

**DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER  
TRANSPORTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM  
(DDETFP)**

Local Completion at

**California State University, Dominguez Hills**



Sponsored by

**U.S. Department of Transportation**  
Federal Highway Administration  
Universities and Grants Programs



**Fiscal Year 2020**

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM:**

The **EISENHOWER TRANSPORTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM** provides funding for the pursuit of Associates, Bachelors (junior and senior), Masters or Doctoral Degrees in transportation related fields. The program objectives are to attract the nation's brightest minds to the field of transportation; to enhance the careers of transportation professionals by encouraging them to seek advanced degrees; and to retain top talent in the transportation industry of the United States.

## **ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE:**

A list of all transportation-related academic disciplines can be found in Appendix I at the end of this document.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

Applicants applying for the Eisenhower Transportation Fellowships must be:

- pursuing a degree
  - in a transportation-related discipline (see Appendix I)
  - in a full-time program
  - enrolled for the entire academic year in an accredited U.S. institution of higher education
  - and have at least one full academic year remaining in the program of study and be at least an undergraduate junior or higher at the start of the upcoming Fall Semester.
- conducting ongoing research in one or more transportation-related disciplines
- planning to enter the transportation profession after completing their higher-level education
- Graduate students only: Possess a baccalaureate degree from, or be a confirmed graduating undergraduate senior at, an institution of higher education, which must be accredited by a federally recognized accrediting agency and must be located within the United States or its territories, both administratively as well as the campus the student attended

Students who are not U.S. citizens must provide a valid copy of their student I-20 ID from the institution or I-551 Permanent Resident Card that is issued by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (CIS)<sup>1</sup>.

Applicants must meet all of the aforementioned requirements to be considered.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

The Eisenhower Transportation Fellowships will be awarded on the basis of merit. Merit includes:

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<sup>1</sup> A Permanent Resident Card (Form I-551), commonly known as a Green Card, is evidence of your status as a lawful permanent resident with a right to live and work permanently in the United States. It also is evidence of your registration in accordance with United States immigration laws. Once students are accepted by the school, the University / College provides students a form known as a Certificate of Eligibility (SEVIS I-20).

- Academic record and achievement (class standing, GPA on the official university transcripts, level of academic accomplishments, recognitions, and demonstrated leadership)
- Potential for outstanding career in transportation (recommendations, transportation work experience, if any, including employer’s endorsement, and list of related conference/journal publications in the resume)
- Proposed Plan of Study and Impact Statement
- Personal Statement

**FELLOWSHIP AWARD:**

All Student Designees may not receive a full award (i.e. tuition, stipend, and travel to Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting). Fellowship award will be based on the rankings from the local Selection Panel. All selected Student Designees receive up to \$1,500 to be used toward attendance at the TRB Annual Meeting in Washington D.C in January 2021.

- TUITION CAP: Annually a maximum of \$10,000 in tuition and mandatory fees may be covered by the DDETFP.
- STIPEND & TAXES: DDETFP Local Competition Campus Program Managers will determine stipends based on the local cost of living figures and shall be calculated as follows. Student designee shall be advised that the stipend portion of the award is taxable.

MONTHLY STIPEND	
ASSOCIATE LEVEL	UP TO \$1,000
BACHELOR LEVEL	UP TO \$1,450
MASTER LEVEL	UP TO \$1,700
DOCTORAL LEVEL	UP TO \$2,000

**RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:**

- Current U.S. Department of Transportation employees are not eligible for the DDETFP.
- Student Designees will be provided a one-time expenditure (up to \$1,500) for travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual meeting held January 2021. Failure to meet this requirement will result in loss of funding associated designated for this activity.
- All Student Designees shall prepare a thesis/dissertation, or research paper on a topic directly related to a relevant transportation problem or issue. The faculty advisor must approve student research topics.
- Student designees are eligible for funding only during the months of full-time enrollment in a degree program, or during on- site research projects or internships at federal, state, or local government agencies.
- During the tenure of the award, the Student Designees must maintain satisfactory academic performance as established by the institution.

