



Foundation, Inc.

Building Welding's Future through Education

Resistance Welder Manufacturers' Association Scholarship

Introduction

This scholarship was established in 2005 by the Resistance Welder Manufacturers' Association to perpetuate its legacy of support for welding education.

The RWMA was a trade association founded in 1936 to promote the technical and economic advantages of the resistance welding process. For 70 years, the members of the RWMA volunteered their time and pooled their resources to ensure that every opportunity was afforded to those individuals who had an interest in the resistance welding process.

This scholarship was established upon the dissolution of the RWMA in 2005, to commemorate the efforts of all those who had worked throughout the years to provide opportunities for learning. The Resistance Welder Manufacturers' Association Scholarship continues, under the direction of the AWS Foundation, to support students of the resistance welding process. The hope is that the scholarship recipients will learn to appreciate the simple elegance and robustness of the process, so that they can carry the message forward to the next generation.

Purpose

The purpose for this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to those individuals who express an interest in the resistance welding process while pursuing a career in welding engineering.

Eligibility

This scholarship is available to U. S. and Canadian citizens who are students majoring in Welding Engineering or Welding Engineering Technology, and express an interest in the resistance welding process. These students must be in good academic standing and meet the following criteria.

1. Junior level student in a four-year program only.
2. Applicant must register and attend a course in resistance welding.
3. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 overall grade point average.
4. Financial need is not required.

Deadline to Apply – January 15th of each calendar year

5. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or Canada, and be attending an accredited academic institution located within the United States or Canada.
6. Applicant must submit a completed application.
7. Applicant must provide an essay of 500 words or less about why the student wishes to become involved in the resistance welding industry.
8. Candidates must submit a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or an Academic Advisor using the RWMA Scholarship Recommendation form.
9. Candidates must submit a second letter of recommendation from another party, such as an employer, using the RWMA Scholarship Recommendation form.
10. Candidates must submit a personal statement to include the following information: demonstrated timeliness and completion of assignments, creativity in solving problems, demonstrated responsibility on own initiative, ability to work well with others, organization skills (ability to handle multiple tasks, time management), participation in class, campus and outside organizations, participation in AWS Student and Section activities, and career objectives.

Applicant does not have to be a member of the American Welding Society.

The AWS Foundation does not discriminate by age, race, color, national origin, disability, creed, or gender.

Selection

The recipients will be chosen by a Selection Committee comprised of five (5) members, selected by the Education Scholarship Committee.

The Selection Committee will determine award each Spring. The recipient will be announced at the National Awards Luncheon.

Awards

One \$2,500 award will be given annually. No recipient shall receive more than one AWS National Scholarship award per year.

No award will be paid to the recipient. All awards are for tuition and fees only, and will be paid directly to the academic institution by the AWS Foundation.

Application Information

Applicant must submit the following:

1. Application form
2. Two letters of reference **only** using the RWMA Scholarship Recommendation form – one from a faculty member or academic advisor, and one from another party such as an employer
3. Personal Statement
4. Official Transcript mailed directly to the AWS Foundation office from the university
5. Statement of Unmet Financial Need

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6. Verification of Enrollment

Please note: Recipients may be asked to submit a 5 x 7 head and shoulders color photograph for publicity purposes.

Deadline

Deadline for application is January 15th, for the following Fall term.

For More Information

AWS Foundation, Inc.
550 N. W. LeJeune Road
Miami, FL 33126
800-443-9353, extension 212
Fax – 305-443-7559

Resistance Welder Manufacturers' Association Scholarship Application

Deadline for Submission: January 15 for the following fall term
Application valid only for the 2009-2010 academic year
(Print in dark ink or type)

Please Return To:
AWS Foundation, Inc.
550 NW LeJeune Road
Miami, FL 33126

Social Security Number _____ Date _____ Are you an AWS member? Yes _____ No _____

Applicant's Name _____ Email Address _____

Current Address _____
Number Street Apt. No.

Home Phone Number () _____
City State Zip

Are you a U. S. Citizen? Yes _____ No _____ If no, Country _____ Are you at least 18 years of age? _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____
(If under 18 years of age)

Parent/Guardian's Address _____
Number Street Apt. No.

City State Zip

Parent/Guardian's Home Phone Number () _____ Parent/Guardian's Work Phone Number () _____

Are you employed? _____ Yes _____ No _____ If yes, **EMPLOYER'S NAME** _____

Employer's Address _____
Number Street Apt. No.

