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## MARTIN E. GEREL MEMORIAL UNION SCHOLARSHIP 2017

Dear Applicant:

The MARTIN E. GEREL MEMORIAL UNION SCHOLARSHIP offers an award of \$5,000 to study, full-time at the school of the winner's choice. Applicants should have plans for financial arrangements to cover subsequent years of schooling. *Important:* To apply, you must be enrolled in a college, university or trade school by Fall 2017 to be eligible for this award.

Enclosed are the forms and instructions necessary to apply for this Scholarship. It is, of course, necessary to pay careful attention to the instruction sheet. The deadline for submission is **April 21, 2017**. All applications and supporting documents will not be accepted if postmarked after April 21, 2017.

Selection will be based on an evaluation of academic ability, a statement of goals, participation in extracurricular activities (including community work) and/or employment. A committee of volunteers from the participating unions will screen the applications. Union affiliations of the applicants will be anonymous to the volunteers. Ultimately, an outside source will make the final selection. The law firm of ASHCRAFT & GEREL, LLP will not participate in the selection process. This is an equal opportunity scholarship. The award process is to be conducted without regard to race, gender, religion, age or handicap.

The law firm of ASHCRAFT & GEREL, LLP wishes you the best of luck in all of your educational pursuits.

Very truly yours,  
SCHOLARSHIP OFFICE

**MARTIN E. GEREL MEMORIAL UNION SCHOLARSHIP**  
**2017**  
**INSTRUCTION SHEET**

There are six sheets enclosed (including this one and the cover letter). Please make sure your packet is complete.

Please TYPE or WRITE CLEARLY - NEATNESS AND PRESENTATION IS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. Please do not use staples. If there is insufficient space for your response, attach a separate sheet.

Remember. All applications and supporting documents will not be accepted if postmarked after **April 21, 2017.**

Send your application and have all other information sent to:

**Ashcraft & Gerel, LLP**  
**Scholarship Office**  
**4900 Seminary Road, Suite 650**  
**Alexandria, VA 22311**

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**1. APPLICATION FORM & CERTIFICATION.** Fill out completely and have an official of the union verify membership. Your application cannot be considered without verification of your membership connection.

**2. STATEMENT OF GOALS.** Prepare a concise statement (300 to 500 words) of your professional goals explaining why you are interested in your chosen career and how you intend to use your training. If you have not decided on a career path, discuss why you believe higher education is important for your future.

**3. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.** Obtain letters of recommendation from two persons who are in a position to evaluate your ability, performance and potential for success. Please ask that these recommendations be sent directly to the scholarship office and indicate the deadline.

**4. DOCUMENTATION.** Please arrange to have all relevant transcripts of grades, SAT, ACT or Entrance Exam scores sent to the scholarship office. If you have not been in school for a long time, performance evaluations and other evidence of your abilities will be accepted. Our scholarship is offered to a broad group of people at various levels of life, and the volunteer screening committee will take into consideration different background experiences in their evaluation. However, you must send some evidence of ability beyond letters of recommendation.

**5. PROOF OF PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE.** Only the scholarship winner needs to show acceptance into a college or program.

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**APPLICATION**

NAME:	LAST 4 DIGITS OF SSN:
ADDRESS:	PHONE #:
HOME ADDRESS: (if different)	PHONE #:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
HIGH SCHOOL(S), COLLEGE(S) OR TRAINING PROGRAM:	
1. NAME:	2. NAME:
ADDRESS:	ADDRESS:
DEGREE(S) OBTAINED OR EXPECTED:	DATE(S):
AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, ACADEMIC AWARDS: (COPIES NOT NECESSARY)	
EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:	
EMPLOYMENT SINCE (or during) HIGH SCHOOL:	

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UNION MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATION

**\*\*This certification must be signed by a *union official*.\*\***

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is a  
member in good standing of Local # \_\_\_\_\_ Union \_\_\_\_\_.

Union Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's relationship to union member:

- |            |                          |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Self       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Spouse     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Child      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Step-Child | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Grandchild | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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2017**

**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

**RECOMMENDATION FOR:**

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

The student above is applying for the Martin E. Gerel Memorial Union Scholarship 2017. In the space below, please provide us with your evaluation of the candidate's scholastic ability and potential for success. Any factors, such as employment, community experience or personal motivation that you feel would be relevant to the Scholarship Committee's evaluation would be greatly appreciated. (If there is insufficient space below for your response, kindly attach another sheet.)

Please postmark your response no later than the **April 21, 2017** deadline directly to:

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