Happy Women’s History Month!
Let’s help build the next generation of women leaders in transportation!

In the News

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METRANS Students Produce Award-Winning Traffic Safety Video

Congratulations to the METRANS Student Team for winning second place in the Post Secondary, Transportation Safety category of the American Road and Transportation Builders Association’s (ARTBA) 2020 Student Video Contest.

Read more here.

Pete Buttigieg Stresses a ‘Fix It First’ Infrastructure Policy

“A lot of what we’ve got to do is dealing with a maintenance backlog,” the U.S. Transportation Secretary said.

Read the Bloomberg CityLab feature here.

Comfort’s Corner: Pierre Holloman - Assistant Transit Bureau Chief, Arlington County

On this episode of Comfort’s Corner, part of the Transit Unplugged podcast, Pierre Holloman, Assistant Transit Bureau Chief at the Arlington Department of Environmental Services Division of Transportation, joins Paul Comfort to discuss what Amazon’s new Arlington office means for their transit agency.

Listen to the Transit Unplugged podcast here.
Giuliano and Lu Present Analyzing Impacts of Major Events: A Case Study of the LA Coliseum Seminar

On February 18, METRANS, PSR, and special partner USC ASPD launched their first transportation research webinar for the Spring 2021.

Read more here.

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**Webinars & Online Events**

**2021 Perloff Lecture Series on Race in Transportation & Martin Wachs Distinguished Lecturer in Transportation: Policing the Open Road w/ Sarah Seo**

*Thursday, March 4th at 12:30 pm PST*

Columbia Law Professor Sarah Seo’s book Policing the Open Road is a thought-provoking look at how the automobile fundamentally changed the nature of police work, and thus the conception of freedom . . .

[More Info](#)

**METRANS, PSR, and AZTrans Presents Bringing Transportation Practice to Campus**

*Thursday, March 4th at 3:00 pm PST*

In this webinar, Dr. Zach Barlow will be giving us an inside look into his recent transportation engineering projects! He is a Project Manager at Ironside Engineering and Development, Inc. where he focuses on traffic and transportation-related projects.

[More Info](#)

**USC Price Policy Forum Series: Environmental Equity**

*Thursday, March 4th at 4:00 pm PST*

This year’s forum will focus on the responses to COVID-19 and how we can rebuild from the pandemic, which touches the Price Community in Los Angeles and throughout the world.

[More Info](#)

**C2M2 Distinguished Speaker Series Presents Dr. Pamela Murray-Tuite**

*Sharing Self-Driving, Autonomous Vehicles for Evacuation*

*Friday, March 5th at 10:00 am PST*

C2M2 invites you to join us in welcoming Dr. Pamela Murray-Tuite, Clemson University, as a part of our C2M2 Distinguished Speaker Series. This webinar presents an initial study exploring the possibility of AVs being shared by their owners to help evacuate these households.

[More Info](#)

**ITS-Davis Presents Leveraging Transportation Infrastructure Investments for Climate Action**

*Friday, March 5th at 1:30 pm PST*

This presentation will cover the various opportunities and challenges surrounding the creation of the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI), an effort underway since early 2020 to help implement EO N-19-19.

[More Info](#)
Thursday, March 5th at 5:00 pm PST

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CAIT Seminar Series: Celebrating International Women's Day by Showcasing Latest Transportation Research Achievements  
Monday, March 8th at 8:30 am PST

In this complimentary seminar, you will hear presentations from Dr. Cecilia Feeley, manager of the Transportation Autism Project at CAIT, and from Dr. Sharon Di, CAIT-affiliated researcher and professor of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at Columbia University.

UCD NCST Webinar: Equity and Greenhouse Gas Effects of An Electric Car-Sharing Pilot in Rural Disadvantaged Communities in California’s Central Valley  
Tuesday, March 9th at 10:00 am PST

This webinar will highlight early research evaluating Miocar's success in achieving its goals and will feature perspectives from key partners involved in the pilot. Multiple partners came together to launch Miocar in 2019. Miocar is a non-profit, electric car-sharing service meant to offer a cost-effective . . .

STRIDE Presents Human Factors Research at the University of Florida Transportation Institute and Alignment with the U.S. DOT's Transportation Priorities  
Wednesday, March 10th at 9:00 am PST

University of Florida researchers will provide an overview of innovative projects at the Human Factors Research Group at the University of Florida Transportation Institute and how these relate to the U.S. DOT’s transportation priorities.

YTP Los Angeles Presents Zero-Emission Buses - Aligning The Pieces from A to "ZEB"  
Wednesday, March 10th at 5:30 pm PST

Analy Castillo, Ph.D., transit advisory consultant, will be speaking about Zero-Emission Buses (ZEB's) in California and ZEBDecide, the model she developed to predict bus performance under different zero-emission bus options that transit agencies across the state are using to plan their ZEB fleets.

METRANS, PSR, NCST Spring 2021 Speaker Series: Congestion Reduction via Personalized Incentives  
Thursday, March 11th at 12:00 pm PST

In this webinar, we will discuss an alternative approach of offering positive incentives to drivers to take alternative routes. More specifically, we propose an algorithm to reduce traffic congestion and improve routing efficiency via offering personalized incentives to drivers.

UCLA Urban Planning and UCLA Institute of Transportation Studies Perloff Lecture Series on Race in Transportation: Compton Cowboys and California Love
Thursday, March 11th at 12:30 pm PST

Pritzker Forum on Global Cities - Pursuing Equity
Thursday, March 18th at 2:00 pm PDT
In the past, we have discussed inclusive urban economic frameworks, creating better cities for all, and confronting systemic racism and inequity. We will continue to explore the relationship between inequality and urban space, equity in crisis response, and global approaches to pursuing equity. Including speakers like Pete Buttigieg, Dr. Fauci, Latoya Cantrell, and more!

C2SMART Webinar Series Understanding the Role of Microtransit in a Multi-modal Ecosystem
Thursday, March 18th at 2:30 pm PDT
Professor Joseph Chow, Deputy Director of C2SMART, and Research Professor and Co-PI, Rae Zimmerman, are joined by Saar Golde, chief Data Scientist at Via, a microtransit company which partners with different city agencies to implement shared taxi, taxi support software, specialized shuttle bus . . .

PACTRANS Doctoral Webinar Series: An Interdisciplinary Agent-based Evacuation Modeling Framework: Seeking Convergence of Social, Natural, and Engineered Systems to Improve Life Safety in the Cascadia Subduction Zone
Friday, March 19th at 10:00 am PDT
This research integrates social science, transportation engineering, and hazard science through an interdisciplinary agent-based modeling framework to improve life safety in the Cascadia Subduction Zone.

USDOT ITS Joint Program Office: All-Levels Academic Virtual Forum
Wednesday, April 21st at 10:00 am PDT
The ITS PCB program invite you to join our upcoming All-Levels Academic Virtual Forum, where educators at universities, two-year colleges, and high schools, as well as practitioners and industry leaders will come together to learn, share, and strategize about ITS education and workforce development.

Save the Date: International Urban Freight Conference 2021
Wednesday, October 6th - Friday, October 8th
Join us at I-NUF, International Urban Freight Conference, to explore what is next for urban freight. For conference details that will be constantly updated, visit us at: metrans.org.

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