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## **Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship**

The Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship was established in 1981 by the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) 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 national Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship is in the amount of \$6,000. The Houston Chapter Graduate Scholarship is in the amount of \$2,000. 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
- d. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field

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. Winners of the local Houston Chapter scholarships will then be sponsored by the Houston Chapter for the national graduate scholarship award of \$6,000. National awards will be presented on May 21, 2009 and attendance at awards dinner is strongly recommended. Please contact the Houston WTS chapter at the address listed below for specifics.

Please return the completed application to:

WTS-Houston Chapter  
Scholarship Committee  
2950 North Loop West, Suite 900  
Houston, Texas 77092

**Applications must be returned no later than November 17, 2008.**





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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:** A 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 750 words or three pages. Please attach to application form.

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

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



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

Del Mar College, Grambling State University, Houston Community College, Lamar University, Lee College, Louisiana College, Louisiana State University, Louisiana State University – Shreveport, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Northwestern State University, Prairie View A&M University, Rice University, San Jacinto College, South Plains College, South Texas College, Southern University and A&M College, Stephen F. Austin State University, Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, Texas A&M University – Galveston, Texas A&M University – Kingsville, Texas Southern University, The Victoria College, Tulane University, University of Houston, University of Louisiana – Lafayette, University of New Orleans, University of St. Thomas, University of Texas – Pan American, Wharton County Junior College, Xavier University