



MINNESOTA
CONSTRUCTION
ASSOCIATION

2020 MCA Scholarship

Thank you for your interest in the Minnesota Construction Association (MCA) Scholarship. We are thrilled to be offering this opportunity to you through the generous donations of our many members.

Through various fund-raising efforts and activities, we are proud to be able to assist students in pursuing their educational goals in the construction industry. As a full encompassing industry leading association, we hope you will consider the Minnesota Construction Association and the many exciting opportunities it provides to its members. MCA provides services that reach the full industry and is proud to be a supporter of the next generation of industry leaders.

Thank you again for taking the time to complete this application. **Please return required materials promptly by the May 29, 2020 deadline.** Scholarship winners will be notified in writing late summer 2020.

If you have any further questions, please contact Jenny Wothe at 952-928-4646 or email info@mnconstruction.org.

Sincerely,

Heather Grazzini-Sims

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MCA 2020 President

Return to: Minnesota Construction Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee,
4248 Park Glen Road, Minneapolis, MN 55416
DEADLINE – POSTMARKED May 29, 2020



Student Guidelines

Scholarships awards available:

- 2020 – Four (4) scholarships are available in the amount of \$4,000; \$3,000; \$2,000; and \$1,000.

Who is eligible?

- Applicant must be classified as a full-time student in their sophomore, junior or senior year during time of application process.
- Applicant must be classified as a full-time junior or senior at the time funds are disbursed.

How do I apply?

- Complete this application form and other requested information. Mail or email completed forms and materials to *Minnesota Construction Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 4248 Park Glen Road, Minneapolis, MN 55416* or info@mnconstruction.org.

What information do you need?

- All applicants must provide a transcript of college grades and a summary of activities and accomplishments. Applicants also must provide a written statement on future goals and why he or she should be considered for a scholarship award.
- When grade point and extracurricular activities are comparable between students, the judges attach significant weight to the student's personal written statement.

When will awards be announced?

- Following the confirmation from the Minnesota Construction Association, the award recipients will be announced late summer.

Will the award cover all costs?

- Maximum value of each full award is \$4,000; \$3,000; \$2,000 or \$1,000 payable in a lump sum payment. Scholarships funds may be used to pay all normal college expenses including tuition, room and board, book purchases and rentals. Fees, which are refundable, will not be paid.

How will the scholarship be awarded?

- Scholarship awards will be sent to the college of your enrollment during the month of August 2020. The amount will be credited to your account.



Information Requirements

Information you need to prepare: (All materials must be typed in order to be considered, no handwritten materials will be accepted)

- Complete the application completely, accurately, and submit on time. **Deadline: May 29, 2020**
- Complete the application form (page 6 of this document).
- Include the following with your application (additional details/requirements for submission are included on pages 4-5)
 - Personal Statement: Write a personal statement expressing your comments regarding your future goals and why you should receive this scholarship.
 - Complete an activities summary.
 - Complete a future plans summary.
 - Provide a summary of your leadership activities.
- All applicants must provide a transcript of college grades (include transfer schools). Included must be noted your current year i.e. sophomore second semester and your accumulated GPA as well as your most current last semester GPA.
- Ask your professor, former employer or supervisor to complete a personal reference regarding your skills and qualifications (additional details/requirements for submission are included on page 7).
- Student membership with MCA is not required, but is strongly encouraged and may be a determining factor in scholarship recipient selection. **Student membership is free and the application is available online at www.mnconstruction.org/join.**
- Materials must be sent via U.S. mail, FedEx or UPS or emailed (postmark is used for deadline date). No in-person materials will be accepted.
- You are responsible for all information being included with your application materials.

Please contact Jenny Wothe at 952-928-4646 or email info@mnconstruction.org if you have other questions.



Personal Statement

Please express your thoughts outlining your future goals and discuss why you feel you should be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Please combine the statement above with one of the topics listed below:

- How has construction made a difference in your life?
- How have you helped enhance your understanding of construction?
- What does Minnesota offer you as you pursue your career?
- How has construction impacted your life?
- What would you like to do with the MCA while still in college?

Your personal statement must be typed in order to be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Your essay must have a minimum of 300 words up to a maximum of 500 words. Please attach a separate sheet.

Student Activity Summary

The Minnesota Construction Association is interested in your school, civic, and extracurricular accomplishments and involvements, as well as your academic standing. Please list your activities, including years of participation, offices held, and honors received.

Areas to consider:

***Student Organizations** - (Student clubs, Student government, etc.)

***Community Involvement, Philanthropy** - (United Way, Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, etc.)

***Other** - (National Honor Society, scholarships, activities, awards, etc.)

Your student activity summary must be typed in order to be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Please attach a separate sheet.



Student Future Plans

The Minnesota Construction Association is interested in your future goals/plans. Please include a brief summary of your future plans.

- Anticipated role within the construction industry
- College/university attending

Your student future plans summary must be typed in order to be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Please attach a separate sheet.

Student Leadership Development

The Minnesota Construction Association is interested in your Leadership Development extracurricular accomplishments and involvements, as well as your academic standing. Please list your activities, including years of participation, offices held, and honors received.

Areas to consider:

***Student Competitions** - (Industry Sponsored Competitions, etc.)

***Student Leadership positions** - (Student Ambassadors, Construction Club leadership, Toastmasters, etc.)

***Other** - (Safety Leadership roles, Regional Leadership roles, etc.)

Your student leadership summary must be typed in order to be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Please attach a separate sheet.



Application

Status When Applying: College Sophomore _____ College Junior _____ College Senior _____

PERSONAL PROFILE – Please Type

Student’s Name _____

E-mail Address _____
(Future correspondence will be sent via the e-mail address provided.)

Birth Date _____

Permanent Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone # _____

Are you a student member of MCA: Yes _____ No _____

College / University Attending Information

COLLEGE PROFILE

College Name _____

College Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Last Semester GPA _____

Accumulative GPA _____

Current Year
(i.e. Junior 1st Semester) _____

I authorize the release of school information necessary for application to Minnesota Construction Association.

Signature of Student _____



Professor/Employer/Supervisor Recommendation

Student's Name _____

Your recommendation must be typed in order to be considered for a Minnesota Construction Association Scholarship. Please attach a separate sheet with your evaluation.

Please evaluate the above-named student as to his or her qualities including college potential, personal attributes, work ethic, general ability, and worthiness of a Minnesota Construction Association scholarship. The student file will also contain a personal narrative, listing of extracurricular activities, and grades. We thank you for your assistance in our selection process. (A separate sheet may be used. Please sign, date, and attach this form.) Some areas to consider in your comments:

- Communication Skills (ability to express verbally and in writing, ability to be assertive, listening skills)
 - Leadership Qualities (organization skills, ability to motivate others, innovativeness, judgment, flexibility)
 - Responsibility and Maturity (dependability, role modeling, consistency)
 - Personal Skills and Traits (honesty, tolerance & appreciation of diversity, patience, sensitivity to others, level of commitment)
 - Additional Comments
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Signature & Position _____

Date _____

School or Company _____