WTS Pittsburgh Chapter Leadership Legacy Scholarship for Graduates 2018/2019

WTS launched the Leadership Legacy Scholarship in 2007. This award recognizes 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 mission to build the transportation industry through the global advancement of women can be realized 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 Pittsburgh Chapter of WTS is accepting applications for the Leadership Legacy Scholarship from Pennsylvania graduate students. The Pittsburgh Chapter recipient will receive a $2,500 scholarship and her application will be forwarded for consideration for the national-level scholarship of $5000.

In order to qualify for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

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.

Applications must be submitted through local WTS Pittsburgh Chapter as typed Word documents. 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. The local award winner will be announced in early 2019 and honored at the WTS Pittsburgh Scholarship Awards Banquet in the spring of 2019. National awards will be presented during the WTS Annual Conference in Boston in May, 2019. Attendance at the awards dinner is strongly recommended for scholarship recipients.
There are two ways to submit your application:

1) **On paper** – fill out this application form, print and mail it to the address below with the required attachments (personal statement, proof of enrollment, transcript, and recommendations).

   PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE.

   **Ms. Jennifer K. McCracken, P.E., PTOE**
   **WTS Scholarship Committee**
   **AECOM**
   **707 Grant Street, 5th Floor**
   **Pittsburgh, PA 15219**

2) **Via e-mail** – you may submit this application form and/or required attachments directly to the WTS-Pittsburgh Scholarship Committee using the e-mail address:

   **jennifer.mccracken@aecom.com**

*Applications must be received no later than November 9, 2018.*

*Any questions about the application process can be e-mailed to Barb Sloan at: bsloan@camsys.com*
Leadership Legacy Scholarship for Graduates 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, as typed word documents.)
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.

Applicant Signature__________________________________________ Date___________________