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Deadlines Quickly Approaching

ITE Student Reception in Washington, D.C.
ITE will host the first welcome back Student Reception post-pandemic on **January 9, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** during TRB’s Annual Meeting. The student reception will be hosted on 12th floor of ITE Headquarters. This will be a great opportunity for students to network and meet ITE leadership and staff. Click the button below to join us. **RSVP by December 31, 2022.** Questions? Contact **Membership.**

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**Request Data for HSIS Student Research Paper Competition**

Earn money for college and gain recognition through the transportation community! This award encourages undergraduate and graduate students to use Highway Safety Information System (HSIS) data to investigate a topic that advances highway safety and to develop a paper to document their original research. Faculty advisors can assist in an advisory role but cannot be a co-author.

Each lead author of a winning team will receive recognition and full registration to the Joint ITE International and Western District Annual Meeting and Exhibition on August 13 to August 16, 2023. **The paper submission deadline is Saturday, March 1, 2023.**

Getting the data takes time, you’ll need to request it early if you plan to participate. To meet the paper submission deadline, be sure to request the HSIS data **by early January 2023.**
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Click the button below to learn more about the requirements, awards prize details, and eligibility. Interested participants can initiate an HSIS data request from [here](#).
Community Corner is Back

Calling All Student Chapters!

Prior to COVID, we had a regular feature in the ITE Journal called “Community Corner” that showcased our members’ community service efforts. During COVID, we had to pause this feature, but we are excited to be able to start recognizing these efforts again, with the intention of participating in the “National Week of Service,” April 16-22, 2023.

How You Can Help? We are asking if your Student Chapter has participated in a recent community service effort, please share that with us so we can recognize you. We would love to feature and highlight your efforts in the ITE Journal, on an ITE webpage, ITE’s e-community, and in efforts celebrating the “National Week of Service.” We would need a brief write-up of no more than 500 words with pictures describing your community efforts and involvement.

We are asking for submissions by Thursday, December 15, 2022.

Click here to upload all images' and write-up. Questions? Contact Frances Bettis.

Start Preparing for the ITE 2023 Awards Season
ITE’s Excellence in Transportation Awards celebrate the achievements of transportation professionals, including our student members!

Check out the opportunities for student chapters to be recognized for their innovations and activities and individual students to be recognized for their research papers here.

Start planning ahead to submit your nominations for the following Student Awards:

- Daniel B. Fambro Student Paper Award
- Student Chapter Award
- Student Chapter Momentum Award
- Highway Safety Information System (HSIS) Student Research Paper Competition

Nominations Open January 1
Welcome to ITE's Newest Student Chapter - The George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Help us welcome The George Washington University Chapter of ITE (GWU-ITE). Thank you to GWU-ITE Faculty Advisor, Prof. Zhengtian Xu, and President, Bhagyashree Panda, who helped establish their chapter within the Mid-Colonial District, WSDC Section. With the help of their Student Officer Board, Vice President, Michel Khoueiry, Secretary, Jose Bento Furtado, Treasurer, Mohammad Saifu Amin.

ITE Featured on TTI's *Thinking Transportation* Podcast
ITE's Executive Director and CEO Jeff Paniati and ITE International President Beverly Kuhn recently appeared on Thinking Transportation, the podcast of the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI). In the episode "It Takes a (Big) Village: How a Community of Transportation Pros is Making Mobility Better," Jeff and Beverly talk about lessons learned from the past 12 months, the successes celebrated by ITE, and how the transportation profession is evolving—along with society. We highly encourage students to take a moment to click the button below to stream now!

Stream Now

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Student Graduates - ODOT Graduate Program

"Don't just live your future, create it!"

Students can pave their own way with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Graduate Program, designed to help recent college graduates transition from students to full-time professionals. For up to 24 months, participants are provided rotational assignments within ODOT engineering disciplines. They are recognized as full-time, permanent employees, receiving a salary, a full benefits package and mentorship from a registered professional engineer (PE). Be sure to share with all ITE graduate students. Interested? Click the button below to apply now and learn more.

Apply Now
Upcoming Dates

Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming District and Section Meetings
Looking to stay involved and network with your local ITE members? Click here to view your next District and Section meeting. If you have meetings you would like to add to the calendar please email Pam Goodell.

Student Reception Hosted by ITE
ITE is hosting a Student Reception during the TRB Annual Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. EST on the 12th Floor at ITE Headquarters located at 1627 Eye Street NW,
Washington, D.C. Exclusive tour inside the newly renovated ITE Headquarters. Click here to RSVP! Questions? Contact Membership.

