



## 20 Years of Supporting Women in Engineering CEMF Announces the AMEC Master's Scholarship Winner

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**(Renfrew, Ontario):** As we mark our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation is thrilled and proud to announce the winner of the 2010 AMEC Master's Scholarship. This remarkable woman was chosen as one of the most promising female engineering students at the master's level in Canada and is a strong role model for the engineering profession.

**Julie Ladiges of Komoka, Ontario** has been selected as the winner of the 2010 \$10,000 AMEC Master's Scholarship in Engineering.

Ms. Ladiges is currently enrolled at the **University of Western Ontario** completing a Master of Engineering Science degree in digital signal processing and hearing science. Specifically she is working on an electroacoustic measurement suite for hearing aids. In addition to her professional pursuits she is involved in a variety of volunteer and extracurricular activities. She is a leader in the student government and has contributed to Western's Engineering Society in a variety of positions. Julie is also involved in the Go Eng Girl outreach program as a peer mentor and she is "proud to have given many girls the knowledge, confidence, and opportunities required to consider engineering, and to succeed as an engineer."

"We are excited and proud to be marking our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, and celebrating the over 100 Canadian women who have been awarded undergraduate, master's and PhD scholarships along with the over 600 applicants who have strived to win one of our scholarships since 1990," says president Suzelle Barrington. "Our 2010 winners join an elite group of women who are role models and ambassadors for the profession. To Julie, on behalf of the Board of Directors and our judges, congratulations! We look forward to celebrating your achievement in Vancouver in May."

Along with the scholarship, Ms. Ladiges will receive an expense-paid trip as a guest of AMEC to the CEMF Annual Awards Luncheon in Vancouver at the Annual General Meeting of Engineers Canada being held on May 28, 2010.

"At AMEC our goal is to engage and encourage a new generation of engineers," says Marcin Freyberg, AMEC Director, Human Resources. "The AMEC scholarship is a way for us to show our continued commitment to the education and development of young Canadian engineering talent. Ms. Ladiges' work in the area of hearing science with the goal of helping those with hearing loss is to be admired and we hope that with the help of this scholarship she continues to aspire to excellence in all that she does."

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

The Foundation provides a total of 13 scholarships every year at all university degree levels.

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