responsible and sound stewardship of our natural resources is beneficial for wildlife, habitat, and multiple use benefits for people. Furthermore, we have the ability to provide future generations the opportunity to appreciate and enjoy our inherent treasures. This scholarship award can be utilized to pay for the *required* cost of tuition, fees, books, tools, supplies, testing or examination fees, transportation, or other incidental required cost related to the cost of the post-secondary education institution. Specifically, this scholarship is established for a student pursuing a degree in the field of Natural Resources: wildlife, biology/ecology, botany/horticulture, hydrology, geology, forestry, geography, fisheries, soil science, pathology/entomology, fire-science, and /or wild-land fire management, wild-land law enforcement, or another closely related field of study that involves the area of Natural Resource Management or Research.

### Eligibility Guidelines

1. Must be an enrolled citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
2. Must be currently attending an institution of higher education or enrolled as a first-time entering student.
3. Must be in the field of Natural Resources or closely related field.
4. Must demonstrate financial need.
5. Must agree to authorize the Scholarship Foundation Program to publicize the scholarship award if selected.

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Scholarship Foundation Program is a tribal government non-profit program qualified under Section 7871 (a) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. This status is only afforded to federally recognized tribes. All contributions to the Scholarship Foundation Program are fully tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.