



*Advancing Women in Transportation*  
Orange County Chapter

## **Orange County Undergraduate Scholarships**

The Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) is a national organization of transportation professionals with more than 5,000 members who are committed to excellence in the transportation industry. The organization provides a neutral forum for the exchange of information, ideas and experiences; encourages the professional development of its members; and promotes industry recognition of women in the field of transportation.

Part of the WTS goal of fostering the development of women in the transportation field can be realized by encouraging bright new professionals to undertake careers in the area of transportation. Through the generous contributions of our local chapter and individual members and supporters, we are able to award two scholarships that recognize the potential contributions of an undergraduate student.

WTS Orange County will award undergraduate scholarships in the amount of at least \$1,500. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- ✧ Open to women only
- ✧ GPA of 3.0 or higher
- ✧ Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance or logistics
- ✧ Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field

The top winners of WTS' Orange County undergraduate scholarships will go on to compete for one of two National WTS scholarships: Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship (an amount of \$3,000) and the Louise Moritz Leadership Fund for Undergraduates (an amount of \$3,000).

**Note:** Applications must be submitted through local WTS chapters. The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant's specific transportation involvement and goals, job skills and academic record. Minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

Please return the completed application to:

Lynn Gilbert  
c/o WTS Orange County  
PO Box 10177  
Santa Ana, CA 92711-0177  
Telephone: (714) 481-8026 Fax: (714) 545-8883  
You can request an e-mail copy from [lgilbert@psomas.com](mailto:lgilbert@psomas.com)

**Applications must be returned no later than November 12, 2008.**



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The top winners of the WTS Orange County scholarships will go on to compete nationally for the following undergraduate scholarships:

## **Sharon D. Banks Memorial Scholarship**

The scholarship honors Sharon D. Banks, chief executive officer of AC Transit in Alameda-Contra Costa County, California. As CEO for most of the 1990's, Sharon led the agency in a pioneering effort to introduce cultural and organizational changes aimed at motivating the public transit work force. She was a member of the WTS Advisory Board and received the WTS San Francisco Chapter Women and Employer of the Year awards.

The Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship is in the amount of \$3,000.

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## **Louise Moritz Molitoris Leadership**

The purpose of the Louise Moritz Molitoris Leadership Fund is to motivate and reward women who demonstrate leadership in the transportation industry. The leadership, skills and perspective of women are essential to assure that the transportation systems of the future respond to the needs of all. Leadership does not just happen. Leaders personally invest and risk much. They must take on struggles that many would avoid and persevere to reach successful outcomes. These qualities should receive special attention in the selection of the award winner.

The Louise Moritz Molitoris Leadership Fund is for undergraduates and the award is in the amount of \$3,000.



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## WTS' Orange County Undergraduate Scholarship Application

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### I. Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Current Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
City State Zip Telephone

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
City State Zip Telephone

### 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:

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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.)

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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.)

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**IV. Recommendation:** Letter 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. Statement should not exceed 500 words or two pages. Please attach to application form.

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

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_