College Scholarships and Laptop Award Programs
For the 2015-2016 Academic Year

The Michigan Council of Women in Technology (MCWT) Foundation is pleased to announce its scholarship and laptop programs for the 2015-2016 academic year. MCWT and its Foundation is offering one high school senior, one GET IT club high school senior, one undergraduate-level and one graduate-level college scholarship for women who are currently or will be enrolled full time in college-level courses for the 2015-2016 academic year at a Michigan university.

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<th>Scholarship or Grant</th>
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<td>High School Senior Scholarship</td>
<td>$5,000*</td>
<td>3 additional years</td>
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<td>GET IT (Girls Exploring Together – Information Technology)</td>
<td>$5,000*</td>
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<td>Undergraduate Scholarship</td>
<td>$5,000*</td>
<td>2 additional years</td>
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<td>Graduate Scholarship</td>
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<td>Laptop Computer(s)</td>
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The application deadline is January 31, 2015 to be considered for the 2015 fall semester. Late applications will not be accepted.

*The annual scholarship award amount is divided per semester or trimester. The scholarship recipient must maintain an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and continue studies in a qualified major/degree program at a Michigan university to remain eligible for each subsequent semester to receive scholarship payment. Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the Financial Aid office of the college where the recipient is enrolled.

**Eligibility**

An applicant must be a female high-school student (entering college), undergraduate or graduate level student who is:
- A resident of the state of Michigan
- A student with a 3.0 GPA or better
- Enrolled (or will be enrolled) in a Michigan university
- Enrolled (or will be enrolled) in an Information Technology program
- A United States citizen
QUALIFIED MAJORS / DEGREE PROGRAMS
Each applicant must be enrolled during the grant period in a full-time undergraduate or graduate degree program in majors such as: Information Systems, Business Applications, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Assurance, Software Engineering, Computer Information Systems, Digital Forensics, Business Analytics for Information Science, Software Engineering. This is not a complete list but rather serves as examples.

NOTE: Programs in which technology is a secondary element, such as Computer Aided Design, Library Science, Biomedical Engineering, Architecture, Mechanical Engineering, Finance, Psychology, or Marketing are NOT eligible for this scholarship. If your degree program is not specified above, please verify eligibility by e-mailing info@mcwt.org.

The MCWT Foundation does not consider non-merit factors such as race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, or mental/physical disability in awarding this scholarship. U.S. Citizenship is required.

APPLYING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP
Applicants can obtain a scholarship application from the MCWT website (www.mcwt.org) beginning Oct. 1. Click on the Foundation tab and then the University link. Alternatively, interested applicants may request the application via email to info@mcwt.org.

Check-list of required documents (electronic documents preferred):
1. Scholarship application (Please avoid scanning your application, due to readability issues.) Please save it with your name as the file name, then email as an attachment.
2. A copy of your most recent transcript (It may be non-official but MCWT Foundation may request an official copy at the Finalist stage.)
3. Two letters of recommendation (see below). These letters may be emailed separately from your application. Electronic delivery is preferred.

Email attachments to: info@mcwt.org
- OR -
Send paper to:
MCWT Attention: Scholarship
PO Box 214585
Auburn Hills MI 48321
Put “Scholarship” in subject line

Please do not send paper files that duplicate electronic files. You may email to inquire if your application and supporting documents were received. Finalists will be invited to a personal interview or a telephone interview.

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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Provide 2 letters of recommendation from current or former instructors, principals, religious leaders, coaches or other community leaders. Email attachments on letterhead are preferred to paper letters. Each letter must include at a minimum:

- Applicant's name
- How the writer knows the applicant, and for what period of time
- Evaluation of applicant's technical aptitude
- Applicant's personal strengths and accomplishments
- Other information or factors pertinent to the applicant's potential for success
- Writer's name and title/position and contact information

NOTIFICATION

Scholarship and Laptop winners will be notified in writing (email or letter) or via telephone. Recipients are invited with up to 2 guests to the MCWT Foundation Scholarship Award ceremony in May. Winners must also be willing to have their names, short biographies, images and other information distributed by the MCWT Foundation, and mentioned on the Foundation’s Website.

Recipients will also receive a one-year MCWT membership and are encouraged to support or volunteer at MCWT-sponsored events such as the Golf Outing or Camp Infinity, the technology summer camp for girls.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

♦ Unused funds may be applied toward the next semester's costs until the end of the fourth year or graduation, at which point remaining funds must be returned to the MCWT Foundation. If the recipient changes to an ineligible field of study, graduates, transfers to a non-Michigan university or ceases enrollment altogether, any unused funds must be returned to the MCWT Foundation.

♦ At the end of each semester, the recipient must submit a copy of her transcript to the MCWT Scholarship committee before the funds for the next semester will be provided. If a recipient's GPA drops below 3.0, she will be placed on a one-time probation for 1 semester and no scholarship funds will be provided for that semester. If she achieves the minimum GPA of 3.0 during the probationary semester and continues in a qualified major, the scholarship payments will resume. If, however, the GPA falls below 3.0 for any two semesters, the scholarship will be terminated completely.

MCWT and its Foundation provide leadership, mentoring, community outreach, professional development and networking to women within the Michigan technology community. These scholarships and laptop awards are intended to encourage and support women with the interest, the aptitude, and the potential for a successful career in Information Technology. MCWT and its Foundation reserve the right to choose not to award a scholarship in one or more categories.