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Scholarships are open to any enrolled post-secondary school students pursuing a degree in planning, economics, engineering, political science, environmental science and other programs, that will lead to a career focused on transportation. Students are eligible if they are currently attending an institution in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area as well as in the Guelph/Kitchener/Waterloo area. *Previous recipients are not eligible*.

Individual \$3,000 (CAD) scholarships will be awarded to a minimum of two undergraduate students and one graduate student. Awards may be granted to undergraduate students should there be are no qualified graduate student candidates.

A focused scholarship is also available for undergraduate students pursuing studies within emerging technologies such as electrical engineering, autonomous systems, computer science and programming, math systems, artificial intelligence and machine learning, cyber analytics and fusion engineering. It will be incumbent on the student to demonstrate applicability for any other disciplines not listed here.

Selection of the recipients will be made in October and successful applicants will be announced at the WTS Annual Event in late October 2024. Attendance at the event is encouraged but not mandatory, however, notice of the scholarships and award recipient names will be shared during the event. Recipient names and photos will also appear in WTS publications. The successful students will be invited to attend the event with some expenses covered by WTS.

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# Application (Please check only\_one of the following) Undergraduate Scholarship Graduate Scholarship Undergraduate Scholarship - Focused (Emerging Technologies

CONTACT INFORMATION		
First and Last Name:		
Phone:	Email Address:	
Current Address: City, Province, Postal Code		
Permanent Address (if differe	ent from above): City, Province, Postal Code	

EDUCA	TION STATUS	
Post-Secondary School:		
Level: Undergrad/Graduate - 1st year, 2nd year, etc.		
Area of Concentration:	Research Topic: If applicable	
Anticipated Date of Graduation:Month/Year		
Anticipated Degree to be Receive Upon Graduation:		



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OTHER INFORMATION			
Professional or Community Affiliations:			
Identify any professional or community related activities, including school groups you have participated in. Include roles and offices held in the space provided. If none insert N/A.			
Academic Awards or Achievements:			
Identify any academic awards or scholastic achievements in the space provided. If none insert N/A.			
Work Experience:			
Briefly describe part-time, full-time, co-op, summer or other employment you have held and your responsibilities in the space provided. If none insert N/A.			
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#### REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- You <u>must</u> include the following documents in a single email with your application form, multiple emails are not accepted.
- Please use checkboxes to confirm you have included the requested documents in your submission. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.
- All attachments should be in PDF format and named with Document title-Last name
  - 1. Personal Statement: (Max. 2 pages)

Attach a <u>personal</u> essay that describes your interest in transportation, your career goals, and an explanation of why you believe you should receive the scholarship based on the scholarship's purpose of promoting the advancement of women in transportation. Please refer to the Application Guide on page 4.

#### For Focused Scholarship:

Applicants must also demonstrate their connection to emerging technologies (Internet of Things, Artificial Intelligence, Autonomous Systems and Systems Engineering) and describe the emerging technologies' role in solving a transportation problem.

2. Letter of Recommendation: (Max. 1 page)

Attach one (1) letter of recommendation from a previous teacher, professor, employer or community leader (including Elder, mentor, or cultural teacher). The letter should address why you are a good candidate based on the noted scholarship criteria.

3. Proof of Enrollment:

Attach a copy of your tuition receipt or registration receipt.

4. Transcripts:

Attach a copy of your most recent transcript. If first year attach high school transcript.

5. Other:

Please indicate any other supporting documentation submitted with your application.

Signature of Student

Date of Application

I accept and acknowledge that if I am selected as a scholarship recipient, the WTS Toronto Area Chapter may use my name, biography and photo on WTS promotional materials including the WTS Toronto website and on future scholarship promotional documentation. Submission of this scholarship application to WTS Toronto will be considered consent for WTS Toronto to use the recipient's information on promotional materials.

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#### **Application Guide**

- 1. Review the scholarship requirements: Before you start your application, make sure you understand the <u>eligibility requirements</u> for the WTS Toronto Scholarship. The scholarship is open to anyone pursuing a degree or diploma in transportation or a related field, and applicants must be enrolled at an accredited college or university in the GTHA and Waterloo/Kitchener/Guelph area.
- 2. Ensure you submit by the submission deadlines, have included all required documents, and pay attention to any additional instructions or prompts.
- 3. Understand the selection criteria: The WTS Toronto Scholarship is awarded based on your connection with the transportation industry and any related activities and interests, demonstrable interest in the promotion of the advancement of gender diversity within the transportation industry, leadership potential and good character with consideration for academic performance and work experience. When writing your Personal Statement, keep the criteria in mind and provide examples that demonstrate your qualifications.
  - 3.1. Highlight Your Relevant Experiences: Use the Personal Statement to discuss any transportation-related activities or interests you have pursued, such as research, internships or co-op positions, or volunteer work. The applicant should place greater emphasis on sharing their personal journey by demonstrating how their experience has made them come to appreciate the importance of promoting gender diversity in transportation industry.
  - 3.2. Showcase Your Leadership Skills: WTS Toronto Scholarship values individuals with strong leadership potential. Highlight any leadership roles you have taken on, such as leading a team project or volunteering for a transportation-related organization. Explain how these experiences have developed your leadership skills and how they will contribute to the transportation industry.
  - 3.3. Connect Your Experiences to Your Future Goals: Your Personal Statement should explain how your experiences have prepared you for your future career goals. Discuss your long-term career aspirations and how you hope to contribute to the transportation industry. Explain how the scholarship will help you achieve these goals, and how you plan to leverage the scholarship to make a positive impact on the industry.
  - 3.4. Emphasize Your Passion: Lastly, make sure to emphasize your passion for transportation. Explain why transportation is important to you and how you hope to contribute to its growth and development. Your passion should shine through in your Personal Statement, making it clear to the scholarship committee why you are a strong candidate for the WTS Toronto Scholarship.
  - 3.5. Edit and Revise: Once you have drafted your personal statement, take the time to edit and revise it. Check for spelling and grammatical errors and ensure that your writing is clear and concise. Share your statement with a friend, family member, or mentor to get feedback and suggestions for improvement.