



**Institute of Transportation Engineers  
Western District  
Outstanding Student Award**

**Background**

Do you know an undergraduate or graduate student who has shown exceptional dedication to the transportation profession, extraordinary enthusiasm for ITE, untiring labor toward transportation research, or unwavering professionalism in an intern position? The Western District would like to recognize Outstanding Students at the Western District Annual Meeting.

The Western District will choose two winners: one undergraduate student and one graduate student. The winners of these two awards will receive a plaque, a \$500 monetary prize, and free registration at the Western District Annual Meeting.

**Nomination**

If you'd like to nominate a student, please complete the following:

1. Complete Nomination Form.
2. Attach a recommendation letter, no more than two pages in length, addressing your nominee's contributions to ITE and the transportation profession (use the questions below).
3. Send submissions electronically as one file in PDF format.

**Questions for the Recommendation**

The following questions are provided only as guidance for your recommendation letter. An Outstanding Student may achieve distinction in other ways not mentioned below.

<b>Academics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Has your nominee excelled in transportation or other engineering courses?</li> <li>- Does your nominee assist other students with projects or homework?</li> <li>- Has your nominee served as a teaching or lab assistant, and if so, is he or she particularly effective in this role?</li> </ul>
<b>Research</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Has your nominee participated in a research project of significance to the transportation profession?</li> <li>- Has this student undertaken an ambitious and noteworthy thesis project?</li> <li>- Has this student's contribution to a research project provided invaluable support and assistance?</li> <li>- Has your nominee taken the initiative to conduct an independent study project?</li> </ul>
<b>Internship/ Co-Op Experience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- What hands-on experience opportunities has your nominee undertaken?</li> <li>- Has your nominee assisted in identifying and coordinating work experiences for other students?</li> <li>- Through recent internships or co-op experiences, has your nominee already proved to be an invaluable employee?</li> </ul>
<b>ITE Service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If currently serving as an ITE student chapter officer, describe your nominee's exceptional leadership qualities.</li> <li>- Does your nominee invest a generous amount of time in ITE activities?</li> <li>- Has your nominee's enthusiasm for ITE affected other students and prompted their decision to join ITE or become more active?</li> </ul>

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**Nomination Form**

**Nominee Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

College/ University: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuing Degree:  Bachelor's

Master's

Ph.D

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Contact Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

College/ University: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a recommendation letter, no more than two pages in length, addressing your nominee's contributions to ITE and the transportation profession.

Please return nominations by e-mail  
**NO LATER THAN 5 PM PST ON APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>** to:

**Josh McNeill**

JMcNeill@iteris.com

For questions, contact Career Guidance Committee Chair Josh McNeill at  
949.270.9579 or JMcNeill@iteris.com.