WTS Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship

The WTS Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship was established in 1981 by WTS International to encourage women to pursue career paths in transportation. The scholarship is awarded to women pursuing graduate studies in transportation or a related field.

In memory of Helene M. Overly, the first Executive Secretary of WTS, the Board of Directors voted to name the annual WTS graduate scholarship the Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship to honor Helene for her dedicated service to WTS. Helene became a WTS member in 1981. She brought with her 15 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 WTS Greater Kansas City Chapter (WTS-KC) is pleased to offer the Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship in the amount of $1,000. The winner of the Greater Kansas City Chapter Scholarship will be nominated for the WTS International Foundation scholarship of $10,000. The minimum criteria for selection are:

a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
b. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
d. Additional Greater Kansas City Chapter criteria are as follows:
   1. Attended a Metro Kansas City area high school (including public, private or home school institutions) and/or
   2. Attends a regional university not serviced by another WTS chapter offering scholarships

Applications must be submitted to WTS-KC 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. Greater Kansas City chapter awards will be presented at a chapter event in Spring 2017. National awards will be presented on May 18, 2017 during the WTS Annual Conference in New York. If selected for a scholarship, attendance at the awards dinner is strongly recommended. Please contact wtskansascitychapter@gmail.com with any questions.

Please return the completed application by November 4, 2016 to:

Via Mail:
   Kimberly Curry, PE  
   WTS Scholarship Committee  
   Burns & McDonnell  
   9400 Ward Parkway  
   Kansas City, MO 64114

Via E-mail: wtskansascitychapter@gmail.com
WTS Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship Application

I. 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):

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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, as typed word documents.)

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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, 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. 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.

Applicant Signature ____________________________ Date ___________________