

Allan Widger Consulting Corporation Grant for Young Geotechnical Engineers in Transportation

Awarded annually, the Allan Widger Consulting Corporation Grant supports a young geotechnical engineer in transportation to attend and participate in the annual conference and exhibition as well as the fall and spring technical meetings of the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC).



GRANT

The grant provides up to \$5000 to one young professional each year and will be awarded as a travel stipend; costs up to \$3500 will be reimbursed after the fall conference and costs up to \$1500 will be reimbursed after the spring meetings. The grant recipient will attend the Pavements Standing Committee and the Soils and Materials Standing Committee meetings in the fall, followed by the TAC Conference and Exhibition. The recipient will also attend the Pavements Standing Committee and the Soils and Materials Standing Committee meetings the following spring. The recipient may attend other open TAC meetings that may be of interest.

Past grant recipients can re-apply but will be considered only if presenting in a session at the TAC conference.

Costs eligible for reimbursement, up to the fall \$3500 / spring \$1500 limit, are:

- Conference registration (at TAC's Young Professional rate)
- Companion program registration
- Travel costs (economy airfare/train/bus/car mileage) for grant recipient and companion
- Ground transportation (to/from airport)
- Hotel accommodations



ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, a candidate must:

- Be no more than 35 as of December 31 in the year the grant is awarded;
- Hold a graduate degree in Geotechnical (or equivalent) Engineering;
- Be currently employed with at least three years of experience in the transportation field;
- Commit to attend the spring and fall technical meetings of the Pavements and Soils and Materials Standing Committees as well as the TAC Conference and Exhibition;
- Commit to submit a one-page report following the conference and spring meetings, suitable for publication on TAC's website/social media, with event highlights and comments about how participation may potentially benefit professional development.



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Interested candidates should submit, by June 15, 2018, a résumé and one or two page letter summarizing her/his work accomplishments, reasons for wanting to attend the TAC meetings and conference, and the anticipated benefits of doing so.



REVIEW PROCEDURES AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

A selection committee will evaluate all applications and select the most suitable candidate. The selection committee reserves the right to not award the grant in any given year.

The recipient will be contacted by July 3rd in order to plan travel and register to attend the fall meetings and the TAC Conference and Exhibition.

For more information or to submit an application for the **Allan Widger Consulting Corporation Grant for Young Geotechnical Engineers in Transportation**, contact:

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