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# LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY

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## Devaprasad Robotics Scholarship

**Name:** The name of this scholarship endowment shall be the *Devaprasad Robotics Scholarship*.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this endowment is to benefit a deserving student who is pursuing a degree in engineering or engineering technology in a robotics curriculum at Lake Superior State University.

**Donor**

**Background:** Jim and Sara Devaprasad have established this scholarship to aid in the success of a talented engineering student pursuing a robotics curriculum at LSSU. Jim is a Professor and Director of Robotics at the LSSU School of Engineering and Technology. He has been instrumental in the development of the robotics program and lab since 1986. He is grateful to have played a part in educating numerous students who have gone on to become exceptional engineers and leaders. Sara has been serving students and faculty at LSSU since 1995 and has been involved in the implementation and support of LSSU's learning management system (Moodle). Jim and Sara are grateful for the opportunity to serve at LSSU for a combined 65 years (as of 2023) and continually cherish the success and accomplishments of their students and graduates.

**Amount:** The principal of this endowment shall be held intact in perpetuity and only the income shall be utilized each year for the purpose of the endowment. Additional funds may be contributed at any time.

**Value:** The number and value of the award(s) will be based upon the endowment amount, the number of qualified candidates, and the current LSSU Foundation spending policy for investments.

**Custody of Funds:** Funds in this special account shall be commingled with other funds for investment purposes. Investments shall be made to bring a good return, consistent with sound and safe investment procedures. The LSSU Foundation, as trustee of this account, shall keep records of all activities in this named account and shall make periodic reports to the donor. The *Devaprasad Robotics Scholarship* shall be part of the LSSU Foundation annual audit.

- Eligibility:** Successful candidates:
- Must be an engineering or engineering technology student in a robotics curriculum with the following preference: Robotics Engineering, Mechatronics, or any engineering or engineering technology degree with concentration or minor in Robotics
  - Must be freshmen or transfer student newly entering LSSU. Otherwise, current students with sophomore status may be considered
  - Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA
  - Financial need may be a consideration
  - This scholarship is non-renewable but past recipients may be considered.

The scholarship recipient must maintain a good academic standing and be in compliance with all policies as listed in the current Student Conduct Code.

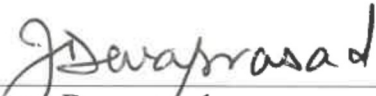
**Selection Committee:** The LSSU Engineering faculty shall recommend eligible candidates to the Financial Aid Office. The Financial Aid Office will follow general university scholarship policy in the selection of the scholarship recipient(s) based on criteria developed in conjunction with the donor.

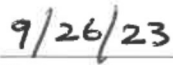
**Publicity:** Publicity is approved and encouraged in regards to this endowment and to all future gifts.

**Changes:** If changes at the University make the purpose as designated no longer applicable, LSSU, in cooperation with representatives of the University and the donor or their representative, may make revisions to meet the intent of the scholarship, the intent of the law, and/or the highest priority needs of Lake Superior State University.


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Dr. Lynn G. Gillette, LSSU Interim President

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