



Wilbur Smith Rotary Club

Graduate Scholarship Application

2017-2018



The Wilbur Smith Rotary Graduate Scholarship is intended to meet the needs of service minded graduate students who plan on attending Texarkana's local university, Texas A&M University Texarkana. Current Wilbur Smith Rotarians are not eligible to receive this scholarship. Graduate applicants must have maintained a 3.0 GPA during Undergraduate School (for 1st year graduate students) or a current 3.0 GPA for students currently enrolled. Because these funds are limited, we ask that you only apply if you meet these criteria.

Scholarship decisions will be based primarily upon need, with consideration given to academic achievement, participation in the community, and future leadership potential. Applications will be accepted from June 1, 2017 through July 15, 2017.

Graduate Student scholarships include one year of FREE Wilbur Smith Rotary Club Membership, a wonderful opportunity for a local graduate student to become immersed in the social network of the business community. Scholarship acceptance will be contingent upon student's commitment to attend no less than 50% of Rotary meetings every Thursday at noon (food is served!) and to participate in no less than 3 flag day projects (flag delivery, construction, or loading).

By submitting this application, you are agreeing to these terms – with the understanding that 2nd semester disbursement will be withheld if these terms are not upheld.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT DUE TO THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED APPLICANTS, NOT EVERY APPLICANT WILL RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP EVEN IF YOU ARE SELECTED FOR AN INTERVIEW.

We thank you for your interest and recognize your hard work and effort during undergraduate school. We wish you luck in your future endeavors whether we can award you a scholarship or not.

A complete application package must include the following information. (Please double check):

- Completed Application Form
- Transcript (Official or Unofficial)
- One letter of recommendation
- Proof of Admissions
- Resume'

For more information or to submit an application, please email

WSRotaryScholarships@gmail.com

You may also mail completed packets to:
Wilbur Smith Rotary Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1341 Texarkana, TX 75504

Wilbur Smith Rotary Club Graduate Scholarship Application Form

I, _____, have read and understand the conditions of the Wilbur Smith Rotary Scholarship as explained in the introduction. I affirm that I plan to pursue a graduate degree at Texas A&M University-Texarkana in the Fall of 2017. I understand that this application will be available only to qualified members of the scholarship committee who need to see it in the course of their duties to select scholars. If selected as a Wilbur Smith Graduate Scholar, I agree to attend no less than 50% of Rotary meetings every Thursday at noon and to participate in at least 3 flag day projects for the year. I understand that this membership is free for one year. I affirm that this application, is my own work. I affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date _____ Signature _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
Name:		
Date of birth:		
Cell Phone:	Home Phone:	
E-mail:		
Mailing address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Permanent Address: <small>(If different than mailing)</small>		
City:	State:	Zip:
SCHOOL INFORMATION		
Institution of Undergraduate:		
Current Cumulative GPA:	On a Scale of:	
Undergraduate Degree Earned:		
Have you been accepted?	Date of Registration:	
Your Planned Graduate Concentration(s):		
# of College Credits Earned:		
Expected Date of Graduation:		

Name: _____

Describe one specific example of your leadership.

Describe a recent particularly satisfying public service activity

More than 60 years ago, in the midst of the Great Depression, a U.S. Rotarian devised a simple, four-part ethical guideline that helped him rescue a beleaguered business. The statement and the principles it embodied also helped many others find their own ethical compass. Soon embraced and popularized by Rotary International, The Four-Way Test today stands as one of the organization's hallmarks. It may very well be one of the most famous statements of our century.

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all Concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Please list below what addition to the Four Way Test you might suggest – a 5th “thing that all Rotarians should say and do” – and why

Working with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Rotary International has worked to create a new reality regarding a horrible disease - the world is 99 percent polio-free. India is no longer polio-endemic. We are closer than ever to ending the crippling disease for good with only a few cases remaining.

Please list below what specific disease/epidemic/cause you would present for consideration to the John F. Germ, the President of Rotary International and Bill & Melinda Gates, and how it has personally effected your life.

What additional personal information do you wish to share with the Wilbur Smith Rotary Scholarship Committee?

APPLICATIONS MUST BE EMAILED OR POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JULY 15, 2017

Please mail completed applications and the documentation required to:

Attn: Wilbur Smith Rotary Scholarship Committee

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