

BC Storm Select Lacrosse

Naomi Plant Memorial Bursary



The Naomi Plant Memorial Bursary is an annual bursary that honors one of our own, a BC Storm Select player, coach, and teammate; and her immense passion for the Medicine Game.

Naomi Plant was a proud member of the Anishinaabe Ojibwe from Wiikwemkoong unceded territory Turtle Clan, Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians, and Nicola Thompson Salish. Naomi was born in March of 1999 and grew up playing the Medicine Game in Arlee, Montana.

In 2016 she tried out for the first ever U-19 Indigenous BC Female Box Lacrosse Team and made the team going to 2017 North American Indigenous Games. That year, her team received the bronze; this was her first time playing box lacrosse. She first played on the Storm Select Society all-Native team in 2018 and won silver at a tournament held in Six Nations, ON. She then joined us again in 2022, coming in third in the inaugural Women's Box Lacrosse Tournament in San Jose, CA.

Naomi played college lacrosse for Aquinas women's lacrosse team from 2020-2022. Her best season came in 2021, where she amassed 15 goals and 16 assists over 10 games. Plant scored 26 times and assisted 23 more over her 29 games career. She did so while accumulating 29 ground balls, nine caused turnovers, and 28 draw controls.

In her youth she played for Arlee High School, where she was a captain in 2015, received team awards each year, and helped her team win three state championships. Where she was also awarded at State finals, the all-star girls lacrosse team.

Application Requirements:

- Must be playing or played box and or field lacrosse, in either a female or coed lacrosse program in British Columbia.
- Be graduating or has graduated high school within the last three years and provide proof for application to Post Secondary School, Trades, or further Education.
- Or be registered in Post Secondary, Trades, or further Education * provide copy of registration
- Indigenous (Status, Metis, Inuit, or self-identifying)



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Application Essay Questions:

1. Naomi's passion for the Medicine Game led her to volunteer and give back, honoring her Indigenous heritage and teachings of sharing one's knowledge.
 - a. *Please share your volunteering involvement with the lacrosse community, your Indigenous or home community, or your school.*
2. Growing up in Arlee, Montana, Naomi's love of the Medicine Game started with field lacrosse.
 - a. *Please explain your field lacrosse history and any tournaments, awards, or memorable pieces. As well as the last season you played.*
3. Naomi's determination aided her in her pursuit of playing lacrosse at the NCAA level, but more importantly, it furthered her education.
 - a. *Please share your future post-secondary goals and career goals with us. Examples may be the diploma, bachelor's degree, trade school, or further education you are choosing to aid your career goal.*
4. If you were to receive this bursary, how would it impact you?
5. Please share any other information that will aid in the effectiveness of receiving this bursary.

Additional information:

- Applicants must attach a reference letter from a teacher, coach, community member, or mentor/ Elder from your community with the application.


Submit applications via email to: bcstormlacrosse@gmail.com

Deadline: April 30th 2025

* BC Storm Select Lacrosse was a dream after the 2017 North American Indigenous Games and was Cherlyn Billy's dream and vision to aid in the growth of Indigenous female lacrosse. Without Cherlyn's passion and love for all of her players, the BC Storm Select Lacrosse Society would not exist today. We continue her legacy and honor her, as well as all other keepers of the game.



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