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Cariboo College announced today that welding student, Rebecca (Becky) Saunders, has been awarded a 1986 Canadian National Railways Scholarship for Women. These \$600 scholarships are awarded to encourage women to seek careers in non-traditional fields such as welding, heavy duty diesel mechanics and precision machining.

Becky Saunders, who grew up in Kamloops, first started welding at Kamloops Secondary School when she enrolled in its metalwork course. After leaving school she worked as a welder in local firms before deciding to enroll in the Cariboo College program in order to obtain certification.

Her instructor, Mickey Zoyetz, and Department Chairman Nick Martin, who recommended Becky for the scholarship, say, "Becky is a better than average student who does good work". When asked whether she had encountered any difficulties being the only woman in the program, Miss Saunders replied, "Not at all. I'm willing to work hard at something I really enjoy and if you have a good, positive attitude about yourself and your trade, anyone can work anywhere today".

The Level "C" Welding program is of seven months duration leading to a Registered Level "C" Welder rating following five months' field experience.

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