



Miss Native American University of Arizona Guidelines, Eligibility, Rules

- Must be a full-time student at The University of Arizona through the entirety of reign.
- Must not graduate before relinquishing the title to the following Miss Native UA.
- Must have completed one semester of college study.
- Must be 18 years of age.
- Must be an enrolled member of a tribe.
- Must have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or higher.
- Must submit a mid-semester academic progress report to the Director of Native American Student Affairs.
- If withdraws from a class(es) resulting in less than full-time student status and/or drops below required cumulative GPA of 2.50, must submit a progress report indicating how she is to make up academic deficiencies.
- Must not have previously held the title of Miss Native American University of Arizona.
- Must not be married.
- Must not have any children or become pregnant during the duration of the reign.
- Must have effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Must have a working knowledge of Native American traditions, history, culture, and customs.
- Must be willing to represent the Native American students, faculty staff, and community of The University of Arizona.
- Must provide own traditional and contemporary attire.
- Must be responsible for her own transportation to functions throughout her reign.
- Must be willing and able to plan student activities and collaborate with a diverse university population.
- Must not hold the Miss Native American University of Arizona Committee, Native American Student Affairs, or The University of Arizona liable for losses, damages, or injury if selected as Miss Native American University of Arizona.



Miss Native American University of Arizona Competition Information

The selection of Miss Native American University of Arizona will be made on the basis of the categories listed below. Time limits will be strictly adhered to and loss of points will result for contestants who exceed the stated time limit.

Note: To maintain fairness, applicants will not be allowed to submit application material after the stated deadline. Applications that are incomplete at the time of the stated deadline will not be considered.

Letter of Recommendation

The letter will be submitted with the application materials. It must be written by a non-related Faculty, community, or tribal member.

Essay

Essay will be submitted with the application materials. It may not be longer than two pages and must be formatted in Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spaced, and 1-inch margins. See Official Application form for essay question.

Personal Interview

The personal interview will be conducted with the judges and will last approximately 20 minutes. As a general guideline, please be available the day before the pageant Talent Showcase, during the afternoon.

The Talent Showcase

The following categories will take place during the pageant Talent Showcase and will be open to the public.

Traditional Talent

Contestants must wear tribal dress and perform a traditional talent of their choice. Contestants are not allowed to change their traditional talent after the application deadline. There is a five minute time limit.

Contemporary Talent

Contestants should wear appropriate attire for their selected contemporary talent. Contestants are not allowed to change their contemporary talent after the application deadline. There is a five minute time limit.

Impromptu Question

Contestants will be given one minute to address a question.



Miss Native American University of Arizona Official Application

Type or print legibly in ink

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Tribal Affiliation: _____

Local Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Local Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

UA email: _____ Other email: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Tribe: _____

Father's Name: _____ Tribe: _____

EDUCATION

Student status (check one): Undergraduate _____ Graduate _____

Year at UA (check one): 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____ other _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Graduation Date: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

PERSONAL PROFILE (Attach additional pages if necessary)

List five words that describe you and explain why

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



4. _____

5. _____

Honors/Awards/Achievements

Hobbies and Interests

Activities/Community Service

Describe your educational and professional goals



TALENTS (Talents may not exceed five minutes. You will be penalized for exceeding this limit.)

Traditional Talent:

Contemporary Talent:

List any additional tools for talents (i.e. PowerPoint, tables, etc.):

RECOMMENDATION LETTER

Include one letter of recommendation from a non-related Faculty, Community, or Tribal member who can attest to your abilities as Miss Native American University of Arizona.

Essay

Please, answer the following question according to the guidelines stated in the Competition Information form.

As a Native American woman in today's society, how are you balancing the demands of being a college student while maintaining your sense of cultural and spiritual heritage?

Color photo

Submit to the current Miss Native University of Arizona via email, if possible.

With submission of this application, I hereby enter the 2009-2010 Miss Native American University of Arizona Pageant and affirm that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read and understand the Guidelines, Eligibility, and Rules form and the Competition Information form.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Miss Native American University of Arizona Behavior Contract

I, _____, agree to the following rules and stipulations, should I receive the title of Miss Native American University of Arizona or 1st Attendant.

- Act with respectful and appropriate behavior when serving as Miss Native American University of Arizona or 1st Attendant.
- Not participate or be arrested in a criminal act (underage drinking, drive while intoxicated, using illegal drugs, theft, etc.). If I do so, I understand that my title as Miss Native American University of Arizona will be forfeited and given to the 1st Attendant. If I receive the title of 1st Attendant and do not abide by this rule, I will be required to surrender my title.
- Return the crown of Miss Native American University of Arizona and/or replace the crown with another of the same or greater value upon completion of the reign.
- Provide a name sash and pow-wow shawl to the Miss Native American University of Arizona following your reign
- When organizing the pageant, must do so in adherence of the objectives and ideals stated in the, "Miss Native American University of Arizona pageant guidelines".
- Relinquish the title, crown, sash, gifts, and scholarship (amount dependent upon whether a scholarship was received and length of time served) to the First Attendant if dismissed before end of reign.
- Understand that the sponsoring individual and/or organization are not to be held responsible for any accidents of any kind while I am performing the duties of Miss Native American University of Arizona.
- The holder of the title is not obligated to any non-university appearances and that we encourage they keep their appearances to in-state events.

I have read and understand the listed rules and I agree to adhere to them or risk the forfeiture of my title as Miss Native American University of Arizona.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



Miss Native American University of Arizona Application Checklist

Each contestant must submit the following items in order to be eligible to compete in the Miss Native American University of Arizona pageant.

- Completed official application
- Essay
- Letter of recommendation
- Signed behavior contract
- Understand guideline, eligibility, and rule requirements
- Understand competition information
- Color photo sent via email, if possible.

Please note: Application materials will not be returned to contestants.