Employer's Phone Number () _____
City State Zip

NAME OF COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY _____

Address _____
Number Street

City State Zip

Contact at College/University _____ Phone Number () _____

Proposed Major Area of Study _____ Expected Date of Graduation _____

I affirm the information that I have (will) provided on this application, or any supportive materials, is (will be) complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that furnishing false information may result in not being considered or revocation of financial aid at some later date. **I understand that, if selected for a scholarship, you may use my photograph and/or testimonial for promotion and public relations purposes.**

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

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LIST OF SCHOOLS YOU PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED (From High School through the Present)

Name of School	Address	Date Attended

*** Attach a transcript from all previous institutions attended ***

DEMONSTRATED WELDING EXCELLENCE (Include School/community Activities/Honors & welding work experience)

Activity	Year	Offices & Honors

WORK EXPERIENCE (Include present and previous employment, and use additional paper if required)

Year	Company Name	Job Description (be specific)

FINANCIAL AID REPORT (List previous and current educational scholarships, grants, loans, work-study, or student employment)
Attach a copy of your Student Financial Aid Form even if no financial aid was received.

Date	Institution and Location	Type of Aid	Amount

LIST OF PERSONAL REFERENCES:

Name	Street/City/State/Zip	Occupation
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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Each package must include:

- Application
- Two letters of reference **only** using the RWMA Scholarship Recommendation form (one from a faculty member or academic advisor and one from another party, such as an employer)
- Personal Statement – Include the information below:
 - Demonstrated timeliness and completion of assignments
 - Creativity in solving problems
 - Demonstrated responsibility on own initiative
 - Ability to work well with others
 - Organizational skills (ability to handle multiple tasks, time management)
 - Participation in class, campus and outside organizations
 - Participation in AWS Student and Section activities
 - General Background information
 - Career Objectives
- **Original Official Transcript(s) sent directly from the college or university.** Forms printed from the college/university's website will not be accepted nor will student copies of transcripts.
- Verification of Enrollment (form attached) – must be completed by college or university.
- Statement of Unmet Financial Need (form attached) – must be completed by college or university even if no FAFSA was filed.
- **Essay** – Why I wish to become involved in the Resistance Welding Industry.

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Verification of Enrollment

Dear Admissions/Registrar:

This student is applying for a scholarship from the American Welding Society through the AWS Foundation. Please complete the information requested below for verification of the student's acceptance to this academic institution.

In addition, please verify the student's current enrollment status and total number of hours completed. This information should be included in the student's scholarship application package. Thank you.

AWS Foundation, Inc.

To be completed by Student:

I authorize the above requested information to be released to the AWS Foundation, Inc. in connection with my application for a National Scholarship.

Student

Academic Institution

Social Security Number

Date

To be completed by Admissions/Registrar:

Student

Academic Institution

Date of Acceptance to this Institution: _____

Is this student currently enrolled? _____ Is this student full time or part time? (circle one)

Course of study currently enrolled: _____

Number of Academic Hours Completed: _____

Is this student a junior? Yes _____ No _____

Signature _____

Title _____

Print Name _____

Telephone (_____) _____

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**STATEMENT OF UNMET FINANCIAL NEED
ATTENTION OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

This student is applying for a scholarship from the American Welding Society through the AWS Foundation. Please complete the information requested below for verification of the student's statement of unmet financial need, or attach an official letter from the Office of Financial Aid indicating the student's current budget, needs analysis, and financial aid awards, including scholarships. If this form is completed prior to FAFSA submission for the current year, information from last year may be used.

Thank You,
AWS Foundation, Inc.

To be completed by Student:

I authorize the above requested financial aid information to be released to the AWS Foundation in connection with my application for a National Scholarship.

Student Signature

Academic Institution

Social Security Number

Date

(over)

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Please return with the RWMA Scholarship Application form

RWMA Scholarship Recommendation Form

Please provide the following information on why you recommend this applicant to receive the RWMA Scholarship. Where there is a numerical score, 0 is the lowest and 10 is the highest.

Candidate's Name: _____

How long have you known this applicant? (months/years) _____

Candidate's ability to communicate: Verbal (0-10) _____

Written (0-10) _____

For use by Faculty or Academic Advisor

Attendance and participation in class (0-10) _____

Additional comments that would be beneficial to the Selection Committee:

* If additional space is required, please attach a separate sheet to this form.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Title: _____

Name of University/Company: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

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