



**Civil Engineering**



**Construction Management**



**Civil Engineering Technology**

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet  
has career opportunities in these areas:

- Right of Way & Utilities
- Construction
- Environmental Analysis
- Geotech
- Materials
- Maintenance
- Planning
- Highway & Structural Design
- Traffic Operations
- Administration



# Scholarship Application

Since 1948, the Kentucky Transportation Scholarship Program has provided highly qualified individuals to fill the needs and improve the overall engineering expertise within the Transportation Cabinet. The program promotes training and employment opportunities after graduation. The Cabinet will award scholarships to qualified individuals who wish to study Civil Engineering, Construction Management, or Civil Engineering Technology at an accredited Kentucky college or university.

## Qualifications

All scholarship recipients must be graduates of an accredited high school and must meet the admission requirements of the school where they are applying.

*\*GED may be accepted for Civil Engineering Technology Scholarship.*

## Method of Selection

Selection will be made on a statewide competitive basis and based on scholastic standing, recommendations, and the American college Test (ACT) score. A minimum composite ACT score of 24 is required. The selection process is multi-tiered and includes input from each university, KYTC staff, management, and personnel. Tier 1 is a review of all applications and supporting materials to determine eligibility. Tier 2 is a review of all applicants by scholarship committees at the universities. Each university will recommend their top selections from those that have applied specifically to their school and the scholarship will be available only at the university(s) where the applicant was selected. Tier 3 is KYTC-conducted interviews with applicants that were recommended by the university scholarship committees. Tier 4 is the final selections by the KYTC Scholarship Selection Committee based on the projected statewide employment needs and the overall assessments of all applicants. The committee makes recommendations to the State Highway Engineer/Cabinet Secretary. Background checks are completed. Tier 5 is the approval of the selections by the State Highway Engineer/Cabinet Secretary. Tier 6 is the offers of scholarship to the approved applicants. All applicants are notified of their status by mail, email, or phone before May 1.

## Your Transportation Cabinet Agreement

The scholarship student must agree by contract, with the approval of parent or guardian when applicant is under eighteen years of age, to work full-time for the Cabinet immediately after graduation. One year of employment is required for each school year on scholarship. Location of employment will be based on the needs of the Cabinet. Consideration will be given to the student's work location preferences. Work location is not guaranteed and ultimately is based on the statewide needs of the Cabinet. The Cabinet requires summer employment for scholarship students.

## 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 or co-op 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 universities' respective degrees.

Scholarship students will receive a stipend each semester while in school. 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 is based on the number of credit hours earned. Both summer salaries and stipends are considered wages and are subject to normal payroll deductions. Stipend amounts are periodically increased to keep up with the increase in tuition. Refer to the scholarship webpage listed at the bottom for current amounts.

**Freshman applicants** must submit (1) the completed application, (2) a copy of their official high school transcript, (3) a copy of their senior classes and current grades (if not shown on high school transcript), (4) a copy of their official ACT score report (if the ACT score is shown on the transcript), (5) two recommendation letters (one from a guidance counselor or principal and one from a math teacher who is acquainted with the student's scholastic achievements), (6) a short essay\*, and (7) resume listing any work and/or volunteer experience as well as extra-curricular activities.

**Note that it is essential that the applicant take the ACT before submitting application packet.**

**Sophomore, Junior, and Senior** applicants must submit: (1) the completed application, (2) their official college transcripts, (3) two recommendation letters from college instructors, (4) a short essay\*, and (5) resume listing any work and/or volunteer experience as well as extra-curricular activities.

Applicants may complete pre-engineering requirements at KCTCS or other Kentucky state university prior to transferring and completing their degree at one of the listed schools. These students are responsible for all academic and administrative procedures necessary to assure that all courses taken will transfer between the two schools. Applicants must indicate on the scholarship application the school he or she will attend to complete the degree.

*\*The short essay must be typed and describe the applicants' interest in a career with the Transportation Cabinet.*

Return the scholarship application packet by **February 1** to:

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet  
State Highway Engineer's office  
Scholarship Coordinator  
200 Mero Street, 6th Floor East  
Frankfort, KY 40622

DO NOT submit the scholarship application to the University's Admissions Office with the application for admission.

For more information, contact 502-782-4970  
<https://transportation.ky.gov/Education>





## Civil Engineering Scholarship Program

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## Construction Management Scholarship Program

The Construction Management Scholarship was started in 2023 to provide highly qualified Transportation Engineer Technologists to fill the needs of the Cabinet statewide. Scholarships up to \$59,200\* are awarded to qualified candidates pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Construction Management at Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, or Western Kentucky University.



## Civil Engineering Technology Scholarship Program

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet started the Civil Engineering Technology Scholarship in 2009. Scholarship awards are up to \$14,800\* (\$3,700 per semester) to complete an Associate's Degree in Civil Engineering Technology. They are awarded to qualified candidates pursuing an Associate's Degree in Civil Engineering Technology at Bluegrass Community and Technical College in Lexington, Kentucky or Big Sandy Community and Technical College in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Cabinet has worked with the schools to develop a program that will prepare students for work with the Cabinet upon graduation.

*\* Award amounts as of 9/20/23. Please check our website for current information.*



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