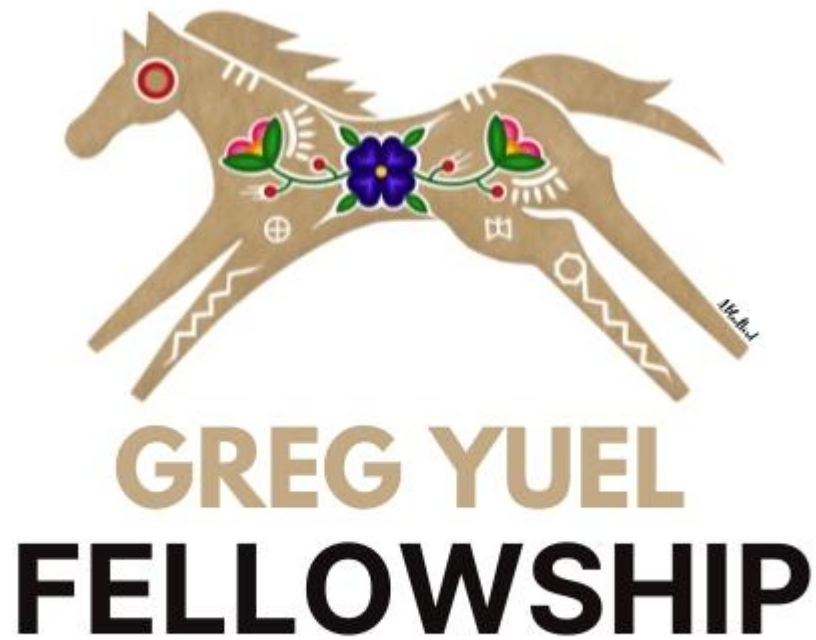




Application Form

SIIT Greg Yuel Fellowship

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OVERVIEW

In partnership with PIC Investments Group, SIIT's pawâcikêwikamik: Innovation Collective has launched the SIIT Greg Yuel Fellowship. The Fellowship's goal is to improve the Indigenous economy and transform the innovation ecosystem by supporting local Indigenous entrepreneurs in reaching their dreams.

The Greg Yuel Fellowship is an initiative that will host a maximum of fifteen Indigenous entrepreneurs from Saskatchewan as fellows. The vision of the fellowship is to improve the Indigenous economy and transform the innovation ecosystem by supporting existing Indigenous entrepreneurs (2+ years in operation prior to the fellowship) in reaching their dreams.

The fellows will complete an eight-month cohort-based program focused on strengthening and building capacity to grow and scale their businesses, using Indigenous and non-Indigenous resources and professional networks catered to their individual challenges and business needs — including mentorship, specialists, networking opportunities, and curated professional development sessions.

Disclaimer

SIIT's pawâcikêwikamik: Innovation Collective is unable to approve businesses that will include cannabis, alcohol, or gambling.

The Fellowship is for Saskatchewan Indigenous people who are currently entrepreneurs.

FORMAT

Over an eight-month period (2-7 hours per month with a 2-day orientation and a 2-day retreat), fellows will receive in-person and virtual opportunities, including:

- Two-Day Orientation
- Two-Day Retreat: Industry experts will present on scaling up your business
- Mentorship: throughout the program (max 3 hours/month with a mentor matched to the fellow's business and growth area)
- Masterclasses: 2–7-hour sessions once per month, taught by a specialist; mostly virtual via Microsoft Teams with some in-person sessions
- Celebration event: Graduation

EVALUATION

Fellows must complete the following during the eight-month program:

- Fellows MUST complete a self-evaluation at the start and end of the program, plus a digital progress check-in after each of the 8 masterclasses, giving you a real-time view of their own growth throughout the cohort.
- Attend at least 90% of professional development sessions (Masterclasses)
- Complete a maximum of 3 hours of mentorship per month

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be:

- An Indigenous entrepreneur
- Located in Saskatchewan
- Operating an established business (2+ years, generating revenue)
- Committed to the \$2,000 program cost

A minimum payment of \$500.00 is required prior to program entrance, with the option to pay the remaining balance in installments. Full payment of \$2,000.00 is required before March 1, 2027.

Participants are encouraged to seek funding for this program (e.g. the Gabriel Dumont Institute (GDI) Pathways for Entrepreneurship support fund). Contact Cree Cheechoo at cheechooc@siit.ca for support.

Applicants 35 and under may be eligible to apply for wrap-around support to cover program costs. Contact Cree Cheechoo for details.

With this application, you must also submit the following to be considered

- Copy of Saskatchewan Health Card
- Proof of Indigenous Identity
- Proof of address
- 2 years of historical financial statements
- Resume

- Business Plan
- Copy of business registration/incorporation documents, if applicable
- Copy of business insurance policy or certificate, if applicable

SECTION 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name	
Full Address	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Birthdate	
Indigenous Status (Status Treaty / Metis / Non-Status FN)	
What Community are you From?	

SECTION 2: BUSINESS INFORMATION

Name of Business	
Business Location	
How many years has your business been active?	
Number of employees (including yourself)	
Brief Business Description	
Target Market	
Business Objectives	
Legal structure (Sole proprietorship / Partnership / Corporation / Other)	
Are you incorporated or do you hold a business registration number? If yes, please include the number.	
Do you currently carry business insurance? If yes, please specify type.	
Are you the sole owner? If no, please list all owners, their % ownership, and Indigenous status.	

SECTION 3: FINANCIAL READINESS

Are you able to pay the \$2,000 program fee?	
How do you plan to fund the program fee? (e.g. personal funds, installments, GDI Pathways for Entrepreneurship, wrap-around support)	

SECTION 4: PROGRAM FIT

What specific growth challenge is your business currently facing?	
What does "scaling" your business mean for you, and what would success in this fellowship look like?	
What do you hope to gain from mentorship and the professional network offered through this fellowship?	

SECTION 5: BARRIERS

Is there anything that could disrupt your attendance or participation in the program? Please list all that apply.

Childcare Transportation Internet/connectivity for virtual sessions Housing Other	
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VULNERABLE SECTOR CHECK

The Greg Yuel Fellowship is committed to maintaining a safe space for all participants, including women and youth involved in the program. Applicants must not have been charged with or convicted of an offence involving abuse or violence against a vulnerable person. Approved applicants will be required to provide a Vulnerable Sector Check issued by the RCMP or their local police service — the same document commonly required for school trips and volunteer work with children or vulnerable populations — prior to program participation. This requirement exists solely to help ensure a safe environment for all fellows and is not intended to create barriers for applicants with unrelated prior history.

PROTECTION OF APPLICANT INFORMATION

The Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies (SIIT) collects personal information under the authority of The Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies Act and in accordance with Privacy Legislation, SIIT Privacy Policy and OCAP™ Principles. Personal information is collected, used, and disclosed for the purpose of application, registration, taxation, administrative and statistical reporting. By submitting this application to SIIT you are consenting to the collection, use and disclosure of personal information as described above. The information collected by SIIT is to be used only for the purposes for which the data was collected and will not be released to third parties unless written consent from the applicant is obtained.

DECLARATION

I hereby certify that all information is accurate and complete. I understand that false information may result in the cancellation of my application.

Signature	Printed Name	Date
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Please submit completed application form and all required documents to cheechooc@siit.ca.