



## **Faculty Continuing Education Grant**

### **Goals/Purpose:**

- Encourage mechanical construction contractors, mechanical service contractors, plumbing contractors and/or those companies that supply products and services to the mechanical contracting industry (hereinafter referred to as “the industry”) to employ a faculty member during the summer months or otherwise on a part-time basis by subsidizing his/her salary with a Faculty Continuing Education Grant.
- Provide a mutually beneficial opportunity to strengthen the relationship between the industry and academics.
- Enhance the students’ learning experience in the classroom as a result of the faculty member’s knowledge/experience gained and shared from working in the industry.
- Increase the faculty member’s awareness of the various opportunities available to student interns, co-ops, and new hires in the industry which will lead to promoting and encouraging students to enter the industry as a career choice.
- Provide faculty members with an opportunity to learn emerging technology, trends, and industry best practices.
- Potential to provide an MCAA member company with project management assistance if current employee resources are not available.

### **Suggested Areas of Assistance:**

- Provide project management, estimating, scheduling, and proposal preparation assistance.
- Develop specific case study(s) relevant to the sponsoring company.
- Develop and/or assist with training programs and materials.

### **Grant Selection Process:**

- Faculty candidate is responsible for selecting the sponsoring company.
- Faculty candidate is responsible for negotiating their salary which would be subsidized by the continuing education grant.
- Faculty candidate is required to submit a grant application for review and approval by the MCAA Career Development Committee to include:
  - Sponsoring company name and contact person, telephone number and email address
  - Description of proposed activities while with the company
  - Brief narrative of how this opportunity will benefit the sponsoring company, faculty member/institution, and promote the industry to students.
- Sponsoring company must be an MCAA member.
- Faculty candidate must be at an institution with an established MCAA Student Chapter
- Grant proceeds will be paid directly to the faculty member.
- Faculty candidate must complete a survey regarding his/her employment experience prior to the issuance of the grant funds.

### **Due Date:**

Rolling Deadline

### **Grant Amount:**

The MCAA Career Development Committee will determine the grant amount to be awarded to approved applicants.

### **For More Information or to Submit a Grant Application:**

Please contact MCAA's Director, Career Development, [Harlee Mooney](#) via email or at 301-990-2219.