



# MINNESOTA CONCRETE COUNCIL



## TERRY SWOR HONORARY ENGINEERING, GEOLOGICAL AND MATERIAL SCIENCES SCHOLARSHIP



In 2022 the Minnesota Concrete Council renamed this scholarship in honor of Terry Swor, PG (Founder of American Engineering Testing, Inc). Terry, who was the Minnesota Concrete Council's third President, has been an avid supporter of the Minnesota Concrete Council and the driving force behind the creation and success of its scholarship program.

**THE MINNESOTA CONCRETE COUNCIL** (MCC) is dedicated to advancing education, technical practice, scientific investigation and research into cast-in-place concrete materials and construction practices by organizing the efforts of its members as a non-profit service organization. Individual memberships and member companies represent design, construction and support industries associated with reinforced and post-tensioned concrete construction throughout Minnesota. MCC members have national and international presence in the design, construction, forensic, materials, QA/ QC and construction fields. The organization is committed to keeping its members on the leading edge of technology as it relates to their respective disciplines via continuing education programs, networking opportunities and research.

As MCC has grown as an organization, so has its commitment to encouraging students to pursue careers in concrete related fields and to enhance the level of professionalism and industry engagement of those students.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

A scholarship ranging in value from \$1,000 to \$4,000 may be awarded on an annual basis to engineering, geological and material sciences students. (In addition to this scholarship, MCC also provides scholarship opportunities for students pursuing degrees in Construction Management or in Concrete Industry Management.)

MCC reserves the right to adjust the number and monetary value of its scholarships.

In addition to the cash scholarship prize, MCC will provide a complimentary one- year MCC student membership and complimentary registrations for all MCC continuing education opportunities for one year to the scholarship winner(s).

### **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

1. Student's home address must be in Minnesota OR student must be currently enrolled in a post-secondary Minnesota school (College or University).
2. Student must be pursuing an education in technical/ professional fields associated with the cast-in-place concrete industry (Engineering, Geological, and Material Sciences).
3. Student must have a strong interest in concrete materials and/or concrete construction.

The MCC Scholarship Committee will review applications from qualified students and rank the students based on their proven interest in advancing design and construction that incorporates cast-in- place concrete construction.

### **SUBMISSION PROCESS AND TIMELINE**

- Applications may be downloaded from the MCC website ([www.mnconcretecouncil.com](http://www.mnconcretecouncil.com)) or by e-mailing MCC (see below for e-mail address).
- Completed applications and essay must be received by December 6, 2024.
- Selected applicants will be interviewed in person or by web connection by January 17, 2025.
- The scholarship recipients are expected to attend a minimum of one MCC continuing education program sometime in the next academic period.

### **EVALUATION**

Applicants will be evaluated on:

- Involvement in concrete related activities
- Involvement in professional student organizations
- Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- Work experience – both concrete and non-concrete related (such as internships and research in concrete related fields)
- Written essay
- Transcript from College or University to document course work (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted.)
- Letters of recommendation

### **CONTACT**

If you have any questions regarding the MCC Scholarship program, please contact Priscilla Conway at 651-482-9549 or by e-mail at [pconway@mnconcretecouncil.com](mailto:pconway@mnconcretecouncil.com)

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## Engineering, Geological And Material Sciences Scholarship Application

Please TYPE the information into the form below.

### General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Current College / University Information

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address at School (If Different from Above): \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrance Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Degree(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

### Secondary (High School) Information

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

### Work Experience / Internships

Please provide information on work experience (concrete-related and other) you have had while you were enrolled in your current program:

Company, Location & Title	Dates Employed	Duties/Responsibilities

### Professional Activities, Memberships & Extracurricular Activities

Please give a brief description of activities you have been in while enrolled in your current program:

Organization	Dates of Involvement	Duties/Responsibilities	Officer / Committee Positions

## **IMPORTANT - The following information is required:**

### **Essay**

On a separate sheet of paper, TYPE a short essay (approximately 300 words) on the following topic: What inspired you to pursue a career in engineering and what interests you about the concrete industry specifically? Prior year applicants are advised to submit an updated essay. Your interest in concrete as a building material and your understanding of our profession are important and should be reflected in the essay. Grammar matters. Creativity counts. (Please be original and avoid rephrasing Google search results about cast-in-place concrete.) YOUR ESSAY REPRESENTS A MAJOR SCORING FACTOR IN THE SELECTION PROCESS! The expectation for the essay is that the applicant will generate original material to respond to the essay questions. The applicant may not plagiarize or use AI to write or to edit their essay. The submission of material generated by AI will be given a 0 for the essay portion of the application. The applicant will be notified if this occurs.

### **Transcript**

Please include a copy of your most current, up-to-date college or university transcript to document your course work. (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted.)

### **Endorsement/Testimonials/References**

Please include at least one, but no more than two, letters of recommendation from your academic professors and/or managers to whom you reported to during your work experiences or internships. (Points are deducted for no letter.)

### **Certification Of Enrollment And Academic Good Standing**

By signing this application, I hereby certify that I am currently enrolled and in good standing at a post-secondary school meeting the requirements of the award and that all information included in this application is true and accurate.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Permission To Release Information**

By signing this application, I hereby authorize the Minnesota Concrete Council to confirm and/or release any information included on this application.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **REMEMBER TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING**

- Essay
- Transcript (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted.)
- Letter(s) of Recommendation
- Signed Application

Please send the completed application and requested documentation via e-mail to Priscilla Conway, Administrator of the Minnesota Concrete Council, no later than December 6, 2024. Priscilla's e-mail address is [pconway@mnconcretecouncil.com](mailto:pconway@mnconcretecouncil.com).