

AWRF 2026 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Melissa Cerda
AWRF Scholarship
Lift All Co.

University of Houston – Clear Lake

Hello, my name is Melissa Cerda. I am a student at University of Houston-Clear Lake, I am currently studying graphic design while minoring in communications. I want to pursue graphic design because I see graphics as a universal language without speaking. I consider myself privileged to be a student and study what I love, an honor I owe to my father. My dad has taught me that I can accomplish whatever I imagine with hard work and perseverance, a value he has held up while raising me. My dad inspires me to be better and push through obstacles, I hope that someday I can make him proud. I have a lot to look forward to, and a lot to be grateful for. In the meantime, I will do my best to earn what has been given to me. As my semester begins, I will devote myself to acquiring new skills so that I can be a better designer.



Makaria Haas
AWRF Scholarship
Total Tool Supply

University of Wisconsin–La Crosse

Hello, my name is Makaria Haas, and I'm an incoming freshman at UW–La Crosse studying Finance. I've always been passionate about business, investing, and building a future where I can help others reach their financial goals. As I continue to grow in my career, I plan to keep people and relationships at the forefront of what I do. I want to use the knowledge I gain to help others and make a meaningful impact. I know my future holds so many possibilities, and I'm excited to see what I can build. I'm incredibly grateful to receive this scholarship, which will help me take the next step toward my education and future career! Believe in yourself and work harder than you think you can.



Sara Zamoski
AWRF Scholarship
Advantage Sales & Supply
Bucknell University

My name is Sara Zamoski, throughout high school I was an athlete, I played soccer, basketball, and track. I also participated heavily in student council, poetry out loud, envirothon, and the theater productions as a sound tech. I love to be outdoors, walking, reading, and stargazing. I am going to Bucknell University to major in chemical engineering and hope to apply my degree towards environmental protection.



Alexander Turpin
Robert H. Ashley Memorial Scholarship
Jergens, Inc.

University of Cincinnati

My name is Alexander Turpin, and I am from the Cleveland, Ohio area. I am entering my third year at the University of Cincinnati, where I am studying Mechanical Engineering. I am currently completing my second co-op rotation at Jergens Inc. as a design engineer on the LSG team. Outside of school and work, I enjoy working out, playing sports, and spending time with friends and family. After completing my bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Cincinnati, I hope to continue working in design engineering and eventually become more involved in research and development. I have really enjoyed the design side of engineering through both school and my co-op, and I hope to make that a major part of my career.



Gabrielle Kruszynski
The Don Sayenga
Memorial Scholarship
Mazzella (Cleveland, OH)
Ohio State University

Hi I am Gabi Kruszynski! I attend The Ohio State University and will be a sophomore this fall. I am studying nursing and health science. I compete on the Hunt Seat Equestrian Team and hold a position as the risk manager this year.



Michael Loncharich
Ronald J. Worswick Memorial Scholarship
John Sakash Co.
Ivy Tech

My name is Michael Loncharich, I'm 28 and I've been fabricating and inspecting overhead lifting equipment for almost a decade now including wire rope slings, chain slings, synthetic slings and various other lifting components. I wanted to expand my horizons by working toward a degree in Mechanical Engineering which goes hand in hand with what I already do for work. In my off time my favorite hobby is scuba diving, of which I currently have eight certifications in. I currently plan on furthering my education by getting an associate's and then a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and getting certified in commercial diving as well. Thank you to AWRF for selecting me as a recipient of the Ronald J. Worswick Memorial Scholarship, I'll do my best to make sure it doesn't go to waste.



Thomas Leyden
"The 16 Guys" Scholarship
Erin Rope Corporation
University of Iowa

I am from Frankfort, Illinois. I am a Freshman at the University of Iowa and am majoring in Finance. I like to hang out with friends, watch sports, and play golf and Lacrosse



Brooklynn Reid
Jurgen Prohaska Memorial Scholarship
Kennedy Wire Rope & Sling
Highlands College

My name is Brooklynn Reid and I am attending Highlands College. I am going to school for Global Ministry, I hope to graduate and live a fully submitted life for and with the Lord. I hope to go into mission work and share the story, love, and hope of Jesus. Above all else I truly just want to seek the Lord's beautiful, perfect, and everlasting presence. I am so thankful for this scholarship to help me become prepared for the life I am meant to live!



