

2025 Tedric A. Harris Bearing Industry Scholarship Program Application

In honor of Professor Tedric A. Harris, ABMA established a scholarship program for interns and co-ops at ABMA member companies in 2011. Each year, the association selects two exemplary interns or co-ops who have demonstrated keen interest in the bearing industry. The deadline to submit an application and supplemental materials is **September 26, 2025**.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS

Applicants must be an undergraduate student at a college or university, having completed at least two years of courses in ABET accredited engineering curriculum with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Applicants must have completed an internship at an ABMA member company* in the 2024 year or Spring 2025.

Applicants must submit the following items:

- Completed ABMA scholarship application
- An essay upon completion of the internship describing your experience, work performed, and how you benefited from the placement
- Letter of recommendation and signature from your internship supervisor
- Undergraduate transcript
- Up to date resume or curriculum vitae

All applications must be submitted to ABMA by September 26, 2025.

*A list of all current ABMA member companies can be found on the ABMA website at https://www.americanbearings.org/page/memberlisting.

REVIEWING CRITERIA

Submissions will be reviewed by the ABMA Education Committee and rated according to the academic achievements of the candidate, letter of recommendation, and completion of supporting documentation.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

ABMA Education Committee will select two applicants to receive \$2,500 scholarships each toward their education. All checks will be made payable to the school only and mailed to the registrar of the selected school.





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Applications and supporting documents must be submitted by **September 26, 2025.** You may submit your application and supporting documents to the American Bearing Manufacturers Association's Education Manager, Stephanie Smialek, via email at smialek@americanbearings.org. Please use email subject line: **ABMA Scholarship Application**.

Section 1: Applicant's Internship Supervisor Information		
ABMA Member Company Name:	Telephone:	
Address, City, State and Zip:		
Name of Supervisor:	Email Address:	
	Signature of Applicant's Internship Supervisor	
Sectio	on 2: Applicant Information	
Name of Applicant:		
Telephone:	Email:	
Address, City, State and Zip:		
Present Age: Date of Birth:	Social Security Number: GPA:	
Name of University Currently Attending:		
Parent of Legal Guardian Name:		
In what extracurricular activities have you participactivities, athletics, etc):	ated in while attending school? (Student clubs or activities, commun	ity
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ABOUT PROFESSOR HARRIS

Throughout his productive career, Professor Tedric A. Harris made outstanding contributions to the bearing industry both as a professor in Mechanical Engineering and in private industry. Professor Harris was a role model and mentor for numerous young engineers in the bearing field and many of these have become leaders in the field through their work with their Universities, companies and the American Bearing Manufacturers Association.

Professor Harris received both his B.S. and M.S. in mechanical engineering from Penn State University where he was appointed as a professor of mechanical engineering.



As an employee for SKF USA Inc. and AB SKF, Professor Harris' key positions included Managing Director of the SKF Engineering & Research Center in the Netherlands and in the United States, Vice President of Product Technology and Quality, President of SKF Tribonetics, and Vice President of Engineering and Research for MRC Bearings.

ABOUT ABMA

Founded in 1917, the American Bearing Manufacturers Association (ABMA) provides leadership, advocacy and education about issues impacting the global bearing industry. ABMA's members include manufacturers of bearings and finished components as well as suppliers to the bearing industry.