2023 Diversity Scholars Program
ITE offers our Diversity Scholars Program each year to award at least one scholarship to a student intending to study transportation as an undergraduate at a university with an ITE Student Chapter. This program is open to both high school seniors and community college students looking to transfer to 4-year universities. Applications are now open, click here to apply today! Be sure to share with your family and friends.

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2023 ITE Virtual Spring Conference
Great Communities: At the Intersection of Planning and Engineering. We encourage students to experience ITE's virtual conference. Save the date on March 14-15, 2023. To learn more information click here.

Hear from An ITE Student Leader
Peyton Weiss - University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL)
How were you introduced to your ITE Student Chapter and what is your current role?

I've had the opportunity to work as an intern at Felsburg Holt & Ullevig (FHU) as I've pursued my Civil Engineering degree at UNL. FHU is a transportation focused engineering firm, and I have worked there for the last four years as a member of the traffic operations group. Several of my coworkers including Mark Meisinger, Adam Denney, David Andersen, and Kornel Gwiazdowski are active members in the Nebraska Section of ITE (NITE) and are leaders in NITE and the regional Missouri Valley District of ITE (MOVITE). They have taken me to NITE events and believe in the value of ITE membership.

I am an active member in the he UNL/UNO ITE Student Chapter. Because the chapter is so new, most of our efforts are focused on increasing membership, and we have not yet elected any officers. Our goal is that we'll have enough members by the end of this academic year, so that we can hold elections for officers to serve during the 2023 academic year.

What have you learned through ITE about the transportation profession?

Being involved with ITE has shown me how collaborative our profession is, and that transportation engineering is an exciting career path. I've enjoyed hearing about transportation projects happening locally and getting a big picture view of all the options of specialization available to young engineers. The transportation profession is a broad field, and it can be hard to know what you want to do. Whether you're interested in traffic operations, bike and pedestrian mobility, transit, roadway design, transportation planning, or anything else in between, ITE has a ton of great opportunities for you to explore those interests.

We understand your ITE Student Chapter was recently re-chartered. What activities and events do you hope to see in the upcoming semester?

One thing I am very excited for is the Traffic Bowl competition. I've heard tales of the Traffic Bowl from many of my coworkers, even Dr. Hawkins (our faculty sponsor) has told us about his own experiences at the competition. Most of my friends aren't interested in hearing about things like red clearance and how long the dashed lines on highways really are, so I would love to participate in competition where trivial traffic knowledge is encouraged.

I'm just as excited for the chapter's general meetings as well. In the meetings we've had already, we've learned about some really cool local transportation projects. Hearing the backstory and what really goes into successfully delivering a project is something you don't get from a textbook. Much of what we learn in school is focused on the theory, and it can all seem a bit abstract sometimes, so I've enjoyed getting to see and hear what we are learning in the classroom applied to real-world engineering projects.
How do you hope to stay involved with ITE post-graduation?

I hope to continue attending NITE meetings and events, so that I can continue building connections and relationships with fellow transportation engineers. I would also like to stay involved with the student chapter at UNL/UNO. I was lucky enough to get involved with ITE because of my internship, and it has been a great resource that’s helped me grow as a transportation engineer and connect with others in the transportation profession. I want every engineering student at UNL to have that same resource as they explore career possibilities in engineering and transportation.

Student Resources to Plan for 2023

Diversity Scholars Program - Applications Now Open

Accepting applications from both graduating high school students and community college students planning to transfer to a 4-year university in the fall of 2023!

The purpose of this program is to increase participation by underrepresented populations in the transportation profession by supporting increased diversity at the undergraduate level.

The deadline for all applicants is March 15, 2023.

We believe this is a great opportunity and we would truly appreciate your support to get the word out to potential applicants. All of the eligibility requirements and application information is available here.

Applications are now open, click the button below to apply today! Be sure to share with your family and friends.
ITE Marketing Materials Available

Membership is free for all full-time undergraduate and graduate students and we want to help you promote membership. Click the button below to download promotional flyers for your next membership drive. Have any questions or requests? Contact Jada Johnson.

Marketing Materials

Through the e-Community: ITE Student Connect

Join our "ITE Student Connect" community where all student members can directly connect, exchange institutional knowledge, and ideas with each other. ITE Headquarters will provide student updates and reminders in addition to our monthly ITE Student News! If you have trouble logging into your account, contact Membership.

