



METRANS on the Move: Our Weekly Newsletter by Students



Planning undergraduates met with Embedded Planner
Jonathan Pacheco Bell (far right).
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Please follow CDC guidelines and practice social distancing. Wishing you good health!

METRANS on the Move student 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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Danielle Dirksen: Winner Of PSR Outstanding Undergraduate Student Of The Year Award by Adylbek Abdykalikov, USC, IPPAM 2020

Dirksen is a senior majoring in Urban Studies and Planning with a double minor in Environmental Studies and Occupational Science. She is passionate about transportation, specifically enhancing mobility and improving public transit for traditionally disadvantaged and marginalized communities.

Read more [here](#).



Is It Safe To Ride LA Metro In The Age Of Coronavirus?

Coronavirus concern is everywhere. We’re stocking up on hand sanitizer, toilet paper and guns. We’re Googling it at a wild rate. Cancel culture has a whole new meaning.

Read more [here](#).



Caltrans Owns 163 Empty Homes Around Pasadena. Homeless Families Want To Live There.

A couple of moms are taking over a vacant, state-owned house in Pasadena in a protest designed to draw attention to the region’s severe housing affordability crisis, and they’ve caught the attention of a couple state lawmakers.

Read more [here](#).

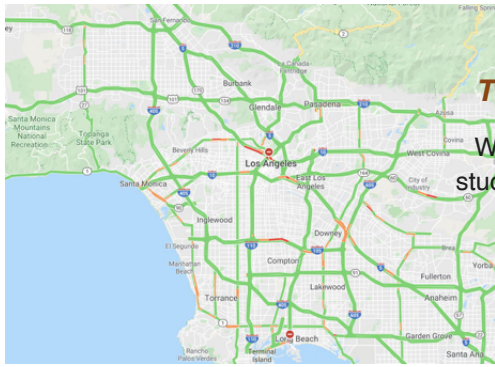


Public Previews Green Line on St. Patrick's Day

Blast From The Past Series: MTA's 1995 Saint Patrick's Day Celebration

Scroll down to Page 3 of this LA Metro monthly review for a cute celebration of both Saint Patrick's Day and the anticipated opening of the Green Line. Take a peek at Page 7 for the MTA's old mascots!

Read more [here](#).



Tweet Time: COVID-19 Results In Empty Freeways

With more and more people working from home and with many students on spring break and/or off of school, LA's notorious traffic has nearly dissipated.

View the tweet [here](#).

College Corner



This week: How to Stay Entertained while Social Distancing or Quarantining

51. Perfect grandma's bolognese recipe.

52. Make coffee, but this time study how many beans you use, which types, how hot the water is, how long it brews and whether any of that makes a difference.

Feeling bored? Find something fun to do [here](#).

Webinars & Online Happenings

Due to COVID-19 concerns and precautions, METRANS and team will only be promoting online events and opportunities for the time being. Thank you for your understanding!

LAST CHANCE: Lee Schipper Memorial Scholarship Submission Deadline: Wednesday, March 18th, 2020

The Schipper family and WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities are accepting applications for the 2020 Lee Schipper Memorial Scholarship for Sustainable Transport and Energy Efficiency. The Scholarship will award up to three extraordinary candidates a maximum of \$10,000 each to advance transformative research in efficient and sustainable transport.

Please click below for more information and to apply.

[More Info](#)

LAST CHANCE: DePaul University Webinar - Tracking the crisis facing Air, Bus and Rail Lines to COVID-19 Wednesday, March 18th, 2020 from 10 to 10:45 am Pacific

Transportation providers throughout the country are in crisis-management mode to the dramatic drop in passenger demand resulting from coronavirus. The Chaddick Institute and several members of the Transportation Research Forum Chicago Chapter have been tracking the response of the country's most prominent airlines and bus and rail operators to COVID-19. Our discussion will highlight a few findings about U.S. based intercity providers responses to the outbreak, including major airlines, smaller and ultra-discount airlines, Amtrak, and bus lines. Chris Kopp will serve as a discussant.

