

2018 Connie Sumara Memorial Scholarship

DUE DATE: JULY 13, 2018

AMOUNT OF AWARD: \$1,500 USD

This year the League of Railway Women's Connie Sumara Memorial Scholarship will award \$1,500 USD to a woman pursuing a graduate or undergraduate degree and seeking to further her career in the rail industry. The funds will be paid at the beginning of the Fall 2018 school year term following the applicant's selection and after receiving proof of enrollment. Distribution of funds will be administered by the LRW Scholarship Chair and disbursed to the suitable official of the recipient's institution.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
2. The applicant must be a female who is currently employed by a railroad or railway-related business (such as a supplier) for at least twelve months.
3. The applicant must be currently enrolled, at a minimum, as a part-time student (6 hours per spring and fall semester).
 - Applicants must be currently enrolled at an accredited/post-secondary institution leading to an Associate's, Bachelor's, or Master's Degree. The curriculum must be certified by an accepted accreditation board in the United States or Canada.
 - Applicants of any field of study may apply, though the degree will need to support the applicant's career in the rail industry.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- A. Completed LRW 2018 **Connie Sumara Memorial Scholarship** Application Form.
- B. Professional resume containing all full-or part-time work experience (including rail and non-rail experience), education information, community service, involvement in organizations and any other information the applicant feels would be relevant for the selection committee to consider.
- C. Certified college transcript from the school (or schools) attended. This must include college-level work completed through Spring semester 2018 to verify the applicant's full-time/part-time status. Official password protected transcript submissions from your university will be accepted.
- D. An email or written letter of recommendation from a rail industry colleague.
 - Emails must be sent from the industry colleague's work email address with their official company signature line. Letters of recommendation forwarded directly by the applicant, will not be accepted.
 - Written letters must be on company letterhead.
- E. Personal statement not exceeding 1,000 words. The essay topic is listed below:
How will your degree prepare you to better serve your community and the rail industry?
Highlight any leadership achievements and discuss why leadership skills are important for women in the rail industry.

To apply for this scholarship, please mail and/or email the information listed above and the completed scholarship application form to the LRW Scholarship Committee. With the exception of the letter of recommendation and official transcript, please mail or email all items together. Official password protected transcript submissions via email from your university will be accepted. All mailed items must be postmarked on or before July 13, 2018.

EVALUATION AND NOTIFICATION

The Scholarship Committee will base its evaluation for award on the material submitted, and a telephone interview, if required. The scholarship recipient will be notified by August 1, 2018 with distribution of funds to begin no later than the start of the Fall 2018 semester. Criteria for selection and award of scholarship will be based on the following:

Academic/Career Achievement (40%) Personal Statement (30%) Letter of Recommendation (30%)

Please send completed applications and all required documents by **JULY 13, 2018** via mail or email to:



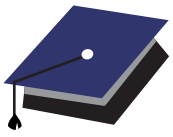
League of Railway Women
410 First Street SE, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20003
ATTN: LRW Scholarship Chair



Email Completed Application/Questions to:
Krista Leben at Scholarship@lriw.org

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1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

FULL NAME:		
PERMANENT ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE/PROVINCE:	ZIP/POSTAL CODE:
PHONE:	EMAIL:	

2. CAREER INFORMATION

COMPANY NAME:	JOB TITLE:	
COMPANY ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE/PROVINCE:	ZIP/POSTAL CODE:
# OF YEARS IN THE RAIL INDUSTRY:	MEMBER STATUS: <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Member <input type="checkbox"/> Employed by an LRW Corporate Partner	

3. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

NAME OF THE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION WHERE THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WILL BE APPLIED:				
CITY:	STATE/PROVINCE:	ZIP/POSTAL CODE:		
PURSUANT DEGREE:	ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE/YEAR:			
PLEASE LIST ANY OTHER COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, ETC., ATTENDED INCLUDING THE ONE CURRENTLY ENROLLED. ARRANGE IN SEQUENCE, LISTING YOUR CURRENT INSTITUTION FIRST. A SECOND PAGE MAY BE ATTACHED, IF NECESSARY.				
COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL AND STATE/PROVINCE	DATES OF ATTENDANCE (MONTH/YEAR)	DEGREE	DATE RECEIVED OR EXPECTED	GRADE POINT AVERAGE

I certify the information provided in this application is true and accurate. Additionally, if after receiving the League of Railway Women Scholarship I elect to substantially alter my proposed study plan, I will immediately notify the LRW Scholarship Committee in writing.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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