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Your Input is Needed for the 2015 Haig Vahradian Technology Student Challenge

During the [2015 ATMAE Annual Conference](#), students from across the country will convene to take part in the annual Haig Vahradian Technology Student Challenge. In an effort to update the 'jeopardy' style questions and answers, ATMAE is looking for professionals in all disciplines who are interested in writing questions for this game. Please forward your TECH challenge questions and answers to Dr. Heshium Lawrence at hlawrence@uttyler.edu.

This is a great opportunity to keep our students abreast of current trends and terminology as well as aid in their future development of Technology, Management, and Applied Engineering. Thank you in advance!

ATMAE RE-ENERGIZING STUDENT CHAPTERS

Are you the Faculty

ATMAE Elections Are Around the Corner!

ATMAE is our organization. The place we go to for school accreditation, to build our careers and make lifelong friends and colleagues. If you have never been involved in ATMAE - NOW IS YOUR TIME! Speak your voice. Stake your place by shaping our future. Build your career by getting involved!

We are looking for committed individuals who are willing to do what it takes to build the future of ATMAE through leadership positions in the [Divisions](#) or on the [Board of Directors](#). You can click [here](#) to determine if you meet our qualifications and to learn what is required to run and serve. If you are interested, you must act now - all nominations are due September 11th.

This is an exciting time for ATMAE. We are building on our traditional value while offering significant new programs and opportunities for all of our members. Check out the article below regarding the [2015/16 Action Plan](#) demonstrating the new ideas and programs ATMAE is undertaking.

If you have any questions about the commitment, or ATMAE in general, feel free to contact one of our [current board members](#) or John Hausoul at 630.433.4514.

ATMAE Updates the Eligibility Requirements for Certification Exams

Since 1991, the [ATMAE Certification Board](#) continues to expand its industry leading [Certification Program](#). With certification exams for engineering graphics, manufacturing, technology management, and our newest program, Lean Six Sigma, ATMAE has aided hundreds of professors across the country in assesses their current curriculum against industry practice and standards, measuring and monitoring program objectives and outcomes, adhering to accreditation requirements, and improving the overall academic and professional development of their students.

As ATMAE continues to provide this service to its partner institutions and core membership, we also want to ensure the integrity of the certification program for our emerging professional membership. In an effort to make certain ATMAE Student Members have a proficient knowledge base and are prepared for the industry workforce, ATMAE has amended its

Advisor for your school's [ATMAE Student Chapter](#)? Have you connected with ATMAE lately? ATMAE wants to know what you are up to? Check out the [ATMAE Student Chapter](#) page to make sure your school is currently recognized!

Questions? Contact Rachel at rachel@atmae.org.

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[eligibility requirements](#) for taking the CMS, CTM, CEG and CTP Certification Exams:

- CMS and CTM: The applicant must be in their last year of a technical, technology, technology management or engineering-related 4-year BS or BA degree program, or have a technical, technology, technology management or engineering-related 2-year Associate (AA, AS, AAS) degree.
- CEG and CTP: The applicant must be in their last year of technical, technology, technology management or engineering-related 4-year BS or BA degree program or be in their second year of a technical, technology, technology management or engineering-related 2-year Associate (AA, AS, AAS) degree program.
- Equivalency: Equivalent educational qualifications as determined by the Certification Officer based on formal education and professional experience may be used to satisfy the above educational eligibility criteria.

Here at ATMAE, we know that certification exams are an important tool for professors in understanding how well a class is learning and providing students with the skills and insight they need for professional best practices and industry standards. We hope that ATMAE's Core membership will continue to utilize this certification program in their classrooms and remain supportive in ATMAE's effort to uphold the integrity of the [Certification Program](#) and improve the overall professional development of its members.

ATMAE welcomes your feedback. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact Rachel, Membership and Certification Coordinator at rachel@atmae.org.

Two Scholarships Available for Students Planning Careers in Technology

[Dr. Clois E. Kicklighter Doctoral Student Scholarship Award Program](#)

Dr. Clois E. Kicklighter, who made significant contributions to ATMAE and to the discipline of Industrial Technology, endowed the scholarship which provides \$2,500 scholarship awards for applicants planning for a career in technology, applied technology, engineering technology, or a technology-related discipline and have been accepted in a doctoral level program designed to prepare for that career. Scholarships are awarded when interest on the endowment reaches \$2500. Scholarships are awarded at the annual ATMAE Conference.

[Kate & Cliff Strandberg Masters Student Scholarship Award Program](#)

The "Kate and Cliff Strandberg Masters Student Scholarship Award Program" was started in 2006. The program was established and named by Dr. Eugene Strandberg in memory of his parents Kate and Cliff. The program was endowed by a generous gift from Dr. Strandberg and provides \$1,000 scholarship awards for applicants planning for a career in Technology and have been accepted or currently enrolled and attending a Masters level program designed to prepare for that career. Scholarships are awarded when the endowment exceeds \$20,000. Scholarships are awarded at the annual ATMAE Conference.

**The deadline for both scholarships is
September 30, 2015.**

Action Plan Directs 2015/16 Future for ATMAE

The ATMAE Board of Directors approved an action plan for 2015/16 at their June Board Meeting in Pittsburgh. The plan, 4 months in the making, describes a short term plan for ATMAE designed to shore up current programs and introduce some significant new ones.

The plan is designed to focus on four main categories: general management (designed to improve upon how ATMAE operates); accreditation; Certification and Training; and Membership.

The rationale for developing this plan was based on four overarching goals for the association:

- Increasing non-dues revenues. Associations want to minimize the number of dues increases. Generating non-dues revenues allows an association to maintain and possibly increase their benefits without increasing dues.
- Increasing the value offered to members.
- Increasing and retaining membership numbers.
- Increasing the message/offerings to individuals outside of the membership categories who either benefit from or impact the mission.

The action plan can be viewed [here](#). If you have any questions, comments, or ideas on how you can contribute to this plan, please call John Hausoul at 630.433.4514.

Don't Miss Out on the Early Bird Conference Registration Rate!

The [ATMAE Conference](#) will be here before you know it! Join hundreds of industry and faculty professionals and students while learning about the latest in technology, management, and applied engineering.

- More than [200 presenters](#) will discuss the latest in technology, management and applied engineering in

10 different areas.

- Listen to keynote speakers like Rodney D. Westmoreland, Sr. QA/QC Manager of Gigafactory 1, Tesla Motors. Mr. Westmoreland Jr. will share his experiences and how he got to where he is today!
- While at the conference, renew old acquaintances, network with new colleagues, cheer on your favorite robotics team during the [Student Robotics Competition](#), and learn about the latest in industry technology from on-site Exhibitors.

Another benefit of registering online is that you may also renew your ATMAE membership and certificate. For more information visit the [ATMAE website](#) or contact Lisa Kennelly at lisa@atmae.org or at (630) 433-4514.

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