



National Tribal Gaming Commissioners & Regulators®
PRESS RELEASE

NTGCR Selects 2020 Fall Scholarship Recipients

Green Bay, WI – October 1, 2020 – The National Tribal Gaming Commissioners/Regulators® Scholarship Committee has announced the recipients of the NTGCR Fall 2020 Tribal Scholarship award for Native American students.

This semester's recipients are: **Leida Rodriguez** (Oneida Nation) of Green Bay, Wisconsin and **Rylee Desautel** (Colville Confederated Tribes) of Inchelium, Washington for the NTGCR Scholarships, along with **Kristi Cole** (Cherokee Nation) of Tahlequah, Oklahoma for the Jess Green Scholarship Award.

Ms. Rodriguez is currently attending University of Wisconsin - Madison where she is pursuing a degree in Human Development and Family Studies. After graduation she hopes to use her education by expanding the Oneida Nation's Language Nest, working with newborns to age 3.

Ms. Desautel is currently attending Columbia Basin College pursuing a degree in Nursing. After graduation, she hopes to use her knowledge and education to become a nurse and then on to graduate school to become a physical therapist.

Ms. Cole is currently attending University of Oklahoma, where she is pursuing her master's degree in Indigenous People's Law. After graduation, Ms. Cole hopes to continue working with her tribal government and the people represented.

The recipients will each receive a \$2,500.00 scholarship to assist with tuition, books, meal cards and living expenses. They were all selected based on their academic grade point average, exhibition of leadership, community involvement, written essay, letter of recommendations, accomplishments and professional development.

Information on when the NTGCR Scholarship Committee will begin accepting applicants for our regular Tribal Scholarship program and the Jess Green Law Student Scholarship for the 2021 Spring Semester can be found at the organization's website, www.ntgcr.com.

The NTGCR is a non-profit organization consisting of tribal regulatory members and other non-voting affiliate members. The organization is dedicated to providing tribal gaming regulators with education and training. The NTGCR promotes cooperative relationships amongst tribes and may act as a gaming regulatory advisory group to tribal gaming organizations.

#####