J. Paul Blakely Scholarship
2005 Call for Applications

Entries are now being accepted for the J. Paul Blakely Scholarship. This annual scholarship is awarded by the East Tennessee Chapter of the Society for Technical Communication (STC) on the basis of merit and professional promise. The scholarship amount to be awarded in 2005 is $800.

The scholarship is open to undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled in colleges or universities in East Tennessee and are pursuing a degree or concentration (major or minor) in scientific, technical, or medical communication in preparation for a career in academia, government, industry, research, or technical/news media. Applications must include the following:

- Cover letter formally applying for the scholarship
- Resume
- Transcript (an unofficial transcript is acceptable)
- Sample of the applicant’s own writing on a scientific or technical subject
- Sample of a technical document such as a report, proposal, handbook, newsletter, brochure, Web page (provide URL), or set of instructions to which the applicant has made significant contributions (e.g., editing, writing, designing), and an explanation of the applicant’s role in preparing the document
- Autobiographical essay (one or two pages) including a description of the applicant’s educational and career plans and how those career plans are related to the field of technical communication
- Contact information for two references (name, title, relationship to applicant, postal address, e-mail address, phone number), including a college professor and a colleague or client.

Provide three copies of the application in separate envelopes marked as follows:

2005 J. Paul Blakely Scholarship
(Applicant’s Name)

Submit your materials to Dr. Russel Hirst by noon on February 18, 2005. Deliver them in person to the departmental secretaries in 311 McClung Tower or mail them in a large envelope addressed to:

Dr. Russel Hirst
Department of English
311 McClung Tower
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, TN  37996-0430

The winner will receive the scholarship award at a chapter banquet in the spring of 2005.

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