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Civil Engineering Scholarship

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Civil Engineering Scholarship Program began in 1948. Currently there are 80 scholarship openings each year and they are filled with returning students and new students. KYTC awards 10-20 scholarships to new students each year who are either attending or planning to attend the University of Kentucky (UK), Western Kentucky University (WKU), or University of Louisville J. B. Speed School of Engineering (UofL) to obtain a Bachelors of Science in Civil Engineering (BSCE). Students may also attend pre-engineering courses at Kentucky State University (KSU), Kentucky Community and Technical College System, or other Kentucky state colleges or universities, and then finish their Bachelors of Science in Civil Engineering at UK, WKU, or UofL.

The Civil Engineering Scholarship can be worth over \$47,000! Some of the benefits during and after completion of the Scholarship Program are:

- 4-year scholarship
- \$5,750/semester for freshmen and sophomores
- \$6,150/semester for juniors and seniors
- Job placement after graduation
- A potentially rewarding and lucrative career

Deadline to apply for this scholarship is March 1.

Scholarship Qualifications

All scholarship recipients must be graduates of an accredited Kentucky high school, or high school graduates who are residents of Kentucky, and must meet the admission requirements of the university and its respective engineering department. It is anticipated that successful applicants for scholarships will have qualifications considerably higher than the minimum required for acceptance into the Department of Engineering. Students who have completed at least 10 semester hours of acceptable work in mathematics, physics, and chemistry at another school are considered to be transfer students and are evaluated under different criteria. Such students should contact the Department of Engineering directly for further information on requirements for admission to the program.

Method of Selection

Selection will be made on a statewide competitive basis. Applicants are selected by the scholarship committees at each university on the basis of scholastic standing, recommendations, and in the case of freshmen, the American College Test (ACT) score. A minimum composite ACT score of 24 is required. Each university will make selections from those who have applied specifically to their school and the scholarship will be available only at the university where the applicant was selected. The applicant's permanent home location and work location preferences are considered and compared to the statewide needs of the Cabinet. Selection will be contingent upon the applicant's background check.

Agreement with the Transportation Cabinet

The scholarship student must agree by contract, with the approval of parent or guardian when the applicant is under twenty-one years of age, to work full time for the Transportation Cabinet immediately after graduation. One year of employment is required for each school year on scholarship. Location of employment will be based upon the student's permanent home location and work county preferences at the time of application. Students will be expected to work in one of the districts where those counties are located. Work location is not guaranteed and is based on the statewide needs of the Cabinet. The Cabinet may provide summer employment for scholarship students if they make reasonable progress in their academic work and prove satisfactory in previous summer employment with the Cabinet.

Conditions of Scholarship

Students awarded scholarships are expected to make normal progress toward a degree. A student who fails to make normal progress toward a degree, does not maintain satisfactory academic standards, or does not perform satisfactorily in their summer work assignment may be dropped from the scholarship program but may reapply when deficiencies are corrected. Upon meeting the above conditions, the scholarship is automatically renewed each year for students who achieve at least a 2.500 GPA, either semester or cumulative, on a 4.000 scale and complete a minimum of 12 credit hours a semester and at least 30 credit hours a year. Grade point averages are cumulative for all credit hours attempted and applicable to the universities' respective civil engineering degrees. Transcripts are to be submitted to the Cabinet at the end of each semester.

Scholarship students will receive a stipend each semester while in school. Freshmen and sophomores will receive a gross amount of \$5,750 each semester, and juniors and seniors will receive a gross amount of \$6,150 each semester. Stipend payments are made directly to the students. Students are then responsible for paying their fees at the university. Stipends are issued around February 1 and October 1 each year. The summer employment salary will be commensurate with employees who have similar qualifications and experience. Both summer salaries and stipends are considered wages and are subject to normal payroll deductions.

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Application for a Transportation Scholarship

Civil Engineering Scholarship Application

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For any questions regarding the program or the application, contact the Scholarship Program Coordinator, Office of Human Resource Management, at 502-564-4610.

Stipends

The Transportation Cabinet agrees to aid the scholarship student with their academic training for the following amount of time which is based on the student's status when they enter the program:

University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky University, University of Louisville

Freshman	8 checks within 4 years
Sophomore	6 checks within 3 years
Junior	4 checks within 2 years
Senior	2 checks within 1 year

Kentucky State University (3 years at KSU, 2 years at UK)

Freshman	10 checks within 5 years
Sophomore	8 checks within 4 years
Junior	6 checks within 3 years
Senior	4 checks within 2 years
Senior	2 checks within 1 year

For KSU students, a 5-year scholarship is used to complete the dual-degree program through Kentucky State University (BA in Applied Math) and University of Kentucky (BSCE).

Summer Employment

The Transportation Cabinet may provide summer employment at the following rates to scholarship students as long as they make reasonable progress in their academic work and prove satisfactory in their job performance.

University Credit Hours Earned	Monthly Salary Rate
0-29	\$1,604.70/month
30-59	\$1,684.94/month
60-89	\$1,765.24/month
90-120	\$1,853.25/month
120+	\$1,941.56/month

