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METRANS on the Move: Our Weekly Newsletter for Students



Attendees mingle at WTS event featuring recently promoted Women in Transportation.

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METRANS Reader Update: We will now be releasing our weekly newsletters on Wednesdays!

Welcome to this week's issue of METRANS on the Move! This newsletter is a team effort to foster knowledge and opportunities related to transportation. If you have suggestions for content – events, scholarships, jobs, and more – that you'd like to see included, just reach out to our Publisher, Danielle Dirksen, at ddirksen@usc.edu. Enjoy this week's issue, and click the button below to subscribe!

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In the News

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USC PhD Student Zakhary Mallett Wins Again By Adylbek Abdykalikov, USC, IPPAM 2020

Zakhary Mallett, PhD Student in Urban Planning and Development at USC Price School of Public Policy, has been awarded a scholarship by the American Public Transportation Foundation (APTF) – the foundation arm of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) – for the second year in a row.

Read more [here](#).



Uber Lost Over \$5 Billion In One Quarter, But Don't Worry, It Gets Worse

If you live in a big city, you can probably see a lot of cars driving for Uber and Lyft out there. The vast majority are 2,000- to 3,000-pound vehicles carrying one to two passengers at most. Now imagine these companies growing by a factor of 10 or 20 even, as they predict they can. What does traffic look like then? What happens to our air? Our streets?

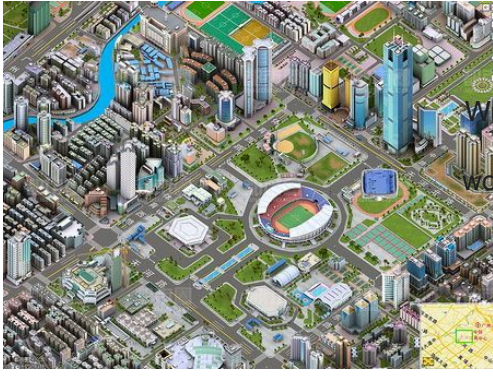
Read more [here](#).

Gold Line Gets Last-Minute Funding For Extension To Pomona

San Gabriel Valley leaders unanimously agreed Thursday to spend \$126 million to close a funding gap for the light rail project. The money will come from a regional fund created through Metro's Measure M sales tax initiative.



Read more [here](#).



Blast From The Past Series: 6 Cities That Could Easily Be Car "Lite" or Car Free

Written in 2010, this listicle describes 6 cities that could rely on car-free modes of transportation to get around. We wonder where those cities stand now, and if any more could make the list now. Hmm...

Read more [here](#).

For Researchers

This is a new section, and will focus on research-oriented events and opportunities.

For this particular workshop, emerging scholars (grad students, postdocs, junior faculty/researchers, postdocs) whose work actively engages issues of race and inequality in studies of bicycling and sustainable transportation are encouraged to apply.

Addressing Cycles of Inequality: A Workshop on Mobility Justice **Applications Due: Thursday, August 15, 2019** **Event: Nov. 1-2, 2019 12 pm - 8 pm** **UC Davis Campus**

This workshop will consider how frameworks of mobility justice and racial justice offer new pathways toward creating more robust research models for bike equity and sustainable transportation futures. In a two-day convening, we will engage in deep discussion about how bicycling researchers can account for the complexity of equity with the goal of making bicycling, new mobilities, and other modes of sustainable transportation accessible and desirable for all. The goals of the event will be (1) to develop new collaborative research relationships, (2) to develop a shared research agenda that presumes the centrality of equity and justice for sustainable transportation futures, and (3) to share insights with our broader communities and track their impact.

More Info

Ph.D. students involved in Transportation Operations and Traffic Control research and work are encouraged to submit abstracts.

Call for Abstracts: **Submission Deadline: Friday, September 27, 2019**

In preparation for the 99th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board in Washington, D.C., the Ph.D. Session in Transportation Operations and Traffic Control is seeking recently completed (or nearly completed) Ph.D. dissertations and research-in-progress.

Students who wish to present their research should submit a (maximum) two-page summary of their research including the title, along with a brief letter (or email) of nomination from their faculty supervisor that clearly states their anticipated graduation date. The schedule of presentations will be based upon the number of submissions and whether they are based on completed or in-progress research. All students will be notified by mid-October, concerning acceptance of their submission and their place on the program.

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For this particular award, graduate students in transportation who have produced a PhD Dissertation, MS Thesis, or Master's Thesis/Report are encouraged to seek nomination.

Council of University Transportation Centers Awards **Nomination Deadline: Monday, September 30, 2019**

The Milton Pikarsky Memorial Award is given annually for the best Doctoral dissertation and Master's thesis in the field of science and technology in transportation studies. The Charley V. Wootan Memorial Award is given annually for the best Doctoral dissertation and Master's thesis in the field of policy and planning in transportation studies. The Neville A. Parker Award is given annually to two non-thesis master's project reports in the field of policy and planning, and science and technology. Winners in each category receive the following honorariums: Doctoral Dissertation: \$2,000 Master's Thesis: \$1,500 Non-Thesis Master's Reports/Papers: \$1,500.

