

## ***Moving Humanity Forward*** **New Student Scholarship**

***“We keep moving forward, opening new doors and doing new things because we’re curious, and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.” ~ Walt Disney***

### **Overview**

Since 1975, our legacy school, the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology, has continued to be an international leader and pioneer in the areas of transpersonal research and transpersonal education. Honoring the strength of this whole-person, humanistic-based psychology, the University made some changes in an effort to extend this knowledge to other degree fields.

In 2014, Dr. Liz Li expanded the reach of transpersonal psychology’s influence and created three new schools of learning. Passionately believing that transpersonal values are a needed foundation for every student at Sofia University to give students a greater understanding of the human condition, the University has structured her curriculum with a well-planned blending of technology, science, business and transpersonal psychology that will assist graduates to create a substantial, real-world impact.

### **The Award**

We believe that every student who enrolls at Sofia University has the ability to be a ripple in the wave of humanity’s evolution. This scholarship asks you to consider your own personal contribution to this amazing effort. Whether you see yourself as a ripple within your own personal home community, within a larger organization, or as an international change maker, we would like to know how you envision your education at Sofia University will help you move humanity forward.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Applicants must be new students who have never attended Sofia University or ITP in the past, enrolling in a Bachelor’s, Master’s or Doctoral program. Domestic and international students may apply.

### **Application Requirements**

You may use the attached rubric as a helpful guideline for completing your essay. The rubric will be used by the committee to score your submission.

- Meet all eligibility requirements
- Complete the Application profile in full.
- Submit a 1000- 1500 word essay expressing how your education and career path will help you to move humanity forward.
- Use 12 point font – Times New Roman – Double spaced

**Style.** Please make sure that your essay authentically represents your own personal words, thoughts and feelings (plagiarism is grounds for immediate disqualification and if determined at a later time – immediate removal of the tuition credit).

**Content.** Your essay should include:

- How you define moving humanity forward? What does the future look like to you?
- How Sofia University's degree program, please specify, fits with your career goals and ambitions.
- How you see your degree helping to shape humanity's evolution and move ideas, concepts or people forward.

### **Scholarship Details**

The *Moving Humanity Forward* scholarship is awarded quarterly to the top 10 winning applicants. Students from all four schools of learning are encouraged to apply. Students will receive for the **1<sup>st</sup> year only**, a tuition credit of \$2000.

This scholarship has no cash value which means that it cannot be refunded or exchanged for cash. In addition, this scholarship cannot be transferred to another school or be used by another student. Only the scholarship recipient can use the tuition credit which is applied to the student's 1st four quarters of study at the University. Sofia University retains the right to terminate this offer at any time for any reason.

Application Due Dates for each quarter are as follows:

- Spring 2017 – February 13, 2017 (extended date)
- Summer 2017 – May 1, 2017
- Fall 2017 – August 1, 2017
- Winter 2018 – November 1, 2018
- Spring 2018 – February 1, 2018

Winners of the *Moving Humanity Forward* scholarship will be notified on the following dates:

- Spring 2017 – March 1, 2017
- Summer 2017 – June 1, 2017
- Fall 2017 – September 1, 2017
- Winter 2018 – December 1, 2018
- Spring 2018 – March 1, 2018

### **Winner Responsibilities and Obligations**

Winning essays are the property of the university and some content may be featured in university advertising such as website features, blogs, social media outlets, etc. for promotional purposes. Winners may be asked to represent the school as ambassadors for the university in their first year, sharing their experiences with prospective students by phone or email, or through attendance at Sofia sponsored events. Suggested hours for giving back each quarter will be no less than 5 and no more than 10 hours.