

# WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

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## **Zonta International Women in Technology (ZIWIT) Scholarship Committee**

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# ZONTA'S MISSION AND VISION

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## **Mission Statement**

Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women through service and advocacy.

## **Vision Statement**

Zonta International envisions a world in which women's rights are recognized as human rights and every woman is able to achieve her full potential.

In such a world, women have access to all resources and are represented in decision making positions on an equal basis with men. In such a world, no woman lives in fear of violence.



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The world economy, industry and sciences are becoming increasingly digitized, and these developments are disrupting society and familiar social processes. Women, however, are still largely underrepresented in technology fields. To create a world in which men and women have equal opportunities, women need to have an active role in technology and technological developments.



Zonta International is pleased to offer its new Zonta International Women in Technology Scholarship to encourage women to pursue education, career opportunities and leadership roles in technology.



# ELIGIBILITY AND SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

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## Eligibility

Women (no age limit) pursuing a technology degree or closely related program, who demonstrate outstanding potential in the field, are eligible to apply. Women not enrolled in a university are also eligible as long as they submit:

- Evidence of completed trainings and outstanding performance
- Description of current job with information about path that led to that job
- Employer confirmation and recommendation or client testimonial supported by evidence
- Reason for applying and description of desired career
- Evidence of educational project plan (e.g. proof of course opportunities)
- Golden Z club members may apply.

## Scholarship Amount

For the launch of this pilot program, the Zonta International Foundation will award up to US\$112,000 in scholarships: 32 district/region scholarships of US\$2,000 each and six international scholarships of US\$8,000 each.



# HELPFUL CONTEXT FOR TECHNOLOGY

## Technology

*Computer science:* Field of using algorithms to communicate information. CS can be divided into practical and theoretical realms. These realms can include programming languages, computer graphics, complex computational theory and very large-scale integration.

*Information systems:* Includes acquiring, formatting, holding, and retrieving information. This area refers both to the computer systems that contain the information and to the people who process the information into the system, with a focus on business and people

*Information technology:* Involves the software and hardware aspects of our technological world. The main purpose is to create, exchange, accesses or secure digital data.



# TECHNOLOGY DEGREE / CAREER PATHS

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## Example List

Please note this is ***not*** an exhaustive list and should be used for general guidance in considering eligibility. Committees and chairs are encourage to reach out to the International Committee for additional help or questions.

Analyst IT/IS  
Application Development  
Computer Forensics  
Computer Hardware Engineer  
Computer Network Architect  
Computer Science  
Computer Programming  
Cybersecurity  
Database Administrator

Desktop Support  
Digital Forensics Technology  
Enterprise Architecture  
Enterprise Network Management  
Helpdesk Support/Management  
Information Communication  
Information Security  
IT/IS Project Management  
Network Administrator

Network Engineering  
Networking Technology  
Software Developer  
Software Engineering  
Social Media  
Technology Management  
Video Game Programming  
Web Developer/Development  
ICT – CIO – CTO

**Examples to be EXCLUDED for this scholarship** Aerospace Engineering, Biological/Chemical/Petroleum Engineering, Biology, Chemistry, Geosciences, Mathematics, Statistics, including criteria that is described for other current ZI scholarships, such as Amelia Earhart etc.





# DEADLINES AND RESOURCE MATERIALS

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## Application Deadlines

Club Deadline: Determined by each Zonta club

District Deadline: 1 August 2019

(or earlier date determined by the district)

International Deadline: 1 October 2019

## Application and Resource Materials

[Women in Technology Resource Page](#)

[Women in Technology Application 2019](#)

[Women In Technology Scholarship Poster](#)

