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**AMERICAN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOUNDATION**



**2007**

**Richard J. Bouchard AECOM**

**SCHOLARSHIP**

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*APTF TRANSIT HALL OF FAME SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS  
PROGRAM GUIDELINES*

The mission of the American Public Transportation Foundation (APTF) is to increase and retain the number of young professionals entering the public transportation field as a career in order to sustain growth and improvement throughout the industry. The following APTF Transit Hall of Fame Scholarship Awards Program provides scholarships to deserving students – the future leaders of the public transportation industry.

1. **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:** All member organizations of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) are given the opportunity to nominate and sponsor upper class or graduate level college students to receive *APTF Transit Hall of Fame Scholarships* awarded annually to assist with tuition costs or other educational expenses. Awards are for the academic year beginning in the 2007 fall semester. APTA member organizations must provide some type of an internship or supplemental education program for nominees. The internship or supplemental educational program can be provided at the sponsoring APTA member's organization or an assignee APTA member organization that agrees to serve that role.
2. **AWARDS:** The APTF will award this new scholarship of at least \$2500 for the following academic school year (fall semester) to an individual as follows:
  - ◆ The **Richard J. Bouchard AECOM Scholarship** – awarded to an applicant dedicated to a career in transportation planning and development.

Based on availability of funds, the awards may be renewable for each year of the academic program provided the recipients continue to: (1) maintain good standing in the approved fields of study, (2) be an active employee or a participant in an internship program or supplemental educational program sponsored by an APTA member organization or APTA member assignee, and (3) provide a written coordinator/mentor review from the sponsoring or assigned APTA member organization. If, for any reason, a student fails to maintain good academic standing, the course of study is interrupted, employment is severed, or the award winner is unable to obtain an acceptable public transportation internship or supplemental educational program from the sponsoring agency, the renewable award will be terminated.

Award winners also will receive a complimentary subscription to APTA's weekly newspaper, *Passenger Transport*, and a complimentary registration for major APTA meetings during their tenure in the program.

3. **ELIGIBILITY:** Applicants must be enrolled in a fully accredited institution, have and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA (B) in course work that is relevant to the industry or required of a degree program, and either be employed by or demonstrate a strong interest in entering the public transportation industry. College sophomores (30 hours or more satisfactorily completed), juniors, seniors, or those seeking advanced degrees may apply for scholarships.

**4. NOMINATIONS AND APPLICATIONS:** Any APTA member organization may nominate and sponsor candidates for the scholarship program. A completed application must be submitted and shall include the following:

- Relationship of nominee to nominating organization;
- Description of the internship activity or supplemental educational program of the nominee by the sponsoring APTA member organization or the APTA member organization to which the student will be assigned for their internship or supplemental educational program;
- Essay on “In what segment of the public transportation industry will you make a career and why?” (1,000 words maximum);
- Three letters of recommendation as described in the application form;
- A copy of completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA);
- Official school transcripts;
- Verification of enrollment for the 2007 fall semester; and
- Copy of the fee schedule from the college/university for the academic year.

**5. INTERNSHIP OR SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM:** This component is complementary to the scholarship program and should provide substantive training and professional development opportunities to individuals pursuing careers in public transportation through this program. The following guidelines are recommended to ensure that participants are given good exposure to the experiences that will prepare him/her for a public transportation career:

- Designation by the APTA member organization of a coordinator/mentor to be responsible for the guidance and mentoring of the participant’s program, including periodic review of the participant’s progress;
- Assignment of duties and activities in the internship/supplemental educational program offering career and professional growth opportunities; and
- Provision of the broadest possible exposure to all aspects of the public transportation industry.

**6. SELECTION:** The APTF Board of Directors will rate and select scholarship recipients and the essay winner. The selection criteria includes demonstrated interest in the public transportation industry as a career, academic achievement, essay content and quality, need for financial assistance, and involvement in extracurricular citizenship and leadership activities. Selection will be made without regard to disability, race, color, religion, sex or ethnic origin. It is the intent of this program to provide equal opportunity and consideration to all qualified individuals.

