Ms. Robin J. Copeland (1965 – 2011) had roots in West Texas and earned a distinguished career in international diplomacy, nonproliferation, and scientific engagement. Her work with the US Department of Energy, Department of State, the Civilian Research Development Foundation, and liaisons with US Embassies worldwide was carried out under often difficult and demanding conditions. Ms. Copeland’s responsibilities required skills in political science, technical science, and engineering. She was fluent in seven languages.

Texas Tech University recognizes that these academic qualities form the foundation for sound leadership in subjects crucial to maintaining order in today’s complex world. In memory of Robin Copeland’s unique roles in nation-building, scientific partnerships, and nonproliferation, Texas Tech University will offer a scholarship to students who wish to pursue a career in science and international political affairs.

The Robin J. Copeland Scholarship will be awarded to Texas Tech University undergraduate, graduate or law students who enroll in the following academic programs of study. Preference is given in this order:

1. Student majoring in political science or international law with an auxiliary emphasis in a supporting area of science or engineering, or

2. Student majoring in science or engineering with auxiliary emphasis in political science or international law, or

3. Student majoring in other combinations of study that demonstrates compelling evidence for application to science and international diplomacy.

Applicants for the Robin J. Copeland Scholarship should complete the scholarship application through the Student Financial Aid & Scholarships website (www.scholarships.ttu.edu). Entering freshman should complete the Apply Texas Application and current undergraduate, graduate and law students should complete the Current Student Scholarship Application. Deadline for applications is February 1.