



Advancing Women in Transportation
Orange County Chapter

Orange County Undergraduate Scholarships

The Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) is a national organization of transportation professionals with more than 5,000 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 new professionals to undertake careers in the area of transportation. Through the generous contributions of our local chapter and individual members and supporters we are able to award scholarships that recognize the potential contributions of an undergraduate student.

WTS Orange County will award undergraduate scholarships in the amount of at least \$2,000. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- ✧ Open to women only
- ✧ GPA of 3.0 or higher
- ✧ Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance or logistics
- ✧ Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field

The top winners of the WTS Orange County undergraduate scholarships will go on to compete for one of two National WTS scholarships: Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship (\$3,000) and Molitoris Leadership Scholarship for Undergraduates (\$3,000).

Note: Applications must be submitted through local WTS chapters. The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation involvement and goals, job skills and academic record. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

Scholarships are available for download at www.wtsinternational.org, under 'Chapters', 'Orange County'.

Please return the completed application to:

Megan Taylor c/o WTS Orange County
PO Box 10177; Santa Ana, CA 92711-0177
wtsocscholarship@gmail.com

Applications must be returned no later than October 19, 2009



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The top winners of the WTS Orange County scholarships will go on to compete nationally for the following undergraduate scholarships:

Sharon D. Banks Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship honors Sharon D. Banks, chief executive officer of AC Transit in Alameda-Contra Costa County, California. As CEO of most of the 1990's, Sharon led the agency in a pioneering effort to introduce cultural and organizational changes aimed at motivating the public transit work force. She was a member of the WTS Advisory Board and received the WTS San Francisco Chapter Women and Employer of the Year awards.

The Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship is in the amount of \$3,000.

Louise Moritz Molitoris Leadership

The purpose of the Molitoris Leadership Scholarship is to motivate and reward women who demonstrate leadership in the transportation industry. The leadership, skills and perspective of women are essential to assure that the transportation systems of the future respond to the needs of all. Leadership does not just happen. Leaders personally invest and risk much. They must take on struggles that many would avoid and persevere to reach successful outcomes. These qualities should receive special attention in the selection of the award winner.

The Louise Moritz Molitoris Leadership Fund is for undergraduates and the award is in the amount of \$3,000.



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I. Personal Information

Name _____
Last First Middle

Current Address _____
Street

_____ ()
City State Zip Telephone

E-mail address _____

Permanent Address _____
Street

_____ ()
City State Zip Telephone

II. Educational Background

Current College/University _____ City, State _____

Expected Date of Graduation _____ Degree to be received _____

Area of Concentration _____

Grade Point Average _____ (Minimum GPA of 3.0 required. Attach official copy of transcript to application.)

Previous Colleges/Universities Attended, Date Degree Earned and GPA:



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Professional or School Affiliations (List any school, professional or community activities you have participated in. Include offices held and awards received. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.)

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 by a professor or job supervisor must accompany your application.

V. Personal Statement: A statement about your career goals after graduation 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. Please attach to application form.

VI. Proof of Enrollment: Attach a copy of your tuition receipt or current registration card.

Signature _____ Date _____