

The Marina Bennett Butler Mi'kmaw Nursing Award



This award, valued at \$1,000.00 annually, was created by the family of Marina Bennett Butler with the support of friends and community members. Marina Bennett Butler was a Mi'kmaw woman and a Registered Nurse. She attended nursing school in the 1950s in New Brunswick because there was no training option in her home area on the west coast of Newfoundland. She then returned to the west coast, where she acted as both a nurse and midwife, delivering babies in homes as well as at the cottage hospital at Stephenville Crossing. Over the course of her nursing career, Marina was a licensed RN in Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Labrador, as well as several U.S. states. In the final couple years of her life, she lived in an Alzheimer's facility where the staff referred to her endearingly as Nurse Marina.

The award will be presented annually to a current WRSON undergraduate Mi'kmaw student from Newfoundland and Labrador (status or non-status). The recipient must be in clear standing, as defined by Memorial University of Newfoundland. The applicant must also include a statement of interest not to exceed 250 words, and evidence of identification as Newfoundland Mi'kmaw (letter from a band council, community elder, copy of SCIS card, etc).

Name: _____ Student #: _____

Address: _____

Are you a current WRSON student? _____

Do you identify as Newfoundland Mi'kmaw? _____

Please submit this form, along with your statement of interest and evidence of identification as Newfoundland Mi'kmaw to the following email address:

gcstudentservices@mun.ca

Deadline: **October 15**