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ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2016 GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

REMSA Announces \$5,000 Graduate Student Scholarship Award

The Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers Association (REMSA) is pleased to announce the availability a graduate scholarship for tuition assistance. **This year REMSA is offering one (1) \$5,000 Graduate Scholarship.**

ABOUT REMSA, the Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers Association

REMSA represents manufacturers and suppliers of products, services and equipment that support the railway industry. REMSA's mission is to facilitate global business development opportunities to its members and advance initiatives in support of the rail industry.

AMOUNT OF AWARDS: One (1) at 5,000

Scholarship funds, awarded annually, are sent to the financial aid office at each recipient's institution to be applied to the student's account at the beginning of the fall term of study. Students must be in attendance for a full year following receipt of the award.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must:

- be a full- or part-time employee of a REMSA member company; or the spouse, son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of a current full-time employee of a REMSA member company. An employee who is the scholarship applicant does not have to be a full-time employee. Interns are not eligible;
- be enrolled and in attendance at the time of application as a full-time graduate student at an accredited college or university offering a master's or doctoral degree;
- demonstrate successful completion of the previous year of study and a willingness to continue; and
- have the intent to pursue a career in the Railway Engineering-Maintenance industry.

RENEWAL OF REMSA SCHOLARSHIP

Previous winners of REMSA scholarships are eligible to be considered for renewal of their scholarship assistance each year. They must submit the following: a new application form, narrative statement, two letters of recommendation (one must be from a college faculty member), a letter of sponsorship from a REMSA member company, an updated transcript including courses taken and grades received since their initial application, and the essay listed under item 4 on the following page.

APPLICATION DEADLINE — Friday, July 1, 2016

A complete application and all accompanying materials must be sent to the REMSA Scholarship Committee and postmarked no later than Friday, July 1st for consideration for the following academic year. **The absence of any of the materials listed below will render the application incomplete. It is recommended that applicants contact the REMSA office (info@remsa.org) in early June to inquire about the status of their application with regard to receipt of the materials required for consideration.**

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for this scholarship, all materials listed below must be sent to the REMSA Scholarship Committee:

1. A completed Application for the Graduate Scholarship Program, including the narrative requested in Section E of the application.
2. A letter written on official REMSA member company stationery confirming REMSA sponsorship as requested in Section A of the application and stating the relationship of the member company employee to you, e.g., employee, father, mother, etc.
3. An official transcript from all undergraduate and graduate schools attended, and indicating all college-level work completed through January 31st of the year the application is made. The transcript(s) should list courses taken or in which currently enrolled.
4. An essay, 500 words or less, addressing the following:

Since the third quarter of 2015, the North American freight railroad business has been slowing giving rise to the recent capital expenditure slowdown. What should the railroads do about this situation and how does this affect the railroads' long-term strategic growth?

5. Two letters of recommendation written on official letterhead as explained in Section F of the application form. At least one of the letters must be from a faculty member at the college in which you are currently enrolled. This letter should be written on an official letterhead. **It is your responsibility to obtain the references and request that they submit their letters directly to the Association postmarked no later than July 1, 2016. Letters of recommendation may be submitted electronically via email to soucie@remsa.org. Emails must come directly from reference.**

It is requested that you submit the application, narrative statement, and essay electronically to soucie@remsa.org with "2016 REMSA Graduate Scholarship" in the subject line.

Please arrange to have transcripts, letters of recommendation, and the letter of sponsorship sent directly to:

**REMSA Scholarship Committee
Attention: Urszula Soucie, Director of Trade Shows & Operations
Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers Association
500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20001**

ALL MATERIALS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN July 1, 2016.

EVALUATION AND NOTIFICATION

A Scholarship Committee appointed by the REMSA Board of Directors will base its evaluation for awards on the materials submitted. All applicants will be informed of awards in August. **Graduate scholarship recipients will be required to submit a final official transcript including grades for the spring term (if applicable) and an official course schedule for the fall semester.**

APPLICATION STATUS

It is recommended that applicants contact the REMSA office at info@remsa.org in early June to inquire about the status of their applications with regard to receipt of the materials required for consideration. If any materials are missing, the application will be considered incomplete.



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APPLICATION FOR 2016 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Please type or print the following information. Attach an additional sheet if you need more space.

A. BACKGROUND

Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Home Address: _____

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number: (____) _____ Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

(Optional)

(Optional)

Married (optional): Yes No If married, give spouse's full name: _____

Name of sponsoring REMSA Member Company: _____

Name of REMSA member company employee or owner related to you: _____

Relationship to you, e.g., employee, father, mother, etc.: _____

A letter from a company officer on official company letterhead confirming sponsorship and your relationship to company personnel must be forwarded to REMSA.

Do you hold any scholarships at the present time? Yes No

Are you a current or past recipient of a REMSA scholarship? Yes No

What sources of income, including scholarships, will you have while attending college in the fall?

B. EDUCATION

Undergraduate college or university: _____

Name

Location

Dates of Attendance

Number of year's completed: _____ Degree received: _____

Present college or university: _____

Name

Location

Dates of Attendance

Year in graduate program: _____

Major course of study _____ Grade Point Average _____

Other colleges or universities attended:

Name _____ Location _____ Dates of Attendance _____

Major course of study _____ Degree, if any _____ Grade Point Average _____

List any other schools attended, e.g., vocational or industrial schools, etc., including dates of attendance and subjects completed.

Name	Dates of Attendance	Subjects Completed

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C. WORK EXPERIENCE (most recent first)

Employer's Name: _____ Phone No.: (_____) _____
Address: _____
Period of employment: From _____ to _____
Title of position & description of duties: _____

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Address: _____
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D. SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

List professional societies, civic organizations, important committees or other significant organizations or activities in which you participate.

List honors or special awards in recognition of your professional or community activities.

E. INTENT TO PURSUE RAILWAY ENGINEERING-MAINTENANCE INDUSTRY CAREER

Please prepare a narrative, not exceeding 1,350 words, on a separate double-spaced typewritten sheet with your name at the top. In your narrative include the following:

1. A brief description of your present and any future study program.
2. Any research projects or school activities in which you are now or have been involved.
3. Post-graduate plans.
4. Why you feel you are deserving of this scholarship.
5. Any other pertinent information you feel important to your application.

F. REFERENCE AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Provide the names and addresses of two references who will write letters of recommendation for you. One letter must be from a faculty member at the college in which you are currently enrolled and must be on official college letterhead. The second reference may include another faculty member, your department head, current or former employer, REMSA member or other responsible person. This letter should be written on an official letterhead. **It is your responsibility to obtain the references and request that they submit their letters directly to the Association postmarked no later than July 1, 2016. Letters of recommendation may be submitted electronically via email to soucie@remsa.org. Emails must come directly from reference.**

1. _____ (_____) _____
Name Title Institution/ Company Phone No.

Office Address City State Zip Code

2. _____ (_____) _____
Name Title Institution/ Company Phone No.

Office Address City State Zip Code

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION ARE CORRECT AND, IF SELECTED, I AGREE TO UTILIZE THE MONIES FOR THE PURPOSE STATED.

Signature of Applicant _____ **Date** _____