Student Reminders

Final Reminder to Register for ITE's Virtual Spring Conference!

Join us for the ITE Virtual Spring Conference on Great Communities: At the Intersection of Planning and Engineering. **Students can register at a discounted rate of $50!** PDHs/CMs will be available. Participants do not have to choose between sessions; ITE will record and make all sessions available to registrants.

More details about the conference, including the schedule and session titles and descriptions, will be available [here](#).

Register Now

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2023 Optimizing Main Street Sandbox Competition
ITE encourages students who are interested in representing their ITE Student Chapter, to participate! Sponsored by the Consultants Council, this year’s competition will focus on Curb Space Management. There will be separate professional and student categories. **There is still time for students to participate!**

The top two teams in both categories will be invited to present their approach and solutions as part of the Joint ITE International and Western District Annual Meeting and Exhibition in Portland and take questions from the audience in an open and interactive session. Submissions will be judged on their creativity and innovation, the practicality and balance achieved by the individual ideas, soundness of their technical approach and design, and the transferability of its elements to other jurisdictions or corridors.

**Click the button below to learn more. Ready to participate? Contact Kathi Driggs with your name, and contact email.**

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**Diversity Scholars Program – Deadline Approaching March 15!**

The deadline is next Wednesday for complete 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](#).
Download and share the program flyer with your family and friends. Click the button below to apply today!

Apply Now

2023 Young Leaders to Follow – Application/Nomination Deadline by March 15!

ITE's Young Leaders to Follow Program shines a spotlight on the best, up-and-coming young leaders within ITE! If you are a student that makes an impact on your ITE student chapter, ITE Section or District, this is the program for you! Eligible candidates can be any ITE member that is actively involved and 35 years old or younger on January 1, 2023. View 2022 Young Leaders to Follow here.

Interested? Click here.

ITE's All-Member Survey Available Until March 10!

Be on the lookout today for an email containing information about ITE's All-Member Survey. We hope that you will take 15-minutes of your time to inform the Board of Direction and staff about your views on a variety of different topics related to your involvement in ITE by responding to the ITE All-Member Survey. Questions? Contact Membership.

Survey

What's New

2023 NoCOE Transportation Technology Tournament Open Until March 10!
Student teams will pair with a DOT, MPO, or transit agency to define a transportation problem. An application is submitted identifying the teams and problem. Students will work with advisors to learn about ITS and TSMO solutions. This allows students to utilize their experience, education, and new coursework to develop a solution that addresses their problem.

One team will be selected as the 2023 Transportation Technology Tournament Winner.

Interested in learning more? Click [here](#).

**ITE Quick Bites – Top 10 Things I Wish I’d Learned about Data/Data Analytics in College!**

This top 10 list is intended to convey critical career lessons and principles learned by data experts with decades of experience in the “school of hard knocks.” Recent graduates and entry-level transportation practitioners learned foundational theories and concepts in college studies, and some fortunate students may have also learned a few of these real-world lessons from pragmatic professors.

[Read More](#)

**ITE Technical Brief Released – Pandemic Quick Builds: Lessons Learned and What Comes Next**
This report, developed by the ITE Complete Streets Council and provides case studies of quick build projects that students can use as a resource.

In this case study, you will learn about the following:
- Utilizing an allocation of funds to fast-track Vision Zero improvements as part of a neighborhood traffic calming program
- Engaging the community to test and deploy newer and unconventional treatments
- Developing metrics of success and quantifying the impacts of quick-build treatments
The 2023 Western District ITE SLS, co-hosted by USC ITE, CSUF ITE, and UCI ITE, was a resounding success, bringing together over 170 participants, 120 of whom were students from 14 student chapters.

The SLS almost did not happen due to a lack of initial interest in hosting it. However, the three schools came together and successfully organized an in-person summit in less than six months. The planning process was a challenging one that required last-minute rearrangements, but the organizers were able to overcome these obstacles and put together an outstanding program.

Coordinating an event as large as the 2023 ITE Western District Student Leadership Summit was no small feat, particularly when considering that it was co-hosted by three different schools, each with their own unique goals and priorities. The organizing committee faced several challenges during the planning process, including managing a tight schedule alongside our regular classwork and reserving event spaces on a shorter than expected timeframe.
Another key factor in the success of the summit was our commitment to securing sponsorships. We attended several in-person events across the Southern California area, including a conference in Ontario, and worked diligently to secure support from various organizations. This was crucial in enabling us to provide a high-quality experience for all participants.

We were also thrilled to see the level of participation from underclassmen, including freshmen and sophomores, who played key roles in the planning process and even led certain aspects of the event. This not only helped to lighten the load on the organizing committee but also encouraged the younger members of our chapters to become future leaders, and for our chapters to scale up more so than before. Throughout the planning process, we received invaluable support and advice from young professionals, Brandon Wong and Emilio Murga, the RSBITE and SoCal ITE student liaisons. Their experience hosting previous SLS events was instrumental in guiding our planning process, and we are grateful for their contributions to our event's success.
The career fair and resume review workshop also proved to be a valuable opportunity for students, with 11 companies in attendance and over 30 professionals participating in one-on-one resume review and mock interview workshops. Students had the chance to engage in long and meaningful conversations with professionals, gaining insights and advice that will prove invaluable as they move forward in their careers.
The 2023 ITE Western District Student Leadership Summit was a resounding success, in large part due to the high level of engagement by students throughout the event. It was clear that attendees were truly passionate about transportation engineering and planning and were eager to learn, network, and engage with professionals in the field. One of the most remarkable aspects of the event was the level of commitment and dedication demonstrated by the attending students. Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, students worked hard to attend this event, traveling from as far as Montana State and Hawaii to participate. Their enthusiasm and passion for transportation engineering and planning were truly infectious and contributed greatly to the overall success of the event.
Join the Pedaling to Portland Younger Member Challenge and Happy Hour Kick-Off!

