

MURDENA MARSHALL SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP at Cape Breton University - Mi'kmaw student graduation scholarship

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Mi'kmaw Elder Murdena Marshall of Eskasoni First Nation long nurtured the dream that the educational mainstream might one day recognize Indigenous science alongside Western science. And thus, the establishment of the



Murdena Marshall Science Scholarship at Cape Breton University (CBU) recognizes the central and conceptual roles that Elder Murdena played in creating and nourishing the Integrative Science undergraduate science program at CBU, a science program intended to help enact her dream of “bringing together Indigenous and Western scientific knowledges and ways of knowing”.

Eligibility criteria for the **Murdena Marshall Science Scholarship** indicated (as of November 2011) on the CBU website (<http://www.cbu.ca/scholarships/scholarships>) are:

For a graduating CBU student of Mi'kmaq origin, from a natural science (e.g. Integrative Science/MSIT, biology, chemistry, physics) or natural science-related (e.g. nursing, public health) program. Successful candidate must have a minimum average of 65% with no failures on most recent evaluations and have been enrolled in a minimum of 18 credits in the last academic year.

You can read about the roles played by Elder Murdena in the origins and evolution of the Integrative Science undergraduate academic program at CBU on the website for the Institute for Integrative Science & Health: <http://www.integrativescience.ca/Origins/>.

You can also access biographical information about Elder Murdena:
<http://www.integrativescience.ca/People/Elders/>.

The **Murdena Marshall Science Scholarship** currently enables an annual award of \$500.00. To date (November 2011), the scholarship has been resourced entirely through the efforts of CBU's Institute for Integrative Science & Health. Inquiries about making donations to the **Murdena Marshall Science Scholarship**, or about the scholarship itself, should be directed to awards@cbu.ca.