

2019 Transportation Safety Summer Research Internship

Program Description and Application Guidelines

Program Dates May 28 - August 2, 2019

Location Texas A&M Transportation Institute,
RELLIS Campus, Bryan, Texas

Purpose

The program is designed to provide outstanding undergraduate students an opportunity to contribute to ongoing research in how disruptive technologies impact transportation safety and further their knowledge of the transportation safety field.

Benefits

- Explore whether graduate school is right for you
- Visit another campus
- Meet students from across the country with similar interests

Funding

The 10-week internship provides compensation of \$6,000, housing near the main campus of Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, and a generous food allowance. *(Note: Interns who do not need the housing provided by the program will receive an equivalent housing allowance. All cash compensation is taxable income.)*

Applicant Eligibility

- Any academic major
- Interest in transportation safety and a desire to actively participate in ongoing research projects
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Completed junior year (at least 90 hours) by the end of Spring 2019
- On track to graduate no sooner than December 2019

Participant Requirements and Expectations

- Interns may not be enrolled in university courses during the internship period.
- Attendance is mandatory at internship events including the final poster session.
- Interns are expected to commit 40 hours/week during the internship, including:
 - Research as determined by the research mentor
 - Mandatory internship activities, including some evenings

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Participant Requirements and Expectations *(cont.)*

- Over the course of the internship, students will create:
 - Research plan
 - Progress report(s)
 - Research project abstract
 - Final paper
 - Final poster presentation

Application Packet Requirements

- 1) Completed application (see following page)
- 2) Personal essay (maximum 500 words) answering the following questions: Why do you think transportation safety is important, how will disruptive technologies affect safety, and why are you interested in this internship opportunity?
- 3) Current transcript (can be a downloaded version)
- 4) Letter of recommendation from a faculty member at your college/university

Deadline

- Friday, February 1, 2019, 5:00 pm CST
- Complete application packets must be received by email, mail/courier or fax by the deadline. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- Notifications of acceptance will be made by February 28, 2019.

Contact Information

For questions, or to submit an application, contact:

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