



## CIM MAINTENANCE, ENGINEERING AND RELIABILITY (MERS) SOCIETY

### MERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The CIM Maintenance, Engineering and Reliability Society MERS Memorial Scholarship was created in 2017 and is awarded each year in remembrance of one or more of the Society's individuals who have attracted prominence and recognition for contributions and service to the activities of the CIM MERS Society.

In 2016 the CIM Diversity and Inclusion best practice guidelines articulated the goal that *Diversity* become an ingrained value systemic of the CIM and the mining industry as a whole. Consequently in 2017 the MERS Society decided that MERS Memorial scholarship should be used to strengthen the opportunities for access and inclusion to the industry, via a post-secondary education pathway for awardees, so that diversity within the Canadian mining industry and associated industries is improved.

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| <b>Name of Scholarship</b>  | MERS Memorial Scholarship  |
| <b>Type of Scholarship</b>  | Access and/or maintenance scholarship for academically excellent post-secondary students, non-renewable  |
| <b>Value of Scholarship</b> | \$4,000 payable around January / February of the academic year for which the award is made. In order to receive the award, the recipient must provide an official communication from their institution confirming successful completion of the fall semester.                |
| <b>Eligibility</b>          | This scholarship is open to any CIM National member (including student members), or the son, daughter or spouse of a CIM National member, enrolled, full time, at any Canadian post-secondary institution, following a program of relevance to the Canadian mining industry. |

Note: CIM National membership is open to students from a very broad range of degree disciplines, including those that extend well beyond science and engineering. Students, and prospective students can join the CIM online at:  
<https://portal.cim.org/mpower/cim/membership/apply-for-individual>

## CIM MERS Scholarships Eligibility Matrix

| Scholarship                                    | Ken Hildebrandt | MERS Centennial | MERS Memorial | J.D. "Pat" Patterson Memorial | Edward Melville (Ed) Patton Memorial |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| CIM Member or spouse or son/daughter of Member | YES             | YES             | YES           | YES                           | YES                                  |
| Canadian post-secondary institution            | NO              | NO              | YES           | NO                            | YES                                  |
| Entrance scholarship only                      | NO              | NO              | NO            | YES                           | NO                                   |
| Open to graduate students                      | NO              | NO              | NO            | NO                            | YES                                  |
| MERS disciplines only                          | NO              | YES             | NO            | YES                           | NO                                   |
| Must be full time student                      | YES             | YES             | YES           | YES                           | YES                                  |

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about CIM MERS Scholarships

What is an entrance scholarship?

It is a scholarship for a person that has entered, or is entering their first year of post-secondary education. Do not apply for an entrance scholarship if you are entering, or are in, the second or subsequent year of your post-secondary education

What are the MERS disciplines?

The MERS disciplines constitute engineering or technologist level studies in Mechanical, Civil, Electrical, Electronics, Instrumentation, Chemical, Computer Sciences, Material Sciences, Manufacturing and related disciplines. If you are studying Mining Engineering, you may wish to consider applying to one of the other scholarships instead.

I am a post-graduate student. Can I apply?

Yes. The Edward Melville (Ed) Patton scholarship will accept your application as a graduate student, however this award is not only for graduate students. Students doing an undergraduate project can apply too.

What if I am not current a CIM Member?

If you are not currently a CIM member, you can still apply for a scholarship if one of your parents, or your spouse is a CIM National member already. If this does not apply to you then you can join the CIM online at: <https://portal.cim.org/mpower/cim/membership/apply-for-individual>

I am currently on a co-op. Can I apply?

In order to be eligible for a CIM MERS scholarship you must be registered as a full-time student. Co-op placements that are an official / formal part of a degree program normally require registration with your post-secondary institution as if you were going to be present for taught classes.

What is a post-secondary institution?

In Canada, a post-secondary institution refers to an educational institution that provides education beyond high school (secondary school). These institutions offer a range of programs leading to degrees, diplomas, and certificates. 'Post-secondary institution' does not just mean 'University', means Colleges and Trade Schools too.