To be considered for the awards nominations must be submitted a member of the faculty, a mentor, or advisor through the CUTC website. Winners will be recognized at the CUTC Awards Banquet held on Saturday, January 11, 2020 immediately preceding the 99th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board. The dissertation/thesis/report must have been completed and accepted during the period October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019.

More Info

Get Involved

A limited number of sponsored student tickets are available. Please email victoriv@price.usc.edu to request one.

#E4Women: Mobility Leaders Moving LA Forward
Thursday, August 15, 2019, 9:30 am - 12 pm Pacific
Nixon Peabody
300 S Grand Ave #4100 Los Angeles, CA 90071

Join LAEDC's e4 Mobility Alliance as we celebrate #E4WOMEN leading mobility in Los Angeles today, and showcase the challenges, opportunities, and pathways for tomorrow's leaders. The agenda includes presentations, a keynote speaker, and a panel of female leaders in transportation. Speakers include Lidia Yan, Justine Johnson, Dr. Geeta Gupta-Fisker, Julia Thayne, Michelle Lo, and Crissy Rodriguez. Click the button below for more information.

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A limited number of sponsored student tickets are available. If you are interested and can commit to attend, please email victoriv@price.usc.edu to request a ticket.

Los Angeles World Airports Projects Update
Friday, August 23, 2019, 11 am - 1 pm Pacific
The Proud Bird
11022 Aviation Blvd, Tuskegee Room, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Please join WTS-LA for a lunch program with LAWA's Samantha Bricker to learn about current and upcoming projects, innovations, and improvements at LAX. Samantha Bricker was named the Chief Environmental and Corporate Responsibility Officer for Los Angeles World Airports in August 2019. She is responsible for overseeing all environmental and sustainability programs for LAWA including, air quality and conservation initiatives, noise programs, environmental planning and entitlements, and regulatory compliance. Click the button below for more event logistics.

More Info

Interested juniors, seniors, and graduate students should email Vicki Deguzman at victoriv@price.usc.edu.

California Transportation Foundation Conference Connections

USC will identify two students (junior, senior, or graduate) majoring in either engineering/computer science/data science or urban planning/public policy/public administration for each conference. This will generally mean to one USC nominee from the Price School and one USC nominee from the Viterbi School. CTF will select up to four students from schools across California to attend each conference.

The conferences are free to the selected students. CTF will reimburse students they select for the conference registration; reasonable and customary meal expenses; lodging at the conference hotel or lower cost accommodations on the nights of the conference; and travel costs, including coach airfare and ground transportation to and from airports. Providing this experience free for students is part of CTF's non-profit mission. They are looking for bright, articulate students who can be expected to make the most of this experience.

The featured conferences for this round are as follows:

Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) Annual Conference to be held October 9 – 12, 2019 in Huntington Beach, California:
<https://imis.agc-ca.org/imis/Conference/>.

SHCC Focus on the Future to be held November 17 – 19, 2019 in San Diego, California. For additional conference information please see <http://selfhelpcounties.org/focus/>.

Click the button below for a flyer showing more info.

More Info

We are offering complimentary registration for this event in exchange for volunteering your time. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please email victoriv@price.usc.edu.

Call for Volunteers: ITS CA Annual Meeting
September 9-11, 2019
JW Marriott Los Angeles LA LIVE
900 W Olympic Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Connect with the ITS community in California and learn about the latest advances in the industry! Meet and hear from transportation specialists in government, industry, and academic organizations. Exchange ideas, solutions, and success stories on a number of topics relevant to today's fast-growing transportation technology industry.

Volunteers are needed for registration, directing and guiding guests, and collecting survey forms. Shift times and commitments vary. Please contact Vicki with any questions at the email above.

More Info

If you would like to volunteer, please email victoriv@price.usc.edu.

Call for Volunteers: WTS-LA Girls' Empowerment Day Thursday, October 3, 2019, 10 am Pacific University of Southern California

Come join us for a day in which we introduce the transportation industry to young women enrolled in local high schools! We will be engaging the girls in various activities and providing insight into entering the job force within transportation. We would love to have you, and the students will also be grateful for mentors! Click below for the event flyer.

More Info

A limited number of sponsored student tickets are available. Please email victoriv@price.usc.edu to request one.

Port of Los Angeles Harbor Boat Tour Friday, November 8, 2019, 12:30 pm Pacific Port of LA, San Pedro, Los Angeles

Port staff will be available on the boat to provide narration and to answer questions about Port projects. On the tour, you will have a chance to learn about Port operations and infrastructure projects, and there may be sea lion sightings. Click below for the event flyer.

More Info

Scholarships & Academic Opportunities

WTS-OC 2019-20 Scholarships Applications Due: Friday, September 6, 2019 by 5 pm Pacific

To encourage women pursuing careers in transportation, the Orange County Chapter of WTS offers multiple graduate, undergraduate, community college and high school scholarships to girls and women in Southern California. In 2018, WTS-OC awarded 11 scholarships totaling \$51,500. The number of scholarships and amounts for the 2019-20 academic year will be determined following a review of the applications received.

Specific criteria for each scholarship can be found within the application itself. Applications may be submitted online or downloaded and submitted via email.

