

# **Wanda J. Schafer Graduate Scholarship/(Helene M Overly) Scholarship Application**

## **Application Checklist**

**Please ensure you have completed and enclosed the following items before submitting your application. Items may come in separate envelopes or emails, but each item must be submitted by the deadline or your application will not be evaluated. Applicants who submit incomplete applications will not be contacted to submit missing pieces, even if applications are received before the deadline.**

- Typed Application in **both** Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats filled out completely and signed
- Official copy of your transcript
- Two Letters of recommendation
- Personal statement
- Proof of enrollment
- First semester students only: First Semester Student Form
- First semester students only: Official copy of undergraduate transcript

## **Wanda J. Schafer Graduate Scholarship**

The Wanda Schafer Graduate Scholarship was established in 2002 by the Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter of the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS). The scholarship is designed to encourage women to pursue career paths in transportation. The scholarship is awarded to women pursuing graduate studies in transportation or a related field.

As a tribute to Ms. Wanda Schafer, the first president of the DFW Chapter of WTS, the Board of Directors voted to name the annual WTS graduate scholarship, the Wanda J. Schafer Graduate Scholarship, to honor Wanda for her dedicated service to WTS. Wanda became a WTS member and chapter president in 1989. She brought with her 20 years of experience in public service, tremendous organizational abilities, and a spirit of determination that helped WTS nearly double its membership in two years.

The Wanda J. Schafer Graduate Scholarship is in the amount of \$2,500. The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- a. Open to women
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- c. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics in certain universities in Texas<sup>1</sup>.
- d. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field
- e. 2019 – 2020 Wanda J. Schafer Scholarship winner is not eligible

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 contact your local WTS chapter at the address listed below for specifics.

In addition, local DFW Chapter scholarship recipients will be forwarded for consideration of WTS Foundation level scholarships.

**Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.** Please return the completed application to:

Angela Hranicky  
Hayden Consultants, Inc.  
5646 Milton St., Suite 500  
Dallas, Texas 75206  
Phone: (214) 753-8119  
E-mail: ahranicky@haydenconsultants.com

**Typed Applications in both Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats must be post marked no later than Friday, November 5, 2021.**

**Winner will be contacted via phone the week of December 13, 2021.**

**\*\*Applications submitted by email are preferred, but mailed applications will be considered if an original signature is present on the signed application, the application is submitted in Word format, all required documents are submitted and an official transcript is mailed separately. Contact Angela Hranicky with any questions.**

**E-mailed applications must be received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 5, 2021.**

**\*\*FIRST SEMESTER STUDENTS: Please contact Angela Hranicky in advance for requirements related to official transcripts\*\***

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<sup>1</sup> See attached page for list of eligible universities in Texas. Students at other schools in Texas should apply to the Heart of Texas, Houston or San Antonio chapters, depending on eligibility.

# Women's Transportation Seminar

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## I. Personal Information

## **Name Personal Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last First

Middle

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

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Permanent Address (Street, City, State, Zip):

## 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.)

## 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.)

**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. Statement 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\_\_\_\_\_

**Please note: changes have been made to the list of eligible schools for each WTS chapter in Texas. Make sure to check this list before submitting an application.**

**\*Students attending a school in Oklahoma are no longer eligible in Texas and must apply to the WTS Oklahoma Chapter**

### **Eligible Universities for DFW Chapter Scholarships**

Dallas Baptist University, LeTourneau University, Paul Quinn College, Southern Methodist University, Tarleton State University, Texas Christian University, Texas Wesleyan University, University of Dallas, University of North Texas, University of Texas at Arlington, University of Texas at Dallas, other universities in North Texas.

### **Eligible Colleges/Universities for Heart of Texas Chapter Scholarships**

Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Arkansas State University, Austin Community College, Baylor University, John Brown University, New Mexico State University, New Mexico Tech, Temple College, Texas A&M University – Central Texas, Texas State University – San Marcos, University of Arkansas, University of Central Arkansas, University of New Mexico, University of Texas at Austin, other schools in Central Texas, other schools in Arkansas, other schools in New Mexico

### **Eligible Colleges/Universities for Houston Chapter Scholarships**

Grambling State University, Houston Community College, Kilgore College, Lamar University, Lee College, Lon Morris College, Louisiana College, Louisiana State University, Louisiana State University – Shreveport, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Northwestern State University, Paris Junior College, Prairie View A&M University, Rice University, San Jacinto College, Southern University and A&M College, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas A&M University, Texas Southern University, Tulane University, Tyler Junior College, University of Houston, University of Louisiana – Lafayette, University of New Orleans, University of St. Thomas, University of Texas at Tyler, Wharton County Junior College, Xavier University, other schools in Southeast Texas, other schools in East Texas, other schools in Louisiana

### **Eligible Colleges/Universities for San Antonio Chapter Scholarships**

Del Mar College, El Paso Community College, Midwestern State University, Odessa College, South Plains College, South Texas College, Southwest Texas Junior College, St. Mary's University, Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University – Kingsville, Texas Lutheran University, Texas Tech University, The Victoria College, Trinity University, University of Texas at El Paso, University of Texas at San Antonio, University of Texas – Pan American, University of the Incarnate Word, West Texas A&M University, other schools in South Central Texas, other schools in South Texas, other schools in West Texas