

WTS Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women in the transportation field by encouraging bright new professionals to undertake careers in the area of transportation. One way it does this is by awarding the WTS Sharon D. Banks Memorial Scholarship to women pursuing undergraduate studies in transportation or a related field.

The scholarship honors Sharon D. Banks, chief executive officer of AC Transit in Alameda-Contra Costa County, California. As its CEO throughout most of the 1990's, Banks 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 *Woman of the Year* and *Employer of the Year* awards.

The Northeast Ohio Chapter of WTS is accepting applications for the Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship. The local award is \$1,500 and the application of the selected winner will be forwarded for consideration for the national-level scholarship of \$5,000. The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. Must be female
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- c. Must be a resident of Ohio OR be currently enrolled in an Ohio college or university
- d. Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as civil/structural/transportation engineering, construction management, planning, finance, or logistics.
- e. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.

Scholarships are competitive and awarded based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record, and transportation-related activities or job skills. Priority consideration will be given to applicants who have not been previously selected for a WTS Northeast Ohio scholarship. Students are welcome and encouraged to apply for scholarships from other Ohio chapters of WTS (Columbus and Southwest Ohio). Chapters may coordinate their selections in order to distribute the awards.

Award presentation of the scholarships for 2020 is still to be determined. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

Applications and all required attachments can be submitted via mail or email to:

Jacob Wroten – Scholarship Chair
c/o HDR Engineering
1100 Superior Ave, Suite 650
Cleveland, Ohio 44114
E-mail: jacob.wroten@hdrinc.com

***Applications and all required attachments must be received
no later than December 18, 2020.***

Any questions on the application process should be e-mailed to jacob.wroten@hdrinc.com.

WTS Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship Application

I. Personal Information

Name _____

Last

First

Middle

E-mail address _____

Primary Phone (____) _____

Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

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:

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.)

