Pioneer Transfer Student Scholarship

Pioneer Natural Resources has created a Pioneer Transfer Scholarship for GIS of $3,000 to a student with a high GPA at a local community college who is interested in continuing his/her studies at the University of Texas at Dallas’s nationally accredited GIS program. The scholarship may be renewable for the following year, providing a minimum GPA of 3.5 is maintained and the awardee maintains a mentor relationship with Pioneer. This scholarship seeks to encourage a high performing student with an associate degree to continue his or her education to obtaining a bachelor’s degree. The student receiving the Pioneer Transfer Scholarship for GIS must be a U.S. citizen.

The recipient must be an undergraduate in good standing who has already been accepted into the GIS program, but prospective students can alternatively submit an application for the Pioneer Transfer Student Scholarship in conjunction with their application to the program. Students must also collaborate on a research project with their Pioneer mentor. Financial need may be used as a secondary criterion, but selection shall be weighted more heavily on the strength of the application.

An application for a scholarship MUST include:
1. This scholarship application form, completed in full and signed.
2. A current Academic Transcript.
3. The names of two college faculty members willing to serve as references.

All students who are awarded this scholarship MUST sign a 3rd Party Release of Information, in accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), allowing UT Dallas/Donor to use application material for scholarship purposes. This form will be provided with the award letter.

Only COMPLETE applications received prior to the posted deadline will be considered. An applicant will receive a decision notification by mail and/or email. Completed applications should be turned into the GIS Program Head, Dr. Fang Qiu (ffqiu@utdallas.edu).

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Citizenship: [ ] US Citizen [ ] Other
Personal Narrative

Please complete and include a one-page statement telling us why you feel you should receive this scholarship, and how this scholarship will add to your educational goals. Be sure to tell us about your academic and professional goals, as well as any work experience. Also discuss how GIS might be used for research in collaboration with Pioneer.

Include the scholarship name and your name on your narrative page.

UTD Academic Demographic Information

Current Academic Level: [ ] Freshman [ ] Sophomore [ ] Junior [ ] Senior

Major: ________________________ Cumulative GPA: _________

Activities and Achievements

Indicate membership(s) in scholastic honorary organizations or other university and/or civic groups. Please list any elected positions or offices held in the organizations:

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List honors, prizes, awards for scholastic and/or creative achievement. You can also list published papers, research, papers presented in conferences and previous professional employment:

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Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate. I understand that providing false or misleading information on this application or with other documentation may disqualify me for consideration of my application or disbursement of scholarship funding. Further, I understand that the information will be used by donors, the Committee on Student Fellowships and Scholarships, and/or other recognized university scholarship committee(s) to evaluate and award scholarships. I understand that I will need to provide the scholarship committee with a narrative of my educational experiences and the value added to my educational goals. I authorize the University to release to the donor(s) and/or the media any information concerning scholarship(s) I may receive.

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Student’s Signature                      Date