The ITE Younger Member Committee is once again gearing up for the ITE Annual Meeting with a fun challenge that will help you get to know both the City of Portland as well as your peers. Join the Committee for its Pedaling to Portland Kick-Off Happy Hour on Zoom, April 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. EDT. Click below to learn more and to register.

Register Now

Faculty Advisors – Graduation Cord Order Form!

Place your order today! Complimentary cords for graduates. The single cord is braided royal blue and white. Anticipated shipping will be in April 2023. All submissions will receive an email confirmation with the shipping information in April. The deadline for all orders is Friday, March 31, 2023. Questions? Contact Membership.
Community Corner Returns In March *ITE Journal*

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?** 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.

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

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ITE Diversity & Inclusion Committee Kicks Off 2023

**From Beverly Kuhn, ITE Diversity & Inclusion Committee Chair**

Howdy from your new Chair of the ITE Diversity & Inclusion (D&I) Committee! As we move into the new year, I wanted to share with you some of the things we have planned for 2023. As you are probably aware, ITE embraces a diverse membership that reflects the broad demographics of cultures, skills, disciplines, and experiences of the global communities we serve. To that end, the D&I Committee has a vision to increase diversity and inclusion within ITE membership with a focus on our Districts and Sections. We have set forth a number of goals to help us advance that vision and work to make ITE the best it can be. They are...

• Enhance District and Section activities to expand D&I;
• Foster external relationships for outreach engagement;
• Facilitate Annual Meeting engagement through Affinity Groups;
• Expand our involvement and outreach to Historically Black Colleges and Universities;
• Support the Student to Younger Member Committee to increase retention of our younger members as they graduate; and
• Increase diversity of panels/speakers/topics at ITE International, District, Section, and Chapter meetings.

Over the next year, we will be working to develop resources for our DSCs, expand engagement both internal and external to ITE, and share information with the ITE Membership via Spotlite and the ITE D&I e-Community. We welcome your thoughts, ideas, and engagement around this essential topic, so join in the conversation!

ITE Student Itinerary #ITEPortland2023
Upcoming Dates

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.

2023 Diversity Scholars Program
TE offers our Diversity Scholars Program each year to award at least one scholarship to a student attending 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. The deadline for all applications is March 15, 2023. Questions? Contact Membership.

Pedaling to Portland Kick-Off Happy Hour
Presented by the Younger Member Committee. A virtual opportunity for younger members to join Pedaling to Portland kick-off on Zoom, April 6, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. EDT. Click here to register.

2023 Optimizing Main Street Sandbox Competition
Students can still participate! This competition is now fully supported by the Consultants Council and will focus on Curb Space Management. Competitors will plan and design a corridor to optimize the public right-of-way and curbside activity to balance the needs of the abutters, residents, and visitors. The final submission deadline is May 15, 2023. Interested? Click here to learn more and Contact Kathi Driggs.

2023 Joint ITE International and Western District Annual Meeting and Exhibition
This year’s theme for the Joint ITE International and Western District Annual Meeting and Exhibition is Connecting People and Communities. This meeting will take place August 13-16, 2023, in the Oregon Convention Center (OCC) and its headquarters hotel, the brand new Hyatt Regency hotel, just across the river from downtown Portland. Click here for more details.

New Member Orientation
Join us on May 5, 2023, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET to learn more about your ITE Membership and access to benefits that are available to you. Focusing on ITE membership and staff support, connecting with your District and Sections, navigating our website, Learning Hub and Free Webinars, Councils, e-Community, and Communications. Click here to register!

Student Graduates
Airport Cooperative Research Program for Graduate Students!
This program is a wonderful opportunity for graduate students interested in applied research that addresses airport and related air transportation system needs. The goal of the research is to help the public sector continue to improve the quality, reliability, safety, and security of the U.S. civil aviation system well into the foreseeable future.

The Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP), a program of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, offers $12,000 Graduate Research Awards that include mentoring by national experts assigned by the ACRP, facilitation of access to ACRP resources, an expense-paid research presentation at the Transportation Research Board annual meeting in Washington, DC, and publication in the Transportation Research Record. Students must be supervised by a faculty member and be attending an accredited higher education institution in the U.S. or Canada. U.S. and Canadian citizens and permanent residents are eligible as are students who have an active student visa throughout the award period.

Application Deadline is May 15, 2023. Click here to apply. Questions? Contact Virginia Space Grant Consortium.

Explore ITE's Career Center Opportunities!

A great opportunity for students who are looking for the next step post graduation. ITE career center allows students to post their resume, apply for job opportunities, and get new job alerts! Be sure to update your ITE profiles with your updated major, anticipated graduation date, school, and contact information. Questions? Contact Membership.

ITE Career Center

How To Stay Connected with ITE!
FOLLOW US ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES

Click the button below and select the "ITE Student Chapter - Help Us Follow You!" tab to share your social media handles with ITE HQ.

[Image of computer screen with social media icons]

Click Here

Transportation Trivia
Q: Name the first woman to join ITE and what year?

A: Ethlyn Ann Hansen, 1958