

## **Intelligent Transportation Society of Florida (ITS Florida) Scholarship Program**

One of the goals for ITS Florida is to increase and retain the number of young professionals entering the public transportation field as a career in order to sustain growth and improvement throughout the industry. The ITS Florida Scholarship Program provides scholarships to deserving students—the future leaders of transportation in Florida.

Beginning this year, ITS Florida will award two \$1,500 cash scholarships (one each to a graduate student and an undergraduate student) to enable deserving students to take advantage of the opportunities that can be achieved through education. A stipend will also be provided to scholarship winners who attend an approved ITS Florida or ITS America event. The first ITS Florida scholarships will be awarded at the ITS Florida Annual Meeting at the Deerfield Beach Resort in Deerfield Beach, Florida, on December 2, 2003.

The goals of ITS Florida Scholarship Program are to:

- Provide the opportunity to complete academic requirements to worthy people with financial needs,
- Promote ITS at our academic institutions, and
- Encourage long-term membership development through college students.

### **Program Guidelines**

#### **1. Eligibility**

Candidates must be pursuing a graduate or undergraduate degree at an ITS Florida member institution<sup>1</sup>. Preference will be given to applicants whose principal course work is in transportation engineering, planning, or economics; public administration; or public policy. Candidates pursuing a graduate degree must be majoring in one of the foregoing degree programs. Undergraduate students must be in upper division and on a degree track that would enable them to enter the transportation profession in either the public or private sectors, or continue with graduate school, upon graduation.

#### **2. Application**

Applicants must provide the following:

- (1) Completed application form attached,
- (2) Resume,
- (3) Letter of recommendation from professor or job supervisor,

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<sup>1</sup> Currently University of Central Florida, University of Florida, University of Miami, University of North Florida, University of South Florida, and limited to these for this year.

- (4) Written statement from faculty advisor confirming applicant's academic standing (may be combined with 3 above), and
- (5) Statement/essay on transportation career goals (500 words maximum).

### **3. Selection**

The ITS Florida Scholarship Selection Committee will select the scholarship recipients. The selection criteria includes demonstrated interest in the transportation industry as a career, academic achievement, essay content and quality, need for financial assistance, and involvement in extracurricular citizenship and leadership activities. Selection will be made without regard to disability, race, color, religion, sex, or ethnic origin. It is the intent of this program to provide equal opportunity and consideration to all qualified individuals.

### **4. Timetable**

Scholarships are for the academic period beginning January 2004. All nominations must be received by ITS Florida by November 15, 2003. Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered by the ITS Florida Scholarship Selection Committee. The ITS Florida Scholarship Selection Committee will notify awardees by November 11, 2003. Scholarship award winners will be formally announced at the 2003 ITS Florida Annual Meeting as indicated previously.

*For more information on the ITS Florida Scholarship, please contact Eric Hill, ITS Florida Board of Directors at 407.481.5672 or [ehill@metroplanorlando.com](mailto:ehill@metroplanorlando.com).*

# ITS Florida Scholarship Program Application

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## ***I. Personal Information***

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI

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

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

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

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

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

## ***II. Educational Background***

Current University \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Degree to be Received \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ (Minimum GPA of 3.0 required).

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. Applicant may substitute with resume.

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**IV. Recommendation:** Letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor must accompany your application.

**V. Personal Statement:** Statement/essay on transportation career goals (500 words maximum) must accompany your application

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

Return your application and packet to the following by November 11, 2003 (postmark by November 8 acceptable):

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