**7. TIMETABLE:** Scholarships are for the academic year beginning in the fall of 2007. All nominations must be received at APTA by June 15, 2007. Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered by the APTF Board of Directors. The APTF Board of Directors will select the recipients in July, and nominees will be appropriately notified of awards. Scholarship award winners will be presented at the 2007 APTA Annual Meeting, October 7-10, in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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## Richard J. Bouchard AECOM SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

2007 Application



*Application must be postmarked by  
June 15, 2007*

Return to:

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Fax: (202) 496-4323  
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### SECTION I - PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (other) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's summer address and phone (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

For purposes of helping us monitor the effectiveness of APTA's Diversity Plan, we would appreciate your completing the following information. Provision of information is voluntary and the information will be summarized for internal use only and will not be used in making scholarship determinations. You may check as many categories as apply.

Male: \_\_\_\_\_

Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Race:

1. Black: \_\_\_\_\_

4. American Indian: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Asian/Pacific Islander: \_\_\_\_\_

5. White: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Hispanic: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION II - ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name and address of college attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current degree program: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Entering 2007 fall semester as (check one): Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate Program \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received an APTF Scholarship? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_,  
If Yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Are you returning to school after some time off? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_,  
If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Grade point average: \_\_\_\_\_ (Enclose official transcript)

1) *Employment*: List names and addresses of places of employment since high school or last three employers.

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List current employment and current annual compensation.

Name of employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Salary or expected compensation: \_\_\_\_\_

2) *Financial Assistance*:

a) What are the anticipated costs (tuition, fees, etc.) for your academic year?

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b) Are you eligible for tuition benefits provided by your organization? If so, are you using this benefit to further your education for the coming academic year?

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c) List loans, grants, and/or stipends you currently are receiving or will receive in your next school year. Describe in detail (type of loan/grant/stipend; amount; time period covered) and include any relevant information explaining your need for financial assistance. **Please enclose a copy of your completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the fee schedule from the college/university for the academic year.**

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3) *Honors & Awards*: List any honors or awards received (academic or non-academic).

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4) *Extra-curricular Activities*: List activities in which you have participated (clubs, student government, community activities, athletics, school newspaper, band, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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5) *Other*: Note any other information concerning your college experience or civic activities you may want the APTF Board to consider.

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**SECTION III - RECOMMENDATIONS**

Provide three letters of recommendation which describe why the individuals think you are qualified for this scholarship. Be sure they include their name, address, and telephone number. Recommendations must not be solicited from relatives.

**SECTION IV – ESSAY**

Submit an essay (1,000 words maximum) on “In what segment of the public transportation industry will you make a career and why?” The essay should be typed and double-spaced.

**SECTION V – APPLICANT CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is correct.	
(Applicant’s Signature)	Date

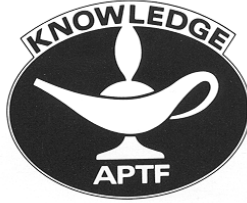
Please check all that apply. Please consider my application for the following scholarship award(s).

_____	Jack R. Gilstrap Scholarship
_____	Parsons Brinckerhoff - Jim Lammie Scholarship
_____	Louis T. Klauder Scholarship
_____	Dan M. Reichard, Jr. Scholarship
_____	Dr. George M. Smerk Scholarship

**SECTION VI – APTA NOMINATING/SPONSORING ORGANIZATION**

Attach a description of the relationship your nominee has with your organization, a description of the internship program or supplemental educational program for the nominee including how the applicant will be used in the organization and the name and phone number of the applicant’s coordinator/mentor. If there is an assignee organization for the internship or supplemental educational program, identify it and have the assignee organization describe the internship or supplemental educational program.

Name of APTA Member Organization: _____
Signed: _____ (General Manager/CEO) Date
Print Name: _____
Phone/E-mail: _____



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APTF Scholarship Checklist  
2007 Application**

**All sections (I-VI) of the scholarship application must be completed. Scholarship application must include the following:**

- A description of internship program or supplemental educational program from nominating/sponsoring organization for nominee describing how applicant will be used in the organization and contact information for applicant's coordinator/mentor.*
- A typed, double-spaced essay of 1,000 words or less on "In what segment of the public transportation industry will you make a career and why?"*
- Three (3) letters of recommendation from individuals explaining why you qualify for scholarship. Recommendations must not come from relatives.*
- A copy of completed Free Application for Student Aid Form (FAFSA).*
- Official college transcript.*
- Verification of enrollment for the 2007 fall semester.*
- Copy of the fee schedule from the college/university for the academic year.*

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_