



About MAPS

The Marine Award Program for Seamen (MAPS) was developed by The Young Firm, a maritime law firm dedicated to serving seamen and maritime workers. Our firm has been working with maritime workers for over 20 years and we have had the distinct privilege of guiding these individuals along the challenging channels of maritime law.

This award program is the manifestation of one of our key missions: to provide free resources that empower mariners to make educated decisions to better their future. Because credentialing and licensing is such an integral part of a mariner's career, we wanted to offer a way for seamen and maritime workers to more easily access the training they need to advance.

MAPS is a need and merit-based award program that gives seamen the opportunity to have the cost of their training covered at three facilities either in full or partially, depending on the desired training course. The purpose of the program is to enable seamen to advance their careers through training and certification classes.

The award amount will be paid directly to the facility of choice in exchange for the recipient's access to the course.

Seamen will be able to apply for one of 18 awards offered annually. Each of these awards will be for the amount of \$1000 or less if the desired course does not exceed \$1000. These awards will be offered at the following Louisiana Coast Guard-approved training facilities:

- Houston Marine Training Services
- LaFourche Merchant Marine Training Inc.
- Martin International

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Via mail:
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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Date of birth:

*TWIC Card: Yes No *(Please circle)*

**Sea Service Time (days):

*** Must provide evidence that you either hold a valid TWIC (photocopy of TWIC) or have applied for a TWIC (TWIC application receipt). If you do not have a TWIC card or have not applied for one, you are not eligible for this scholarship.**

****Must provide a Letter of Service from your current employer and/or a Certificate of Discharge to prove your total sea service. If you do not meet the minimum sea time for your selected course, you will not be eligible for this scholarship.**

What endorsements, certificates, or other credentials do you have currently?

Phone:

Email:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Currently employed: Yes No *(Please circle)*

If no, last employment: ___ / ___ / ___
(m) (d) (y)

Reason for leaving:

Last employer:

Former title/position:

Current employer:

Current title/position:

How long in this position?

Employer address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Fax:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Position:

Hourly Salary *(Please circle)*

Annual income:

COURSES / TRAINING

What license, certification, endorsement, etc. are you trying to get?

Which of the following facilities are you planning to attend? *(Please circle)*

LaFourche Merchant Marine Training Inc

Martin International

Houston Marine Training Services

Have you taken a course at any of the facilities previously? If so, which course(s)?

Which courses are you interested in taking? *(Please circle)*

If you do not see the desired course listed, please write or type in course name in the appropriate column.

LaFourche Merchant Marine Training Inc	Martin International	Houston Marine Training Services
Apprentice Mate Steersman Towing	Able Seaman	OUPV (6-Pak)
Master 100 GT	OIM, BS & BCO	100 Ton
Mate 200 GT	Stability & Ballast Control for MODU (Surface & Bottom Bearing Units)	200 Ton
Radar Observer Unlimited		Apprentice Mate
		Western Rivers
		ECDIS
		Basic Stability

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		Able Seaman
		Bridge Teamwork Procedures
		Radar Observer Unlimited
		Radar Recertification
		ARPA
		GMDS
		Dynamic Positioning Induction
		Dynamic Positioning Simulator
		Coastal Plotting / Navigation – Exam Prep
		Terrestrial Navigation-Exam Prep
		Celestial Navigation
		Medical Care Provider
		Medical Care Person-in-Charge
		500/1600 Master/Mate Exam Prep
		Visual Communications
		First Aid / CPR

WRITTEN SECTION

Pick 3 of the 5 questions below to answer. Be thorough with your response as this helps us determine your eligibility.

- 1) What motivated you to get into this industry? Describe what that initial process was like for you.

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2) What are some of the major challenges you experience on a day to day basis? How would you like these challenges to be addressed?

3) How do you stay current on what is going on in the industry? Do you read certain books, visit certain websites, subscribe to certain journals/newsletters/magazines?

4) The amount of paperwork and regulations is mind-numbing and often too much to handle in the allotted time each day. How would you like to see this problem remedied?

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5) How do you spend your time when you are off tour/ off watch and/or on shore?

SIGNATURES

I confirm that the information provided on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize The Young Firm to use this information to determine my eligibility for the scholarship and for additional research purposes. I also agree to receive future correspondence from The Young Firm regarding other opportunities, news updates, and informational articles.

Signature of applicant:

Date: