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MOVITE MINUTE

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Read for New Opportunities!

This editor's note is a little different than in the previous editions of the MOVITE Minute. With my recent election to the MOVITE Board, I will be moving into new roles and taking on new responsibilities within our District. To maintain frequent updates through our social media platforms and create new editions of the MOVITE Minute, we are looking for members interested in getting involved with our communications. Since the Communications Director role has evolved in recent years, our plan is to split the role into two new positions that will work closely together moving forward. The two positions we are looking to fill are the Social Media Director and the Journal Editor.

The Social Media Director will be responsible for providing updates across our existing social media platforms. Posts should regularly be posted to our LinkedIn Group, Facebook page, and assist with the President's Twitter as needed.

The Journal Editor will create new editions of this MOVITE Minute multiple times per year. Our goal is to highlight members, events, resources, and opportunities happening around our District and through ITE.

We're looking for someone who is creative and passionate about ITE. These positions are a perfect opportunity for newer members trying to get involved in MOVITE, especially our younger members transitioning from school to the workforce. I started as the Communications Director about a year after graduating from my undergraduate program and quickly became involved in the District through this position. Please reach out to me at the contact information below if you're interested in either of these roles or have any questions.

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Communications Director

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Sponsorship Highlights

For over 60 years, MOVITE has become a successful organization dedicated to bringing individuals together to advance the knowledge and skills of transportation professionals throughout the six-state region of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas. MOVITE's success would not have been possible without the generous annual support of our many corporate and agency sponsors.

We would like to thank the following 2022 Calendar Year Sponsors for generously donating to help support the mission of MOVITE:

- CBB Transportation Engineers + Planners
- GBA
- General Traffic Controls
- JEO Consulting Group
- Olsson
- Snyder & Associates
- T² Traffic and Transportation
- Traffic Engineering Consultants



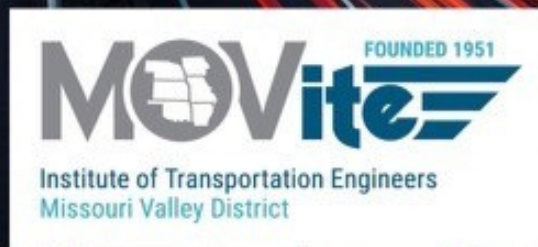
2023 MOVITE Announcements

2023 Spring MOVITE Conference

*THINGS ARE RAPIDLY
CHANGING*

June 21-23 2023

Cedar Rapids, Iowa



Save the Date!

This year's 2023 Spring MOVITE Meeting will be hosted by the Iowa Section of ITE from June 21-23, 2023 (Wed - Fri) in Cedar Rapids, Iowa



MOVITE 2023 Annual Sponsorship Opportunity

If your company would like to become a 2023 Annual Sponsor for MOVITE, the contribution is \$300. Your logo will be featured on our website, multiple editions of the MOVITE Minute, and potential social media posts. Payments can now be made through our [website](#) and company information can be sent to the 2023 MOVITE Treasurer, Matt Kruse (Matt.Kruse@LampRynearson.com).



2023 MOVITE Announcements

MOVITE 2023 Scholarship Donation

Interested in giving back to the next generation of transportation professionals? MOVITE has provided scholarships to students over the years to further their education within the transportation profession. All thanks to the generous support of our individual members and industry sponsors, we continue this tradition going into the new year. If you are able, please consider donating to the MOVITE scholarship fund through our [website](#).



2ND ANNUAL GSITE CONFERENCE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 2023

BUSCH STUDENT CENTER, SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY



Awards & Scholarships

Professional Award Nominations Open

Know a hardworking MOVITE member that you would like to recognize? Nominations are open for various MOVITE professional awards, including:

- Distinguished Member (March 1)
- John B. Pinkley Industry Member (March 1)
- Melvin B. Meyer Transportation Professional of the Year (June 1)
- Patrick T. McCoy Education Professional of the Year (June 1)
- Transportation Achievement (may be presented in the categories of Complete Streets, TSMO, Safety, Planning, and Traffic Engineering) (March 1)
- Rising Star (March 1)

Any questions should be directed to the MOVITE President, Amanda Brauer (ABrauer@sccmo.org). Click [here](#) for more information on each award.

Student Award & Scholarship Opportunities

MOVITE awards the Thomas J. Seburn Student Paper Award and Jan Kibbe Student Scholarship each year to deserving students in the MOVITE area taking courses in a transportation-related field. All materials for both awards are due to the MOVITE Vice President, Kendra Miller, no later than March 1, 2023. For more information, go to the [MOVITE website](#).

