



**AREMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
MICHAEL & GINA GARCIA RAIL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP**

The American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association (AREMA) Educational Foundation is pleased to announce the availability of the Michael & Gina Garcia Rail Engineering Scholarship to an engineering student who has a potential interest in railway engineering career. Priority for this scholarship is given to a student who is married and/or is supporting a family while enrolled as a student.

AMOUNT OF AWARD: Scholarship is in the amount of \$2000 and will apply to the 2008-2009 academic year.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must be enrolled as students in a four or five year program leading to a Bachelor's degree in Engineering or Engineering Technology in a curriculum which has been accredited by the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology, (or comparable accreditation in Canada and Mexico). All eligible applicants will be considered, however, first priority for this scholarship is given to students who are married and/or are supporting a family while enrolled as a student.

APPLICATION PROCESS: To apply for this scholarship the materials listed below must be sent to: AREMA Educational Foundation Scholarship Committee, American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association, 10003 Derekwood Lane, Suite 210, Lanham, MD 20706 USA

- a. A cover letter, not exceeding 350 words, in business format, giving reasons why the applicant believes he/she is deserving of an AREMA Educational Foundation Scholarship. The applicant should indicate areas of railroading which might be of particular interest, and describe how his/her attributes relate to these areas.
- b. A resume which is comparable to that which would be prepared by a graduating senior who is seeking professional employment. The resume should contain personal data, work experience, education information and any other information the applicant feels is appropriate.
- c. Two letters of recommendation. One must be from a faculty member, and the other may be from another faculty member, present or former employer, AREMA member, or other responsible person. Letters of recommendation will be confirmed prior to award of scholarship. For confirmation purposes, a phone number and e-mail address of signer must be included with each letter of recommendation.
- d. A transcript from the school(s) attended, which includes college level work completed at least through December 31, 2007, plus courses currently enrolled in. Printed computer or Internet copies of transcript will be accepted. Transcripts will be confirmed with school(s) prior to award of scholarship.

DEADLINE FOR APPLYING: An original of the above materials must be submitted in one envelope and received by AREMA no later than Friday, March 14, 2008.

EVALUATION AND NOTIFICATION: A scholarship committee appointed by AREMA Committee 24- Education & Training, will base its evaluation for awards on material submitted. Successful applicants will be informed of awards on or before April 25, 2008.

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ALL AREMA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM AND ATTACH TO ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS:

NAME _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING _____

WORKING TOWARDS WHAT DEGREE? _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE AREMA SCHOLARSHIP:

Please submit one copy of the following in the order listed:

- This AREMA data form
- A cover letter, not exceeding 350 words, in business format.
- A resume containing personal data, work experience and education information.
- Two letters of recommendation (not more than one page):
 - o One from a faculty member.
 - o One from another faculty member, present or former employer, AREMA member, or other responsible person.
- A transcript from the school(s) attended, including college level work completed at least through December 31, 2007, plus courses currently enrolled in.

Additional instructions:

- Application packets are to be stapled once in the upper left hand corner
 - No photos are allowed
 - Submission of extra materials beyond what is requested may be cause for disqualification of applicant.
- Check here to confirm that you are married and/or supporting a family while enrolled as a student. Please explain in your cover letter.

Applications must be received by **March 14, 2008.**

**SEND ALL MATERIALS TO:
AREMA/SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
10003 DEREKWOOD LANE, SUITE 210**

LANHAM, MD 20706 USA