Join Now

Upload Your Student Chapter's Photos

As we transition to next semester, don't forget to upload your Chapter's photos! Interested in being featured in ITE's student communication platforms? ITE Headquarters created a photo gallery for you to upload any photos or videos from your ITE Student Chapter initiatives, membership drive, or events. Click the button below to begin. Be sure to create a folder labeled with the full name of your student chapter before you begin uploading photos. Questions? Contact Jada Johnson.
Increasing Diversity of Fields in Student Chapter Engagement

TE’s Education Council hosted this webinar that focused on ideas for ITE Student Chapters, faculty advisors, and chapter leaders to help them increase diversity through the recruitment and retention of planners, data scientists, and other majors that can contribute to the transportation industry. A great tool for student chapters to utilize at your next event or meeting! Click the button below and log into your ITE account to access the live recording now!

Learn How Our Districts and Sections Support Students

TE hosted two sessions of the Professional Student Liaison and Faculty Advisor Informational and Training Webinar in September! There were a lot of great questions, exchange of institutional knowledge, and participation. Don’t worry if you were unable to make it, click here to view the full presentation. Access the live recording below.

Student Leaders - Group Membership Template
Do you have a list of students looking to join ITE? Undergraduate or graduate students can join ITE for free and we want to make it easy for you. If you have a group of students who are interested and would like to join today, click the template below to upload their information into a spreadsheet and send all of them to us at once. ITE Headquarters will do the heavy lifting to activate their membership with us!

Also, you can send us your lists directly for us to activate student memberships. We can compare and update new members to make sure all of your chapter members are taking advantage of the free membership.

Send completed spreadsheets to Jada Johnson.
ITE Promotional Items Store Front

Looking for a seamless way to purchase custom items with the ITE Logo for your Student Chapter? ITE has developed a swag store with a variety of customizable items to choose from. Let us help prepare you for the next semester. Questions? Contact Membership.

[Click Here To Shop Now]

Learn About ITE International Collegiate Traffic Bowl Competition

Each year, since 2009, ITE student chapters from Canada and the United States participate in a competition known as the ITE Collegiate Traffic Bowl. This competition features teams comprised of up to three students testing their knowledge of ITE, transportation planning and engineering topics as well as some other fun categories.

The teams winning an ITE district competition advance to compete in the Collegiate Traffic Bowl Grand Championship, conducted annually at ITE’s International Annual Meeting and Exhibit. Interested in competing in Traffic Bowl? Click the button below to learn more.

[Learn More]

Interest In Establishing an ITE Student Chapter
Are you or someone you know interested in establishing a student chapter with ITE but don't know where to start? Let us help you connect with your District and review your next steps to **Establishing A Student Chapter**. Click the button below to contact us.

- **Contact Membership**

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**Professional Development Opportunities**

ITE is Accepting Student Webinar Submissions
Become a voice for the future! Share with us your ideas and add to your own professional development while you are at it. Students can propose webinar idea to ITE. We are excited to listen to your ideas and ready to share your expertise and experience with the transportation industry through our professional development programs, which are designed to keep transportation professionals on the cutting edge of the industry. Click the link below to submit and learn more!

Submit

Why Join ITE's Mentoring Program?

The Matson and Hammond Mentoring Program is an online option that is available through ITE’s e-community. This unique online networking and career development tool helps you find, connect, and share experiences with others. Your mentor or mentee can be in the same city or on the other side of the world.

It is suggested to review and complete Preparation Materials and Expectations, prior to completing your mentor search.

If you are interested in joining an ITE mentoring program, you have options.

- Contact your local Chapter or Section to see if they have a mentoring program.
- Talk to your District to see if there are options for mentoring at that level.
- Participate in the ITE International Matson and Hammond Mentoring Program.
**Why did you want a mentor?**
When I applied to have an ITE mentor, I was looking to expand my industry network and learn from someone with continued involvement in ITE as a professional. At the time, I was working on graduate school applications and was advised that mentorship could be very beneficial.

**How did having a mentor help you?**
Having a mentor has helped me in a number of ways. My mentor was able to provide me feedback on fellowship opportunities and encouraged me to critically think about what I truly desire out of a graduate program. My mentor also helped me navigate different decisions regarding summer employment opportunities, providing seasoned industry insight about the potential benefits of respective positions that I was considering.

Don't just take it from us! Follow this link [here](#) to get a first-hand account from Bryce Grame. Interested in learning more about Matson and Hammond Mentoring Program? Click the button below. Questions? Contact [Membership](#).

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Get Involved With ITE's Councils and Committees
Council and Committees are a great way for students to expand their knowledge on the latest and future transportation trends.

ITE Headquarters Points of Contact

Colleen Agan
Associate Executive Director | Senior Director, Membership Strategies and Operations

Jada Johnson
Member Engagement Associate

Transportation Trivia
Q: Which District is home to more student chapters than Sections, 5.5 time zones, and an annual east versus west street hockey tournament?

A: ITE Canada