Student chapters are encouraged to consider the criteria outlined in the Student Chapter Momentum and Outstanding Student Chapter awards when completing annual reports. All student chapters that submit a report meeting the submittal criteria will be awarded \$100, while the winner student chapters will receive additional awards. Reports are due March 1, 2023.

Join us on Social Media for the most current news and updates!



Missouri Valley
District of ITE
@MoviteFB



MOVITE (Missouri
Valley District of ITE)
Group Page



@MovitePrez

Student Chapter Spotlight

The University of Kansas ITE Student Chapter was organized in 1974. The chapter became dormant in the early 2000s, but it has been active again since May 21, 2007, when a group of students teamed up together with the objective of reviving the chapter and connecting students to the transportation engineering community.

In re-establishing the chapter and gaining recognition from the University, the team faced several challenges. However, by the end of the 2007-2008 academic year, the membership had risen to over 30 students, and that trend has continued to rise with general membership exceeding 100 students.

This year KU-ITE's main goal is to establish a better relationship with undergraduate students at KU. In order to achieve this, we have participated in several undergraduate events this semester, including Union Fest and Rock the Block, KU's freshmen introductory events. Throughout this semester we have kept up the momentum by hosting or attending two events per month and have continued to maintain participation from general members. We hope to continue this trend into the new year and look forward to hosting and attending more ITE events!



2022-2023 Chapter Officers:

Karsh Bhatt (President)

Fahmid Toursif (VP)

Nazifa Akter (Treasurer)

Payton Smith (Secretary)

Nikhila Gunda (Student/Professional Advisor)

Steve Schrock (Faculty Advisor)

Social Media Presence:

Instagram: [@ku_ite](#)

Facebook: [KU-ite](#)

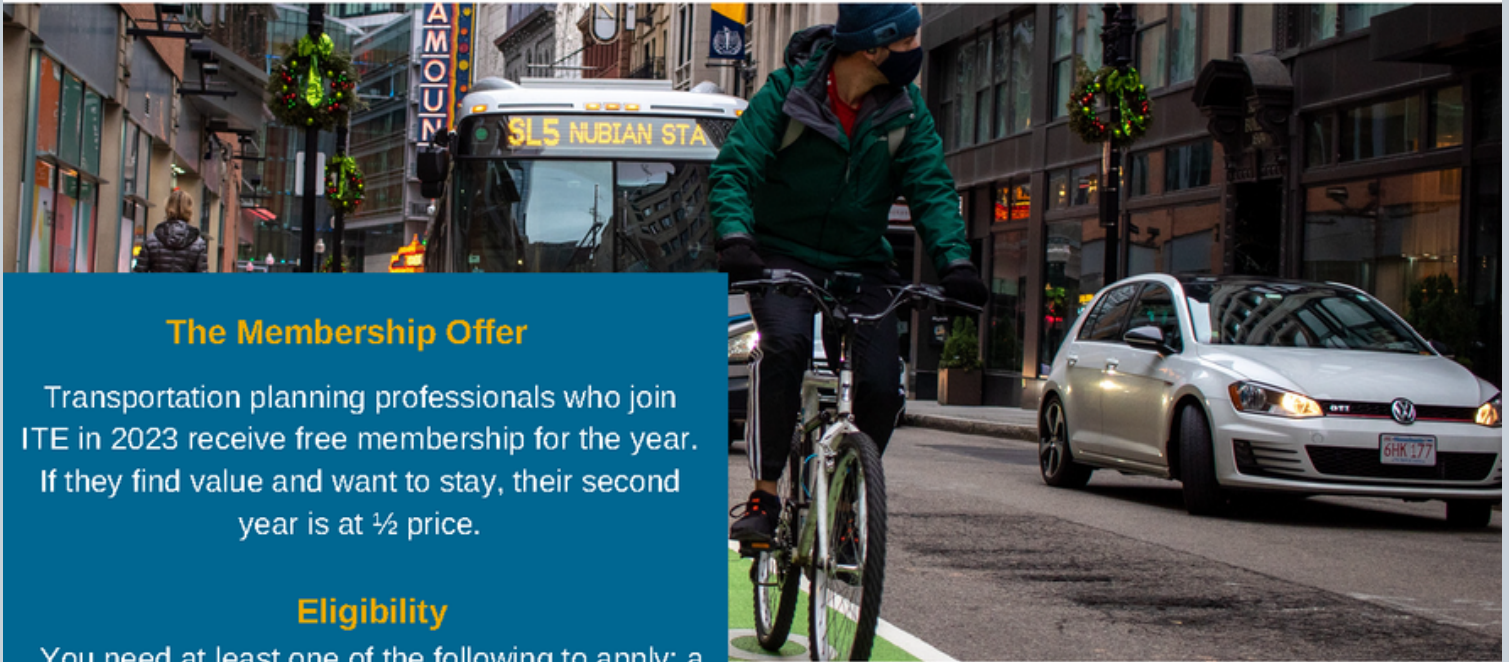
Twitter: [@ku_ite](#)

Website: ceae.ku.edu/ite





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The Membership Offer

Transportation planning professionals who join ITE in 2023 receive free membership for the year. If they find value and want to stay, their second year is at ½ price.

Eligibility

You need at least one of the following to apply; a planning degree, planning certification, and/or relevant current planning responsibility.

This offer does not apply to either current or prior members of ITE from the last 5 years.

How to Apply

Use the form below to apply. Membership applications will be reviewed and approved if the eligibility criteria are met. [CLICK HERE](#)

NEW TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROFESSIONALS MEMBERS CAN JOIN ITE FOR FREE IN 2023!

QUESTIONS?

[CONTACT MEMBERSHIP@ITE.ORG.](mailto:MEMBERSHIP@ITE.ORG)

CALLING ALL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROFESSIONALS :

DO YOU KNOW ANY PLANNERS... TELL THEM TO JOIN US HERE AT ITE!

The Value of Joining

ITE is approved by APA to provide CM credits.

Members of ITE can earn CMs to apply towards their AICP certification:

- Free live and on-demand webinars
- In-person and virtual meetings: ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibition and the ITE Spring Conference
- Topics include: Complete Streets, Equity, Transportation Impact Analysis, Sustainability, Transportation and Health
- Many resources available to transportation planning professionals can be accessed

[CLICK HERE](#)

MOVITE/OTEA

Fall Meeting

October 11 - 13, 2022



OKLAHOMA SECTION

Local Arrangements Committee

Kristie Drury
Esther Shaw-Smith
Derick Millican
Erica Myers
Michael Hofener
Alexandra Huddleston
Ryan Henderson
Todd Butler
Marty Pinkley
BJ Hawkins
Karla Diaz-Corro
James Welch
Marty Farris
Angelo Lombardo
Lauren Parrish
Luke Schmidt

Oklahoma City, OK

The 2022 Fall MOVITE Meeting was held in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City from October 11-13, 2022 at the Omni Hotel and Convention Center. A lot has changed since Oklahoma City last hosted a MOVITE meeting back in 2016. MOVITE President, Esther Shaw-Smith and the LAC Committee were thrilled to welcome MOVITE members back with fun Ted Lasso goodies and a streetcar pass for attendees to explore the City with.

Attendees embraced the "Catching on to Transportation Trends" theme of the meeting by utilizing various modes of transportation: streetcars, cars, buses, bikes, scooters, and walking to get around Oklahoma City.



LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE AT WELCOME TABLE

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Fall Meeting

October 11 - 13, 2022



Oklahoma City, OK

The meeting kicked off on Tuesday with a Golf Tournament at Lincoln Park during the afternoon and an Ice Breaker event at night. Meeting attendees gathered at Bricktown Brewery to network, listen to music, and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and drinks.



Wednesday started off with a delicious continental breakfast and welcoming remarks from Oklahoma Secretary of Transportation, Tim Gatz. ITE International President, Beverly Thompson Kuhn provided an update on recent ITE initiatives and opportunities. The day continued with sessions covering a variety of transportation topics and breaks with exhibitors.



The MOVITE Business Meeting was held during lunch with MOVITE updates provided by the Board. Professional awards for 2022 were announced (go to page 12 to see the winners). If you would like to nominate a member for an award in 2023, the applications can be found [here](#).

For those interested in upcoming ITE initiatives, there were sessions to learn about these opportunities and resources. ITE International President Beverly Thompson Kuhn and Vice President Rosana Correa were present for a Town Hall to discuss topics at the International level, share ideas of what other districts are doing, and answer questions from members. MOVITE's Leadership ITE graduates held a forum to discuss topics within the district and listen to ideas from members.

Wednesday's evening started with a social event at the City and State rooftop restaurant and bar. The night continued with a pub crawl to Twisted Spike Brewery and Social Capital. For those who were dedicated to keeping the night going, some continued on to a karaoke bar nearby. Don't worry, we didn't include video content from that point in the night.

The Past Presidents Breakfast and exhibitor sessions wrapped up the conference on Thursday morning. We hope you enjoyed your time in OKC if you were able to attend!



While some attendees were traveling back home at the conclusion of the meeting, a group of bike enthusiasts stayed for a bike tour of Oklahoma City. Check out the group's stop at Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark! Keep an eye out for information on bike tours for future MOVITE meetings.

2022 MOVITE AWARD WINNERS



Outstanding Section Award:

Gateway Section of ITE

Transportation Achievement Award for Traffic Engineering:

North Vine Street (US-183) Corridor Improvements
*WSP USA Inc., The City of Hays, KS, Kansas Department
of Transportation, Kirkham Michael, and Smoky Hill
Construction*



Transportation Achievement Award for TSMO:

Iowa's Comprehensive Work Zone Management Program
Iowa Department of Transportation & SRF Consulting
Group



MOVITE District Rising Star:

Adam Denney, PE, PTOE

Patrick T. McCoy Education Professional of the Year:

Ryan Fries, PH.D, PE
(Southern Illinois University Edwardsville)



OTEA Scholarship Winners:

H M Imran Kays (Oklahoma University)
Maisha Khan (Oklahoma University)
Alton Robinson (Missouri S&T)

Around the District



The Missouri S&T ITE Student Chapter has joined Instagram! Are you a S&T alum or interested to see what our student chapters are up to? Give their recently created [@mst_ite](#) Instagram page a follow.



ISITE Holiday Party

Iowa Section of ITE met in Eastern Iowa earlier this month for an axe-throwing social. ISITE sure knows how to "throw" a good holiday party!



SIUE Student Chapter

Student chapters are always looking for speakers to present at their meetings, so don't hesitate to reach out to your local student chapter with presentation ideas. Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) kicked off the school year with guest speakers to learn more about ITE membership opportunities and transportation engineering.



Nathan Becknell Appointed to TPCB Board

MOVITE's most recent LeadershipITE graduate has had quite a year in 2022. Nathan Becknell, PE, PTOE, PTP was appointed to the TPCB Board as Organizational Director. His three-year term is effective January 1, 2023.

Welcome New ITE Members

Since the last edition of the MOVITE Minute, we have had new members join ITE. Let's give them a warm welcome! Feel free to reach out to any active member to learn about how to get involved.

Abdulazeez Lawal
Tarcisio Muratori, Jr.
Kyle Thompson
Connor Barham
Riley Wilson
Jacob Michael Johnson
Kyle Boyce
Amanda Miller
Madelynn Ratke
Korben Neftzger
Lucas J. Dutcher
Kati Horner
Ryan DeVasher
Norel Mcadoo
Brian McNabb
Matthew Jessen
Ashraf Siddiqui
Duane Bebee, III
Benjamin Tyler Simodynes

Negar Rafiee
Athena Zamiri
Dhiraj Khanal
Samjhana Khakurel
Ujwal Raj Sah
Jacob Sprengeler
Colten Daake
Jeff Sobczyk
Jen Hesterberg
Tunazzina Binte Alam
Sydney Faerber
Hamza Attiq
Awais Ali
Salman Sameer
Ali Hamza
Sheraz Ali
Abdullah Ayoub
Malaika Sehar
Bilal Naveed
Kashif Bhatti

Fernando Oliveira
Jose R. Aguilar Melgar
Kaine K. McClelland, PTP
James P. Walden, AICP
Michael Volk
Joshua Hartley
James Martin Farris
Gyeongmin Kang
Jessica Gay
Robert Alan Myers, AICP
Peter N. Williams, AICP, GISP
Haley Dougherty
Shawna Beron
Zhi Chen, AICP
R. Todd Ashby, AICP
Allison Van Pelt, CC-P
Dylan Mullenix, AICP
Andrew Dylan Collings, AICP
Dax M. Suntken

June TPCB Exam Period



Those interested in applying to the June 2023 exam period should submit by midnight, March 20, 2023. Find more information on these certifications and upcoming exam periods by visiting the [TPCB website](#).



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NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

ITE DIVERSITY SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Accepting Applications for 2023 – Deadline is March 15, 2023.

**Need Money for College?
Looking for a Mentor/Internships to Help with Your Career Planning?
Interested in Transportation?**

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.

This program is open to any U.S. high school or community college student transferring to a 4-year university of African-American; Native American, Alaskan, and Hawaiian; or Hispanic/Latino heritage with an interest in a career in transportation and seeking to study transportation engineering, planning, or in a related-field at a school with an established ITE Student Chapter.

The four cornerstones to this program are:

- Financial support (a total of up to \$20,000 in scholarship support: up to \$4000 annually per student for up to 5 years of undergraduate enrollment)
- ITE Student Chapter engagement
- Mentoring
- Internship Opportunities

Eligibility requirements include (but are not limited to) the following:

- United States high school or community college student of African American; Native American, Alaskan, and Hawaiian; or Hispanic/Latino heritage
- Intended or declared major in transportation engineering, planning, or a related field,
- Full-time enrollment at a college or university with an ITE student chapter,
- Additional preferences for first generation college students.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO APPLY NOW!

For more information, including a full listing of eligibility requirements and how to apply, visit www.ite.org/diversityscholar. This scholarship is provided through the generosity of the ITE Legacy Fund.

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