More Info

Emerging Leaders in Transportation Fellowship 2019 Applications Due: Monday, September 9, 2019 by 8:59 pm Pacific

The Emerging Leaders in Transportation fellowship program aims to enhance the toolkit of early-career employees to make transportation more efficient, effective and people-oriented. In this competitive fellowship program, participants will learn from top transportation and management professionals to enhance leadership skills, communication techniques and policy work to bring innovative ideas into practice.

The 2019 program will take place on December 6, 12 and 13 at New York University, and will include one off-site facility tour.

More Info

6th International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation September 10-13, 2019 The Beckman Center, Irvine, CA

TRB is sponsoring the 6th International Conference on Women's Issues in Transportation (WiIT 2019) on September 10-13, 2019 in Irvine, California. This conference explores women's perspectives, challenges, achievements, and opportunities with respect to travel and transportation.

This conference also provides an update on the progress and challenges in relation to women and mobility; explores how gender equality practices in transportation are increasing business and economics development; exchanges ideas on how public agencies can incorporate good gender equality policies and practices with approaches to oversee efforts and measure performance; and examines methods to address safety and security of women who are employed with or using transportation systems.

For more information, click the link below or register [here](#).

More Info

Antwerp Summer University 2019: Antwerp Summer School on Urban Logistics September 19-23, 2019

University of Antwerp, Belgium

Summer school on planning and managing the urban transport in urban areas under a dynamic context as today logistics: key for city sustainable development. An intensive immersion into the world of urban logistics, based on an introductory module covering all aspects of urban logistics (week 1) and an optional assignment preparation week (week 2) focusing on innovation and sustainability in the Industry in all its facets.

For more information, click the link below or apply [here](#).

[More Info](#)

2019 Mobility 21 Southern California Transportation Summit: Beyond the Limits Friday, September 27, 2019 7:30 am - 4:30 pm Pacific Disneyland Hotel 1150 Magic Way, Anaheim, CA 92802

Save the date for Mobility 21's 2019 Summit! Mobility 21, Southern California's premier transportation coalition, is currently seeking sponsorships for their upcoming annual conference. Registration information is coming soon. Discounted student tickets are available for students who register to attend. Early bird registration is now open as well.

[More Info](#)

Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Sustainable Urban Freight Open through September 2019

We are happy to announce the re-run of the successful Sustainable Urban Freight Transport MOOC on edX as of 4th December 2018. This time the MOOC is presented as a self-paced course, students and professionals can access the free course till September 2019.

The MOOC is the result of a collaboration between 8 partners of the global COE-SUFS network. It provides a unique cross-cultural introduction to city logistics, as experienced around the world (Netherlands, Japan, India, UK, Australia, South-Africa and Sweden).

For more information, contact Tharsis Teoh at t.g.h.teoh@tudelft.nl or click the link below.

[More Info](#)

Become a Presidential Management Fellow Applications Due: Thursday, October 17, 2019 at 9 am Pacific

The Presidential Management Fellows (PMF) Program is administered by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). Each year, candidates apply to the program in efforts to be selected as Finalists. Finalists are then eligible for appointment as Presidential Management Fellows (Fellows; PMFs).

To become a PMF, you must participate in an rigorous, multi-hurdle process. It takes patience and endurance, but also gives you a chance to demonstrate your leadership ability and potential. As a PMF, you will have earned your place in the program, and the opportunity to grow professionally, serve your country, and make a difference!

[More Info](#)

World Symposium on Transport and Land Use Research 2020: Call for Papers Submissions Due: Friday, November 15, 2019

We are pleased to announce that the 2020 World Symposium on Transport and Land Use Research (WSTLUR) will be held in Portland, Oregon, USA, July 13-16, 2020. We seek original, full-length submissions on themes including, but not limited to, affordable housing and transport, freight issues, and accessibility in transit. Theme leaders will be in charge of the paper review and selection process. Questions about specific themes should be directed towards theme leaders, whose contact info can be found by clicking the button below.

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Internships & Jobs

Transit Planning and Scheduling Analyst City of Gardena Applications Close: Thursday, August 15, 2019, 5 pm Pacific



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Job Title	Agency/Firm	Deadline
Assistant Transportation Planner (# 190086B1)	City of Burbank	16-Aug-19
	Burbank, CA	
Outreach & Shared Micromobility Coordinator (Transportation Planner III) (# 19-01464)	Fairfax County	16-Aug-19
	Fairfax, VA	
Transportation Specialist (Traffic Operations) (# 7973)	DC Government	19-Aug-19
	Washington, DC	
Junior Public Works Engineer (# 2019-07-22080)	City of Berkeley	19-Aug-19
	Berkeley, CA	
Associate Engineer (# 2019-37)	City of San Leandro	19-Aug-19
	San Leandro, CA	
Policy Analyst (# 8149)	DC Government	20-Aug-19
	Washington, DC	

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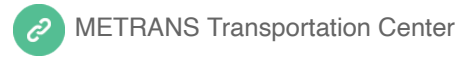
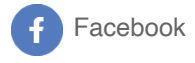
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