

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Allen D. Williams Scholarship Awarded to Graham Lovely P.Eng., Vancouver Consulting Engineer

(OTTAWA) October 23, 2018 – The Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada (ACEC) is pleased to announce that the 2019 Allen D. Williams Scholarship has been awarded to Graham Lovely of MCW Consultants Ltd. The Allen D. Williams Scholarship is presented annually to a young professional, employed by an ACEC member firm, who demonstrates a commitment to the consulting engineering industry in their province or territory. Graham was presented with his award at the 2018 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards gala, the culminating event of the ACEC national leadership conference and industry's night to award the highest honours for achievements in consulting engineering in Canada.



Graham believes that engineering is a calling and one that can bring out the best in people through hard work, study, and dedication.

These qualities and attributes describe Graham and are the reasons he was selected by the Board of the Allen D. Williams Scholarship Foundation as the recipient of this year's scholarship.

Upon graduating from his undergraduate studies in engineering at the University of British Columbia in 2009, Graham joined MCW Consultants Ltd. as an electrical consulting engineer. Recognizing his high degree of confidence, self-awareness, initiative, and charisma, the firm quickly delegated him with new technical and managerial responsibility. His aptitude for team work and natural ability to manage up as well as down has seen him progress from project engineer, to project manager, and now to Associate.

Since joining MCW much of Graham's work has focused on projects for the Vancouver International Airport (YVR) Authority. As the leader of MCW's Airport Project Group, he thrives working in this challenging and enormous facility. Graham recognizes that his work with the YVR entails great responsibility as traveller safety depends largely on his designs and their execution. He has risen to the challenge and has become a trusted service provider to many of the airport's extensive technical and project management personnel. His boots on the ground mentality, practical focus and hands-on-experience have led to the implementation of new procedures and testing new systems in collaboration with his client. His leadership of MCW's YVR team has not only helped the firm grow their volume of work with this important client, it has also permitted, through Graham's initiative, to expand the firm's reach to airports around the country.

Outside of his work responsibilities, Graham shows great levels of enthusiasm to personal and professional development. He is the Chair of the ACEC-BC building engineering steering committee and a member of the Young Professional Lower Mainland Subcommittee for student outreach. He was a long-standing participant of the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade, serving on a variety of committees. Tremendously active with his alma mater, he mentors young engineers and participates in all manner of UBC co-op events

and activities. Graham was also a member and past Director for the Canada-West Board of Oikocredit, a micro-credit organization. As a parishioner of St Andrew's Wesley United Church, he supports his community as a Board Member and Finance Committee representative.

An energetic and enthusiastic young professional, Graham demonstrates expertise, professionalism, and leadership that will stand him in good stead for a successful career. He clearly thrives on challenging himself and derives much satisfaction from his many accomplishments.

The scholarship commemorates Allen Williams, past ACEC Chair and Founder of Williams Engineering Inc. It provides the winner with funding to cover registration, airfare and accommodations to attend the annual conference of the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC).

About ACEC

ACEC represents companies in Canada that provide professional engineering services to both public and private sector clients. These services include the planning, design and execution of all types of engineering projects, as well as providing independent advice and expertise in a wide range of engineering and engineering-related fields. For more information about ACEC and the 2018 Canadian Consulting Engineering Awards, please visit www.acec.ca.

-30-

Multimedia (includes photo and video):

Graham Lovely photo
Graham Lovely Allen D. Williams Scholarship 2019 page on acec.ca

For more information, please contact:

Christina Locmelis, Senior Communications & Marketing Specialist Association of Consulting Engineering Companies-Canada clocmelis@acec.ca
613-236-0569