



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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Summer Transportation Institute: **Scholars Program**



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Spring 2009

Dear 2008 Summer Transportation Institute Participant:

Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) is pleased to announce its “2009 Summer Transportation Institute (STI) **Scholars Program**” for past participants of past STI programs. This is a new and unique program specifically designed for past STI students who liked what they experienced during their participation in the STI program and would like to experience engineering (specifically Civil Engineering) at a new level.

The four-week program includes various hands-on activities that would give you a first-hand look at several civil engineering design projects, interactive lectures, and presentations that highlight the profession. The program would allow you to experience internships at real work places, and visits to state of the art research laboratories. You will also get to spend time with researchers working on futuristic projects. The **STI Scholars Program** will have recreational and entertainment activities for the weeknights and weekends too. Moreover, the Scholars will get to mentor the current STI participants.

The 2009 PVAMU STI **Scholars Program** is scheduled to start on Sunday, June 7, 2009, and conclude on Friday, July 3, 2009.

Approximately two or three 2008 STI participants will receive a scholarship which will cover the cost for participating in the PVAMU STI **Scholars Program**. The cost for participation is approximately \$5,000 and the scholarship covers the entire cost thus the program will have no out of pocket expenses for the selected participants. The participants will be selected through a competitive process based on the criteria listed below. A parent, teacher, or counselor must nominate the student for the PVAMU STI **Scholars Program**.

Requirements: 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale; Interest in pursuing civil engineering; Must be a past STI participant. The enclosed application (2 pages); and (1) Recommendation form must be completed and submitted by May 8, 2009 along with (1) Nomination letter from a parent/teacher/ or counselor. Also please include academic transcripts, copies of standardized test scores, and an essay describing your interest in civil engineering.

We solicit your support in informing other past participants of the PVAMU STI of this new **STI Scholars Program** and encourage their participation. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Mrs. Sharon Gentry or me at the numbers listed below or email us at sti@pvamu.edu and visit our website www.pvamu.edu/sti.

Sincerely,

Raghava Kommalapati, Ph.D., P. E.

STI Director and Associate Professor

cc: Dr. Judy Perkins, Department Head, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
Dr. Kendall Harris, Dean, College of Engineering



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APPLICATION



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Applicant Information

Name: _____ SS# _____ Gender ___ M ___ F
(Please Print Clearly)
Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email: _____ Attended STI at PVAMU Year _____
Parents/Guardian: _____
Address (if different): _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone: (Home) _____ (Work or Cell) _____ Email: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____
Ethnicity: ___ African American ___ American Indian ___ Hispanic ___ Caucasian ___ Asian American ___ Other
Other information that you would like us to know about you _____

High School Information

School Attending Next Fall: _____
School Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Guidance Counselor/Teacher's Name: _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____
Awards/Achievements/Organizations: _____

During the next school year I will be in the: (Check One) ___ 11th Grade ___ 12th Grade ___ Other (list) _____
Standardized Test Scores: _____ Grade Point Average: _____ out of _____ Rank _____ out of _____
List your math and science classes for next school year Math _____ Science _____



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Career Interest

Career Interest (You must Check One at least)

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Enging | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Enging | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture |

Required Essay

Describe your career objectives, your interest in civil engineering and how the Summer Transportation Institute **Scholars Program** can assist you in reaching your goals. Your essay must be typed, and limited to one (1) page.

Additional Information

Please complete and submit this application (2 pages) with the required signatures, Teacher/Counselor recommendation form signed by your school counselor or teacher, a nomination letter, a copy of standardized test scores, academic transcript, and an essay describing your interest in civil engineering to the following address. **Applications will not be processed with incomplete information.**

Submit Inquiries and/or Materials to : STI

Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering
P.O. Box 519, Mail Stop 2510
Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, Texas 77446-0519

Participant Signature

I reviewed all the program details with my parents and counselors and if selected to attend the **STI Scholars Program**, I pledge to attend all scheduled activities, classes and events and abide by PVAMU and STI rules.

Student Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

I reviewed the **STI Scholars Program** details and application material with my son/daughter. If selected, I will authorize my son/daughter to attend STI at PVAMU. I also understand that the participants are not allowed to stay away from the activities (including night and weekend activities) during the four-week period.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



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Teacher/Counselor Recommendation Form



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Instructions

Teacher or Counselor – Please complete the form and either give it to the student or mail to Director, STI, Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering P.O. Box 519, Mail Stop 2510, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX 77446. Please be precise with your comments and evaluation on any disciplinary issues with the student.

Student Evaluation

Name of Student _____ SS# _____

Student's GPA is _____ on a _____ scale Rank No. _____ in class of _____

Please complete if information is available.

Test Scores	Raw Scores	Percentile Rank	Date Taken
PSAT			
ACT			
TAAS Texas Resident only			

Please evaluate this student compared with his/her peers.

	Good	Excellent Top 25%	Outstanding Top 10%
Intellectual Ability			
Motivation			
Conduct			
Emotional Maturity			

Please provide additional comments on applicant (particularly their academic skills and conduct)

Teacher/Counselor Information

Name (print): _____ Title _____

School: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Subjects you teach/title: _____

Signature _____

Date _____

*Your recommendation form will be handled in a **CONFIDENTIAL** manner when requested.*



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Sample Nomination Letter: To be prepared by nominating person (parent/relative, teacher or counselor). This is a sample letter only. Please type your own letter and attach it with the application package.

Date _____

To:
Director, Summer Transportations Institute (STI)
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
PO Box 519, Mail Stop 2510
Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, TX 77446

Dear Dr. Kommalapati:

I wish to nominate _____ (name of nominee) to the Summer Transportation Institute **Scholars Program** at Prairie View A&M University. I am listing some of the reasons why I believe _____ deserves to be considered for a scholarship with the STI **Scholars Program**.

(list as many as you wish)

I have known _____ (name of nominee) for ___ months/years and have known him/her to be _____. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Nominator's Name
Complete address, phone number, and email
Relationship to Nominee

Nominee's Name
Complete address, phone number, and e-mail