



Graduate Horizons

Website: <http://collegehorizons.org/index.php?page=graduate-horizons>

Graduate Horizons is the graduate version of College Horizons and is run by the same organization. It is a program designed to help Native American college students prepare for graduate school. Graduate Horizons is a non-profit organization in its seventh year of helping students. Although the organization is based in Pena Blanca, New Mexico, it serves students throughout the country.

The Graduate Horizons Program is a four day “crash course” for Native American college students who are considering graduate school for a master’s or doctoral degree or a professional school. The program is held during the summer once a year. About 75 to 90 students participate in each program. The program helps college students determine suitable graduate schools and career paths. Students also learn how to finance their graduate education, and develop relationships with faculty and college admissions officers. Test taking tips for the GRE, GMAT, LSAT, and MCAT are covered along with strategies and tips for creating excellent personal statements and essays. It even helps address specific issues that Native American students will encounter in graduate schools.

The program is not just for current college students. It is also open to Native Americans who have graduated college within the past several years who may be wondering whether they should return and earn a graduate degree. The Graduate Horizons Program is held at different host universities around the country every year.

A number of schools and organizations have partnered with Graduate Horizons including Cornell University, Duke University, Washington State University, University of New Mexico, Johns Hopkins University, University of California Berkeley Law School, and the John Marshall School of Law. The organizations that have partnered with Graduate Horizons include the American Indian Graduate Center, the Princeton Review Foundation, the Graduate Management Admissions Council, the Washington Internship for Native Students, and the Global Center for Cultural Internship.

The Graduate Horizons Program has had more than 400 graduates. The organization realizes how important diversity is. There have been more than 50 Tribes represented between the College Horizons and Graduate Horizons Programs. Many of the students who attend the College Horizons Program are first generation college students, and a number of them earn prestigious scholarships. The organization is now headed by the former head of the Harvard University Native American Program who is a Native American, and many of the staff members belong to Native American tribes.

In order to be eligible for the Graduate Horizons Program, students need to be Native American, Native Hawaiian, or Native Alaskan. They will need to provide proof that they belong to a Native American tribe.

They also need to be a current college student, a college graduate, or already be enrolled in a master's program.

Graduate Horizons has dedicated itself to helping Native American students go on to achieve a postgraduate education in a variety of fields. The organization has been recognized for its work as it was rewarded with a NACAC Human Relations Award in 2005. If students are considering graduate school, they should look into what Graduate Horizons can do for them.