



Stone Child College: Priorities for the 119th Congress (February 2025)

Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) provide rigorous postsecondary education and research opportunities for American Indians and Alaska Natives (AlANs) and other rural community residents. TCUs offer higher education that is uniquely Tribal, founded on Native languages, culture, and philosophy with strong student support systems and community engagement. Through these educational opportunities, research, and industry partnerships for high-demand careers, TCUs are laying the foundation for sustainable economic development within Tribal Nations and beyond. Together, we build *Strong Sovereign Nations through Excellence in TRIBAL higher education*, empowering individuals and strengthening communities.

Stone Child College: AT A GLANCE

- Enrollment Trends (Spring 2024/Fall 2024): Spring 2024 Degree Seeking students: 177 Fall 2024 Degree Seeking students: 178
- Affordable Tuition: \$415 per credit for enrolled tribal members
- Student to Faculty Ratio: 1:13
- Part-time/Full-time: Spring 2024 Part-time = 123 Full-time= 149
 Fall 2024 Part-time= 135 Full-time= 153
- Persistence Rate: 66% Fall 2023 to Spring 2024
- Highest Level of Degree/Program Available: Bachelor of Science
- TRIO Program: No
- Fun Fact: SCC is named after Chief Asiniiwin (Stone Child).



Stone Child College (SCC) provides free childcare, transportation, tutoring, advising, and the Monday Drum, where lunch is served and announcements are made by SCC departments. Additionally, SCC hosts weekly engagement activities and offers retention services.



Stone Child College: Strengthening Our Workforce

TCUs prepare professionals in high-demand fields, including agriculture and natural resources management, health, information technology, and building trades. By teaching the job skills most in demand within our communities, TCUs are laying a strong foundation for Tribal and regional economic growth.

SCC offers several programs. For certificate programs, SCC provides a 2-Year Building Trades program, a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program, a 1-Year Accounting Certificate, and a Native American Art certificate emphasizing Chippewa Cree Art. For associate degree programs, SCC offers General Business, Office Administration, and Information Systems. For Bachelor's degree programs, SCC offers Early Childhood Education.

To enhance the capacity of our Building Trades certificate, SCC has partnered with Dick Anderson Construction to develop an MC3 Curriculum (MultiCore Curriculum).





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TOTAL ALUMNI IMPACT	
\$2.3 BILLION	ADDED INCOME
28,778	JOBS

Job equivalents indicate jobs created by TCUs, both full- and part-time. They are based on industry-specific jobs to sales ratios. The \$2.3 billion alumni impact supports 28,778 jobs nationwide. (EMSI & AIHEC, 2015)

Stone Child College: Driving Economic Development In 2015, AIHEC conducted an economic impact study to analyze the importance of TCUs in the regional and national economy. TCUs act as a catalyst for economic growth locally and regionally by enhancing educational opportunities, research, and leadership skills for Tribal and other rural students.

Through SCC's Extension Services department grants, the College has provided training and development for Beginning Farmers and Ranchers, a 4-H program for local youth, and a gardening grant focused on food sustainability. Community members who engage in and benefit from these programs include local cattlemen, farmers, and students.

Stone Child College: Building Our Futures

TCUs are resilient, resourceful, and proud to lead the nation in many areas, including preparing an American Indian and Alaska Native workforce of engineers, nurses, land managers, technicians, and teachers. Always looking to the future, TCUs are focused on building new partnerships, advancing educational excellence, and creating economic opportunities for Tribal and regional communities.

The local community requires skilled plumbers, electricians, construction managers, water quality technicians, engineers, and laborers. Partnerships could be established with local universities that offer these degree and certificate programs or apprenticeships. It's vital to cultivate collaborations with local businesses to provide our students with internships in the area.

