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Ryerson University student Monica Kwong selected as the 2016 CEMF Rona Hatt Chemical Engineering Award Winner

(Renfrew, Ontario): A new ambassador and role model for women in engineering has joined the illustrious list of Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation scholarship recipients. The Foundation is proud to announce that Monica Kwong, a Chemical Engineering student at Ryerson University is the recipient of the CEMF Rona Hatt Chemical Engineering Ambassador Award.

This \$5,000 scholarship is awarded in memory of Rona Hatt, the first known woman in Canada to become a chemical engineer. This will be awarded annually to the most promising woman studying chemical engineering.

Monica Kwong is a third year Chemical Engineering student at Ryerson University. She is passionate about promoting the many opportunities engineering can provide to young women to provide a positive impact on our society. By being involved in a number of school clubs and organizations, Monica is able to fulfill her passion and promote science.

“As a future engineer, my goal is to ensure that my work will provide a positive impact on our society. I believe many women have a similar motive when choosing a career path, but they are just not aware of how they use this motive for engineering. As an ambassador, I would like to show them the many opportunities one can do with engineering.” Says Ms. Kwong

Since 1990, the Foundation has been promoting engineering as a career choice for young Canadian women through its extensive scholarship program, a website that attracts thousands of new visitors a month, social media programming, and scholarship winner presentations to high school students.

Ms. Kwong will receive her scholarship certificate at the CEMF *Awards Dinner* in September in Ottawa.

“It is a privilege for my colleagues on the Foundation Board and me to review the applications to our awards. Each year I am impressed with the breadth of experience and the accomplishments of all of the applicants. The winners are truly exceptional in terms of their contribution to society and have all already demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism,” says Deborah Wolfe, P.Eng., CEMF President. “Our awards will help them move that volunteerism in a direction of encouraging more young women to consider engineering as a future career. We are all very proud that you are our 2016 ambassadors – congratulations!”

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For more information or for interviews with any of the scholarship recipients, please contact CEMF at 1-866-883-2363, info@cemf.ca, www.cemf.ca.