Yasmine Laferrière, Hatch Undergraduate

I am Yasmine Laferrière, a Civil Engineering Student at McGill University entering my last year. It is a special honor to receive the Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation scholarship in recognition of my dedicated work in promoting women in engineering and my accomplishments in my engineering studies.

I consider myself very lucky to have been surrounded by incredible women that have supported me. The help of fellow women in engineering is really a big reason for me being where I am. I believe having this community is key to increasing the long-term presence of women in the engineering field. I would like to thank the CEMF for encouraging and supporting us through these recognitions and helping shed barriers.

Winning this scholarship means a lot to me. It is an acknowledgment of my efforts and the work I have accomplished over the last three years, mainly with the student body POWE (Promoting Opportunities for Women in Engineering). From mentoring younger students to organizing conferences. The place of women in engineering is a cause that I am passionate about.

Being an ambassador for the Canadian Engineering Memorial Foundation provides me with great motivation entering my last year of engineering studies. This incredible opportunity will allow me to keep promoting diversity within engineering and inspire younger women to join the profession. This scholarship helps amplify my voice. I am looking forward to entering the workforce and continuing to promote future and fellow women in engineering.

Thank you to the CEMF and Hatch for this scholarship, I am grateful, and it gives me great hopes for the future.