WTS Paula Hammond Leadership Legacy Scholarship

WTS launched the Leadership Legacy Scholarship in 2007. This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding young woman pursuing graduate studies working toward a career in transportation or a related field, and who demonstrates a specific interest in advancing transportation innovation in the international arena. The WTS Paula Hammond Leadership Legacy Scholarship is $2,000. The recipient of this scholarship will also advance to the national competition for a chance of being awarded $5,000.

The WTS mission is to build the transportation industry through the global advancement of women by encouraging women to further their careers as leaders in transportation. WTS recognizes that transportation is more than simply moving people and goods from one place to another. It is a driver of growth and an integral part of communities throughout the world. The leadership, skills, and perspectives of women are essential to ensure that the transportation systems of the future respond to the needs of all. Through the Leadership Legacy Scholarship, WTS seeks to motivate and reward women who demonstrate leadership in the industry to bring ideas, innovation, and new approaches to transportation challenges in the US and beyond.

The Leadership Legacy Scholarship currently takes the name of the 2020-2022 WTS International Chair, Paula Hammond. It has a sustainable community and public transit focus with emphasis on candidates who are working to rejoin the workforce after some time away from the industry.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

a. GPA of 3.0 or higher
b. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation planning or engineering, security planning, business management, finance, or logistics with a focus on public policy.
c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
d. Demonstrated interest in addressing transportation studies issue(s).
e. Submission of a personal statement of 500 words or less highlighting candidate’s interest in transportation/related field, relevant experiences, and interests, and how this award will contribute to the candidate’s ability to make a meaningful contribution in the transportation arena.

Scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record, and transportation-related activities or job skills. Greater New York scholarships will be presented at a reception in the fall of 2021, and recipient’s attendance is encouraged. National awards will be presented in the spring of 2022. Please email the completed application (as a PDF package including all required forms, letters, transcripts, etc.) or any additional questions to: wtsgnyscholarship@gmail.com.

Applications must be emailed no later than Friday, June 11, 2021.
Leadership Legacy Scholarship for Graduates Application

I. Personal Information

Name________________________________________ Last  First  Middle

E-mail address________________________________________

Primary Phone (___)_____________________________________

Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip):
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Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip):
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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 copy of transcript to application. Official copy of
transcript will be required from the scholarship recipient.)

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, as typed word documents.)
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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, as typed word documents.)

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IV. Recommendation: Two letters 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. Applicants must address the issue of leadership, its importance in a transportation career, and the applicant’s leadership achievements. Statement should not exceed 500 words. Please attach as a word document to application form.

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

NOTE: Scholarships will be paid directly to the educational institution attended by the winner.

Applicant Signature_____________________________________Date___________________