2016 TEXAS DISTRICT FELLOWSHIPS

Call for Candidates

Up to two fellowships of $1000 each may be awarded annually to the two highest ranked candidates from the Texas District. Recipients must enter full-time graduate study in transportation within 12 months of the closing date of the applications.

Candidates must meet the following criteria:

- Earned or will have earned a Bachelor’s Degree by December 31, 2016.
- Qualified for unconditional admission to a graduate study program at one of the universities within the Texas District.
- Eligible to begin graduate study in transportation on a full-time basis in January 2017.
- Planning to pursue a Master’s Degree in transportation engineering, with the principal course work in traffic engineering, geometric design, and/or transportation planning.

Doctoral students are not eligible to apply. If a candidate has previously received a Texas District Fellowship, he or she is not eligible to reapply.

Applications for these fellowships must include:

- A completed application.
- An essay, written by the candidate, explaining his or her reasons for pursuing a graduate degree in transportation and outlining career objectives. The essay should be no longer than 2 single-spaced typewritten pages.
- A copy of the candidate’s resume, indicating academic and professional experience, awards, etc.
- A list of proposed courses for each prospective university listed on the application form.
- Three completed reference forms from the references named on the application.
- An official transcript from each university the candidate has attended or is currently attending.

Applications must be submitted electronically to Melisa Finley, Texas District Award Coordinator, at awards@texite.org by midnight (CDT) on October 31, 2016. The TexITE Awards Committee will meet to rank the eligible candidates and select the top two individuals. Questions regarding this call for candidates should be directed to Melisa Finley at 979-845-7596 or awards@texite.org.
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Application Form

Deadline: October 31, 2016

1. Name: ____________________________________________

2. Preferred mailing address, email, and phone number for the period of November 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016 (this will be the information used to notify you of the status of your application):
   Street/P.O. Box _______________________________________
   City, State, Postal Code __________________________________
   Daytime Phone Number __________________________________
   Evening Phone Number __________________________________
   Email ________________________________________________

3. In order of preference, indicate the university you would like to attend:

   A. University _________________________________________
      City ______________________________________________
      Department _________________________________________
      Degree ___________________________________________
      Expected Start Date _________________________________

   B. University _________________________________________
      City ______________________________________________
      Department _________________________________________
      Degree ___________________________________________
      Expected Start Date _________________________________
C. University__________________________________________________________
   City ________________________________________________________________
   Department _________________________________ ______________________________
   Degree______________________________________________________________
   Expected Start Date __________________________________________________

4. Names of three references, each of whom is familiar with your academic and/or professional experience and ability. It is your responsibility to ensure that each reference receives and completes a reference form (attached) and returns it directly to Melisa Finley at awards@texite.org no later than October 31, 2016.

   A.______________________________________________________________
   B.______________________________________________________________
   C.______________________________________________________________

5. University Experience:

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6. I certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct:

Signature: ____________________________________________ Date: ___________

It is the applicant’s responsibility to make sure that all items arrive on or before October 31, 2016. Any applications with missing or incomplete items will not be considered.

Please send all application materials to:
Melisa Finley
Texas District Awards Coordinator
awards@texite.org
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Reference Form

Deadline: October 31, 2016

___________________ (Name of Applicant) has submitted an application for a Texas District Fellowship. This fellowship is for qualified students to pursue a Master’s Degree in transportation engineering, with the principal course work in traffic engineering, geometric design, and/or transportation planning. The applicant has submitted your name as a reference. Please give us your frank evaluation of the applicant’s academic and/or professional experience. Your reply will be kept confidential.

1. Do you have a personal knowledge of the duties, scope, and importance of the applicant’s professional work and/or academic studies (please check one answer)?
   _____ Yes
   _____ No (If no, please skip the remaining questions, sign, and return this form).

2. How many years have you known the applicant? ________________________________

3. Please describe your relationship to the applicant. In what capacity have you observed his or her skills and abilities? (Attach additional sheets as necessary.)
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4. Why do you feel the applicant should be selected to receive one of the TexITE District Fellowships? (Attach additional sheets as necessary.)

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Your name: ____________________________________________
Title: ________________________________________________
Agency/Firm/University: ________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
Daytime Phone Number: ________________________________
Email: _______________________________________________

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