Kenley Farris
The Bill Franz Memorial Scholarship
Mazzella (Dallas, TX)
Southeastern University

My name is Kenley Farris. My parents are Kirk and Becky Farris. I am from Waxahachie, Texas and I graduated top 2% in my class from Waxahachie High School in 2025. I am currently a Junior attending Southeastern University in Lakeland, Florida with a major in Christian Ministry. I attend student chapels three times a week and participate within the prayer team, campus volunteering, and mission trips. This summer I was an intern in the Oaks Kids department of the Oaks Church. I plan to pursue a career in Children's/Women's Ministry in the local church.



Madelyn Danz
NACM Scholarship
Harrington Hoists
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Over the next two years, I plan to continue my education at Indiana University of PA and work towards receiving a degree in Marketing with a minor in Human Resources. After graduation I hope to get a job in Human Resources.



Breanna Cooper
Green Pin Scholarship
Mazzella (Virginia Beach, VA)
University of North Carolina Wilmington

My name is Breanna Cooper, and I am from Camden, North Carolina. I am currently pursuing my nursing degree at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. Although I love challenging myself both academically and professionally, I also really enjoy my free time. I love traveling, doing yoga, spending time outdoors, and making memories with my family and friends. With the help of this scholarship, I plan to work towards my goal of building a future where I can combine the things I love with a career that I am passionate about. My goal is to earn my Bachelor of Science in Nursing and become a registered nurse. After gaining experience as a nurse, I plan to continue my education and eventually become a nurse practitioner, or possibly a midwife.



Isabella Freund
Yoke Scholarship
Boise Rigging Supply
University of Idaho

Hello, my name is Isabella Freund, and I'm currently attending the University of Idaho in Moscow to study microbiology, biochemistry, and pre-med. So far, my educational plans are to get a bachelor's degree in STEM (as you could probably guess by my majors), and either find a career in forensic science or the medical field. If I go the forensic science route, I would like to work with the Idaho State Police, where I would specialize in DNA analysis. Once I get some experience, I could go back to school and get a master's or doctorate in molecular biology. However, if I take the medical route, I am going to try to go to medical school to become a physician who specializes in emergency medicine. The reason I chose that specialty is because of how much I loved being a volunteer EMT. Either way, no matter what career path or education level I choose, in the end, I am grateful to the Associated Wire Rope Fabricators for gifting me this scholarship because it allows me to chase my dreams without having to worry about finances as much.

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Aubin Adams
Mel Fireovid Trade Scholarship
DCL Mooring & Rigging
University of New Orleans

My name is Aubin Adams, and I am a student at the Louisiana State University of New Orleans studying Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering with a minor in Business Administration.

I have developed a strong interest in the marine, offshore, and engineering industries through both my education and work experience. My work experience has given me an appreciation for the importance of safety, reliability, and teamwork in the maritime and offshore industries. I am grateful to receive the AWRF scholarship, which will help me continue my education and pursue my career goals. I plan to complete my degree at the Louisiana State University of New Orleans and continue building my experience in the marine and offshore industries. My long-term goal is to use my engineering education and practical experience to contribute to the design, operation, and improvement of marine and offshore systems.



Chloe Economou
Oliver Crosby & Edwin Harrington
Scholarship
Mazzella (Bartow, Florida)
Florida State University

My name is Chloe Economou and I am a sophomore at Florida State University pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing with minors in

Child Development and Psychology. I have always been passionate about helping others and making a difference in people's lives, which is what ultimately led me to pursue a career in nursing. Outside of the classroom, I am involved in my FSU community as an Undergraduate Research Assistant, a member of Delta Gamma, as well as the Student Nurses Association. I have also gained experience in healthcare through hospital volunteering and other opportunities that have allowed me to learn more about patient care and the nursing profession. My future goal is to become a nurse practitioner specializing in pediatrics. I hope to continue my education after earning my BSN and attend nurse practitioner school so I can provide compassionate, patient-centered care to children and their families. I am incredibly grateful for the support of the Associated Wire Rope Fabricators and the Oliver Crosby & Edwin Harrington Scholarship, which will help me continue working toward these goals.

TRADE SCHOLARSHIP



Addisyn Villegas
AWRF Trade Scholarship
Kennedy Wire Rope & Sling
Del Mar College

My name is Addisyn Villegas, and after completing a four-year dental program my high school offered, I've recently become a Registered Dental Assistant as a graduating senior. This program gave me an early passion for healthcare and my plan is to attend Del Mar College and apply to the Dental Hygienist program. This program is highly competitive, but my goal is to maintain all As to get into the program. I'm very grateful to have been chosen to receive this scholarship and will use it toward my upcoming semesters to further my education in dentistry. In my spare time, I enjoy hanging out with my friends and family and staying active playing adult kickball.

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