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The DeArmond Manufacturing Fellows Scholarship will provide a distinctive, four-year educational experience, designed to develop exceptionally talented students. In addition to engagement with experienced and knowledgeable faculty at Oregon Tech, awardees will learn from practicing professionals and respond to industry needs, contributing to Oregon's innovative, advanced manufacturing workforce.

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About DeArmond Foundation

The Robert J. and Leona DeArmond Foundation was established in 2010 by Robert J. and Leona DeArmond. A seven-member board of trustees governs the Foundation and awards grants for charitable purposes in Oregon.

Bob and Leona are believers in education. They have been impressed by the students and programs at Oregon Tech, and really liked the idea of mixing the practical learning education and matching it with business and industry to create a special, hands-on learning opportunity for students.

About OMIC R&D

OMIC R&D is an applied manufacturing research and innovation center located in Scappoose, Oregon offering a unique collaborative environment bringing together industry, higher education, and government in partnership to advance manufacturing technologies and applications, and to overcome the short & long-term production challenges identified by the industry. Since it was formally launched in 2017, OMIC R&D has developed advanced technical training and advanced manufacturing master classes. OMIC R&D has also engaged with local high schools and the PCC OMIC Training Center to inspire high school students to pursue careers in manufacturing, as well as working to develop unique training approaches with emerging technologies. Ultimately, OMIC R&D is there to help manufacturers to succeed now and into the future.

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DeArmond Scholarship and Internship Information



Having the opportunity to be a part of the DeArmond Fellow scholarship allowed me to approach my time at Oregon Tech in a fundamentally different manner than I would have otherwise.

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- **Trent LaMont '23**, DeArmond Fellow - Cohort 1
Additive Solutions Researcher, OMIC R&D

DeArmond Scholarship and Internship Information

The DeArmond Manufacturing Fellows Scholarship provides 4 students with the opportunity to receive a generous \$20,000 scholarship per year for up to four years* to cover tuition and fees at Oregon Tech in pursuing a degree in manufacturing or mechanical engineering. The DeArmond Fellowship also includes a prestigious internship for the four years of the scholarship at the OMIC R&D facility in Scappoose, Oregon**. During the internship, DeArmond fellows will work collaboratively with OMIC R&D researchers as they engage in hands-on, state of the art projects that involve manufacturing companies from Oregon, the US, and around the world. DeArmond Fellows will have the opportunity to experience OMIC R&D's unique collaborative environment and world-class research equipment.

^{*}Students will be eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years. Annual renewability is dependent upon available grant funding and the student meeting all renewal requirements of the scholarship, including satisfactory participation in the internship.

^{**}The OMIC R&D internship for DeArmond Fellows is a 12-week paid summer internship in Scappoose, OR, typically lasting late June through the 2nd week in September. Interns will be paid hourly, beginning at \$17/hr, with the opportunity to increase pay annually as their skills advance. Housing and mileage are not included in the internship or scholarship. Students are responsible for securing their own summer housing and transportation. Participation in the internship during the summer prior to entering freshman year is highly recommended and encouraged, but not mandatory. All subsequent summers will be mandatory.

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Student Eligibility Requirements

High school students graduating by June 30, 2026 from any Oregon high school are eligible to apply for the DeArmond Manufacturing Fellows Scholarship. Students who are selected for the Fellowships must maintain satisfactory academic progress in an eligible degree program, a GPA of 3.0 or better, maintain full time student status, and demonstrate satisfactory work progress as interns for OMIC or OMIC member companies.

Students selected for the DeArmond Manufacturing Fellows Scholarship must have already applied and been admitted to a bachelor's degree program at either Oregon Tech's Klamath Falls Campus or Portland-Metro Campus (in Wilsonville), in Mechanical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Technology, or Manufacturing Engineering Technology.

Application Instructions

To apply, complete the Oregon Tech Foundation Scholarship application at: www.oit.edu/otfscholars. Be sure to select the DeArmond Manufacturing Fellows Scholarship on the Scholarship Selection screen. Students will also be asked to provide (1) two letters of recommendation from a non-family member (e.g., teacher, counselor, mentor, etc.); and (2) answer three additional special essay questions.

Submission Deadline

Applicants should submit their completed application through the Oregon Tech Foundation scholarship application portal by Monday, March 2nd, 2026 by 5:00pm Pacific Time.

Finalists will be contacted to schedule an interview with the selection committee.

Questions? Please contact Julie Daniels at 541.885.1280 or julie.daniels@oit.edu

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