



WTS Professor Scott Rutherford Memorial Scholarship

The Professor Scott Rutherford Memorial Scholarship was established in spring 2018 by the Puget Sound Chapter of WTS to motivate women to pursue career paths related to engineering and transportation.

Scott Rutherford saw the promise of public transit and shared his passion with students over the decades he taught at the University of Washington. He saw education as the great equalizer and understood the importance of gender equity and diversity within the engineering profession and transportation fields. He observed that recruitment, development, and investment in students from a diverse background ensured the long-term success and viability of the larger vision he had of public transit.

The Professor Scott Rutherford Memorial Scholarship is not determined solely on test scores or grades but rather passion for the field of transportation, work ethic, and determination. It is an award acknowledging the student's potential to take a leadership role in meeting our transportation and engineering needs for future generations.

The Scholarship is in the amount of **\$5,000** and will be awarded in early 2021. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- a. A woman currently enrolled at the University of Washington in an undergraduate or graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
- b. A woman who plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
- c. A woman with a financial need-based reason for applying.
- d. One letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor must accompany your application.

The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record and transportation-related activities or job skills. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply. Local awards will be presented at the Puget Sound Gala in March 2022 in Seattle, and attendance at the awards dinner is strongly encouraged¹.

¹ Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this event may be virtual or other format. WTS Puget Sound will follow State and local health guidelines in planning this event.

We will accept **only electronic submittals**. Please scan in and submit all application materials including official transcripts in one combined PDF file, via email to the four email addresses listed below.

Questions? Please contact Stefanie Herzstein at stefanie.herzstein@transpogroup.com or Darby Watson at DWatson@parametrix.com or Stephanie Prine at sprine@piercettransit.org or Carlisle Turner at Carlisle.Turner@wsp.com with the Puget Sound WTS Chapter.

Completed applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. December 3, 2021. WTS is not responsible for the completeness of the application if materials are submitted separately.