

February 10, 2020

Personal Statement

To the Selection Committee of Graduate Student Travel Awards:

My name is Ricardo Jacome and I am currently a graduate student in the Mechanical Engineering program at UNL. Currently, I am in search for funding opportunities for presenting my work at the SAE Conference: WCX 2020 SAE World Congress Experience, located in Detroit Michigan, at the TCF Center (formerly Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center). The conference will be held from April 21-23. During this conference, I will serve as an Author and Presenter of a paper publication titled "Road Curvature Decomposition for Autonomous Guidance" scheduled for the day of April 23. A Participant Confirmation Letter can be provided for if needed.

The conference will be held for three days and the budgeting is estimated considering the limit of \$1500 as follows:

- Airfare: \$400- \$500
- Transportation (Uber): \$100 (estimated)
- Lodging: \$400-\$600
 - Assuming Arrival on April 21 and leaving on April 24.
- Meals Per Diem: \$56 per day (as per [federalpay.org](https://www.federalpay.org))
- Prices for Airfare and Lodging are subject to change.

This event is a unique opportunity for me to learn from everywhere in the world about vehicle technology and innovation. Furthermore, it will allow me to be representative of my work in the name of my research team. I will greatly appreciate your contributions for this opportunity and guarantee to represent UNL in the best and most professional manner.

Sincerely,

Ricardo Jacome