Click below for the Institute's Carrier Cutback matrix on service levels. Please RSVP by emailing chaddick@depaul.edu.

[More Info](#)

NEW: ENO Webinar - Urban Planning, Transportation, and Public Health Collaborations Tuesday, March 24th, 2020 from 11 to 11:30 am Pacific

This webinar will describe several ways in which urban planners are working with data sources and colleagues in public health and healthcare. Case studies show how collaboration is being used to improve planners' ability to make data-driven decisions, measure the outcomes of a program that expands transit access, and broaden their understanding of how well the built environment and transportation access are helping to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of residents.

Please click below for more information and to register.

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CSCMP and UT Webinar - Empowering Women in Supply Chain
Thursday, March 26th, 2020 from 9 to 10 am Pacific

Women make up 40 percent of the workforce in supply chain management. This panel is predominantly comprised of young women in the early years of their careers. They will engage in a discussion about how to provide stronger and more confident communities for women in supply chain and, ultimately, fostering better working environments with more diverse organizational leadership.

Please click below for more information and to register.

[More Info](#)

Call for Abstracts: 4th VREF Conference on Urban Freight
Submission Deadline: Friday, April 10th 2020

We invite you to submit your abstracts for the first day of the conference (still scheduled for October 14th) when “Current issues influencing urban freight research” will be presented. The theme for the 2020 Conference will be “Urban freight and liveable cities: Interactions between planning, design and business for scalable innovations.”

Please click below for guidelines.

[More Info](#)

Rural Public and Intercity Bus Transportation Conference Essay and Research Paper Contest
Submission Deadline: Wednesday, April 15th 2020 by 3 pm Pacific

The 24th National Conference on Rural and Intercity Bus Transportation is scheduled to take place in October 18-22, 2020 in Charleston, SC. Undergraduate students are offered the opportunity to participate in an essay competition. Graduate students have the opportunity to participate in a research paper competition. Two essay winners and two research paper winners will receive travel funds to attend the conference.

Please click below for guidelines.

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NEW: Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program - Grants for Research Fellowship
Submission Deadline: Monday, April 27th 2020 by 1 pm Pacific

The DDETFP Grants for Research Fellowship (GRF) is structured to provide opportunities with USDOT Program Offices which are interested in attracting workforce ready students pursuing their Master’s or Doctoral degrees in transportation-related disciplines. The proposed 5 project assignments include the following: Steel Bridge Bearing Stiffener Details to Avoid Constraint-induced Fractures; Spatial and Temporal Probability-based Non-destructive Evaluation (NDE) Data Analysis; Artificial Intelligence (AI) Application for Vehicle Tracking Using Loop Signature Matching Technology; Current Dynamics in the U.S. Workforce and Impact on FHWA Workforce Development Programs; and Emerging Skills in the Transportation Workforce.

Please click below for more information.

[More Info](#)

Asian American Architects/Engineers Association Scholarship, Loan, and Grant Opportunities
Submission Deadline: Friday, May 29th, 2020

The Asian American Architects/Engineers Association (AAa/e) is committed to the empowerment of design professionals in personal growth, professional excellence, business development, and leadership in our communities. The purpose of the scholarships, grants, and awards is to provide encouragement and financial support for undergraduate students excelling in their studies in the fields of architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, and construction (AEC).

Please click below to view a quick rundown of scholarships and respective requirements. For general scholarship information, please visit the AAa/e website [here](#).

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Internships & Jobs

Featured Opportunity

Sound Transit - Seattle, WA
Operations Intern
Apply ASAP



More Info

Title	Agency/Firm	Deadline
Modeling/Technology, Data, and Analysis Internship	San Francisco County Transportation Authority	20-Mar-20
	San Francisco, CA	
Student Assistant - Administration Support (# CT50118)	Caltrans	29-Mar-20
	Stockton, CA	
JPL Summer Internship Program (SIP) - 2020	Jet Propulsion Laboratory Caltech	30-Mar-20
	Online	

Click here for more Internships!

Interested in part- or full-time job positions instead? **Below** is the button for you!

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