

WTS – Maine Chapter Undergraduate Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women in the transportation field by encouraging women to undertake careers in the area of transportation. One way the Chapter does this is by offering the WTS – Maine Chapter Undergraduate Scholarship to women pursuing undergraduate studies in transportation or a related field.

WTS – Maine Chapter works to make a difference in our communities and hopes that this scholarship will encourage highly motivated women to pursue a career in transportation. The scholarship is open to women who are enrolled at a community college, technical/trade school, or university and are pursuing two-year or four-year degrees and planning a career in transportation.

The WTS – Maine Chapter is offering up to three Undergraduate Scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 to \$3,000. The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in an undergraduate two-year or four-year degree program in the State of Maine. Applicants should be in transportation related fields (such as transportation engineering, urban planning, finance, or logistics).
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.

Applicants must be Maine residents. Applications must be submitted to the WTS – Maine Chapter as typed documents. Scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation goals, academic record, and transportation-related activities or job skills.

Questions and applications can be submitted to the address below. Please mail or email the completed application to:

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Deadline for applications is February 15, 2026.
(Applications must be emailed by or postmarked by February 15, 2026)

WTS- Maine Chapter 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 Month and Year 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. Please list any school, professional or community activities in which you have participated. Include offices held and awards received. Attach additional sheets, if necessary, as typed word documents.

III. Employment History

Work Experience. Please list full-time, part-time, co-op and summer employment. Briefly describe duties and responsibilities. Attach additional sheets, if necessary, as typed word documents.

IV. Recommendation: Two Letters of recommendation by professors or advisers or supervisors must accompany your application in a separate, sealed envelope. If the individuals providing the recommendation would prefer, they can mail or email their recommendations directly to: Rebecca Bian at the address above.

V. Personal Statement: A statement about your career goals and/or continuing education 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. Statements should not exceed 500 words. Please attach to application form as a typed word document.

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

VII. Demographic Information: WTS is committed to recognizing the achievements of students pursuing transportation-related degrees. To track our progress in reaching diverse applicants, we ask that you complete this confidential demographic information. **This is not required for scholarship awards and will not be used in the selection process.**

1. Race/Ethnicity (select all that apply)

- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black
- ☐ East Indian
- ☐ Hispanic/Latino
- ☐ Indigenous
- ☐ Middle Eastern
- ☐ Multiracial
- ☐ Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other (Please write in) _____
- ☐ Choose Not to Disclose

2. Age

- ☐ 15-18
- ☐ 19-23
- ☐ 24-30
- ☐ 31-50
- ☐ 50 +

3. Anticipated or Current Mode of Transportation Career Focus (select all that apply)

- ☐ Aviation
- ☐ Freight
- ☐ Highway/Auto
- ☐ Maritime/Port
- ☐ Multi-Modal
- ☐ Non-Motorized
- ☐ Passenger
- ☐ Transit
- ☐ Other (Please write in) _____

4. How did you hear about this scholarship?

- ☐ Friend
- ☐ School/Teacher
- ☐ Social Media:
 - ☐ Facebook
 - ☐ Instagram
 - ☐ LinkedIn
 - ☐ Snapchat
 - ☐ TikTok
 - ☐ Twitter
 - ☐ YouTube
 - ☐ Other (Please write in) _____
- ☐ WTS Chapter
- ☐ WTS International Website
- ☐ Other (Please write in) _____

Applicant Signature_____Date_____