

WTS Orange County High School Scholarships

The Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) is a national organization of transportation professionals with more than 4,000 members who are committed to excellence in the transportation industry. The organization provides a neutral forum for the exchange of information, ideas and experiences; encourages the professional development of its members; and promotes industry recognition of women in the field of transportation. Part of the WTS goal of fostering the development of women in the transportation field can be realized by encouraging bright students entering college to pursue degrees that will lead to careers in the area of transportation.

Through the generous contributions of our local chapter and, in 2011, a donation from the Los Angeles Women's Transportation Coalition, we are able to award scholarships that recognize the potential contributions of local high school students. Two scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 each will be awarded to exceptional high school applicants.

The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- Open to high school seniors
- ♦ Open to women only
- ♦ GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Planning to enroll in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as civil engineering, transportation engineering, planning, finance, logistics, aviation, transit, and rail
- ✤ Letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, or employer
- ✦ High school transcript
- Personal statement

The WTS Orange County undergraduate scholarships will be presented at our annual Awards Gala on December 6, 2011. The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation interests and goals, job skills and academic record. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply. Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- ♦ Academic performance
- ✤ Personal statement, writing and communication skills
- ✤ Intent to pursue a career in transportation in Orange County

Scholarship applications are available for download at <u>www.wtsinternational.org</u>, under 'Chapters', 'Orange County', and 'Scholarships'. Note that a sealed copy of the applicant's transcript does not need to be sent through traditional mail. The transcript and all other materials should be submitted electronically. Please complete the application, scan the entire application packet (including attachments) and send as a PDF document to:

wtsocscholarship@gmail.com

Applications must be scanned and e-mailed to the Scholarship Committee no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2011.



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I. Personal Information

| | Last | First | | Middle |
|-----------------|---|--------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Address | | | | |
| Address —— | Street | | | |
| | City | State | Zip | Telephone |
| E-mail address | | | | |
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| II. Educatio | nal Background | | | |
| Current High Se | chool | | | |
| City, State | | | | |
| | of Graduation | | erage | (Minimum GPA of |
| Professional or | School Affiliations (List an Include offices held and a | y school, professional o | | tivities you have |

III. Employment History

Work Experience (List full-time, part-time, co-op and summer employment. Briefly describe duties and responsibilities. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.)

IV. Recommendation: Letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor or job supervisor must accompany your application.

V. Personal Statement: A statement about your educational and career goals and why you think that you should receive the scholarship award. Please discuss your specific plans to advance women in transportation in Orange County or California. Statement should not exceed 500 words or two pages. Attach statement to application packet.

VI. High School Transcript: Attach a copy of your transcript.

Signature _____ Date _____