**Required Application Information**

- Applicant's name, address, telephone number and email address
- CIM membership number or parent's or spouse's membership number
- Proof of enrolment at a post-secondary institution in Canada
- Transcript of marks from post-secondary institution, or if at the stage of having just entered a post-secondary institution, transcript of secondary education marks
- Personal statement detailing how and why you have decided to follow your post-secondary program and how the scholarship, if awarded, will assist you in developing your career within the Canadian mining industry and/or related industries. (max. 2 pages)
- In your application please clearly respond to the following question: "If the MERS Memorial Scholarship is awarded to you, how will this help the CIM achieving its Diversity and Inclusion objectives?" (max. ½ page)

**Basis of Award**

Satisfaction of eligibility criteria  
Scholastic achievement and excellence  
Calibre of personal statement  
Answer to question above

**Application Deadline**

October 31<sup>st</sup> of the application year

**Address for submissions**

Submit by email to:  
[MER Scholarships@cim.org](mailto:MERS_Scholarships@cim.org)

**Advertising**

CIM Magazine, CIM Reporter, Post  
Secondary Institution's Calendars, CIM  
web site

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### **SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

After completing the form on the following pages, please save them (only) as a pdf file. Compile all required annexes, including scanned documents, as pdf files.

Then, combine all the pdf files into a single pdf file, ensuring the application comes first and name the compiled file according to the following format:

YYYY\_MERS\_Memorial\_YourSurname\_YourFirstNames.pdf.

For example, if Wayne Gretzky was making an application in October 2025, then the file would have been named:

2025\_MERS\_Memorial\_Gretzky\_Wayne.pdf

The size of the compiled pdf file should not exceed 5MB.

Then, submit your application to the following email address:

[MER\\_Scholarships@cim.org](mailto:MER_Scholarships@cim.org)

with the text:

MERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

in the subject line of the email.

Do this before:

23:59 Eastern Standard Time on 31<sup>st</sup> October of the current academic year.

If you are selected for an award, you will be contacted by our scholarships coordinator who will ask you to confirm your post-secondary registration status and for additional personal details, such as a head and shoulders photograph for award announcement purposes, a void cheque so you can be paid and your Social Insurance Number so that we can inform the Canada Revenue Agency of your award.

## MERS Memorial Scholarship

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| <b>Surname</b>  |  |
| <b>First name(s)</b>  |  |
| <b>Summary biographical statement</b>   |  |
| In the box below, provide a summary biographical statement. If your application is successful, this statement will be used to describe you in the CIM Magazine. |  |
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| <b>Your contact details</b> |           |           |
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|                             | Permanent | Term-time |
| Address 1                   |           |           |
| Address 2                   |           |           |
| City                        |           |           |
| Postcode                    |           |           |
| Province                    |           |           |
| Country                     |           |           |
| Landline phone              |           |           |
| Mobile phone                |           |           |
| Email address               |           |           |

| <b>CIM Membership</b>  |  |
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| In the four boxes immediately below, enter the details of the CIM Member representing your application. If the member is you, enter "Self" where relevant and provide your own membership details. Students of all disciplines can join the CIM <a href="#">here</a> . |  |
| Member name  |  |
| Relation to applicant  |  |
| Membership number  |  |
| Name of <a href="#">Branch or Society</a>  |  |

## NECESSARY INFORMATION

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| <b>Eligibility Checklist</b>  |  |
| Please review the eligibility criteria for this scholarship very carefully before responding. Then answer yes or no to the following questions. All questions must be answered. |  |
| Is your current Institution located in Canada?  |  |
| Are you entering your Institution (are you in the first year)?  |  |
| Are you following a graduate degree?  |  |
| Have you checked the CIM MERS Scholarships Eligibility Matrix and FAQs to ensure you are eligible to apply to this scholarship?   |  |
| Are you a full time student?  |  |

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| <b>Your post-secondary institution</b> |  |
| Institution Name                       |  |
| Student registration number            |  |
| Department                             |  |
| Departmental Chair Name                |  |
| Department Address                     |  |
| Department Telephone                   |  |
| Department Fax                         |  |
| Your program/course title              |  |
| Your year of study                     |  |

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| <b>Application Annexes</b>  |  |
| Please answer yes or no to the following questions. All questions must be answered. |  |
| Have you provided proof of enrolment at your Institution?                           |  |
| Have you provided a transcript of your marks?                                       |  |
| Have you provided a personal statement?   |  |
| Is this statement less than 2 pages of letter-sized paper in length?                |  |
| Have you answered the Diversity & Inclusion question?                               |  |
| Is this answer less than ½ page of letter-sized paper in length?                    |  |

**Personal Statement (Page 1 of 2)** (Do not change font or font size)

**Personal Statement (Page 2 of 2)** (Do not change font or font size)



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