## **STUDENT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS & CONTENT:**

Please read the entire fellowship guidelines before you apply. All application materials **must** be typed. Printed / Handwritten and incomplete applications will not be considered. A complete student application consists of the following:

- Student File Information Sheet (Appendix II) – Must be typed
- Personal Statement (Appendix III) – Must be typed
- Proposed Plan of Study and Impact Statement (Appendix IV) – Must be typed
- SF 424 Individual (Appendix V)
- Resume (including any transportation work experience, if any, as well as employer’s endorsement)
- Official Transcripts<sup>2</sup>
- 2 letters of recommendations (one letter must be from current faculty advisor)

Please submit all your documents in a single pdf file to Dr. Mahmoud Salari (msalari@csudh.edu)

**Application deadline is June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

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<sup>2</sup> Transcripts must be sent from all institutions in which a degree was obtained. If you are applying for the Doctoral Fellowship, official transcripts must be sent from the institution where you obtained your Master’s Degree and your current institution. If you are applying for the Masters Fellowship, official transcripts must be sent from the institution where you obtained your Bachelors transcripts and your current institution.)

## Appendix I: Transportation Related Academic Disciplines\*



### **SCIENCES**

Architecture  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Communication  
Computer Science  
Criminal Justice  
Environmental Science  
Information Systems  
Mathematics  
Physics

### **BUSINESS**

Accounting  
Business Administration  
Finance  
Economics  
Management

### **HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Human Factors  
Human Resources  
Psychology

### **AVIATION**

Aeronautical Studies  
Airway Science  
Aviation Flight Management  
Science

### **ENGINEERING**

Chemical Engineering  
Civil Engineering  
Construction Engineering  
Electrical Engineering  
Electronic Engineering  
Environmental Engineering  
Geotechnical Engineering  
Manufacturing Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering  
Structural Engineering  
Transportation Engineering

### **LAW**

Environmental  
Transportation

### **PUBLIC POLICY & PLANNING**

Public Policy and Analysis  
Public Administration  
Political  
Science/Government  
Urban and Regional  
Planning  
Urban Studies

### **TRANSPORTATION**

Logistics Management  
Planning  
Policy

\*Other Transportation-Related Academic Disciplines may be approved on a case by case basis by the FHWA Universities and Grants Programs, Program Manager.

## Appendix II: Student File Information Sheet

<b>FELLOWSHIP CATEGORY</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> HBCU <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HSI <input type="checkbox"/> TCU <input type="checkbox"/> API <input type="checkbox"/> CC
<b>STUDENT NAME</b>	<i>Prefix</i> <i>First Name</i> <i>Last Name</i>
<b>RACE (optional)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> African/African American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<b>ETHNICITY (optional)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino in Puerto Rico <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino in Puerto Rico
<b>Check one box and place X to indicate your status as of September 1<sup>st</sup> of the application year:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Associates <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors <input type="checkbox"/> Masters <input type="checkbox"/> Doctoral ___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Year      ___ Junior      ___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Year      ___ 1 <sup>st</sup> Year      ___ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year ___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year      ___ Senior      ___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year      ___ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year      ___ 4 <sup>th</sup> Year	
College / University	Applicant's Major
Academic Department	Applicant's Field of Study
<b>Faculty Advisor Name:</b> Name: Title: Telephone No.: E-mail Address:	<b>Campus Program Manager Name:</b> Name: Mahmoud Salari Title: Assistant Professor of Economics Telephone No.: 310-243-2447 E-mail Address: msalari@csudh.edu

### STUDENT APPLICATION CONTENT CHECKLIST

- Complete Student File Information Sheet (Current form)
- SF 424 Individual
- Application Essays
  - Personal Statement:** Include relevant background and future goals. Please outline your educational and professional development plans as well as your career goals. Describe how your education will prepare you for a career in transportation (Limit 8000 characters).
  - Research/Study Plan & Impact Statement:** Summarize both your plan of study and research plan. Describe how your research will impact and enhance the field of transportation; contribute to an understanding of transportation; and/or provide societal benefits. The proposed research must be conducted in the approved transportation-related academic disciplines (Limit 8000 characters).
- Resume
- Official Transcripts
- 2 Letters of Recommendation (one of the letters of recommendation must be from current Faculty Advisor)

**Name**

**Type**

Faculty Advisor (Required)

Personal     Academic     Professional

I am applying for funding to support the following degree:	I submitted the following official transcript(s) to complete my application.
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor	<input type="checkbox"/> Transcript from current institution
<input type="checkbox"/> Master*	<input type="checkbox"/> Transcript from current institution
	<input type="checkbox"/> Transcript from institution that awarded bachelor's degree
<input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate*	<input type="checkbox"/> Transcript from current institution
	<input type="checkbox"/> Transcript from institution that awarded master's degree
<i>*Individuals applying for graduate level funding must possess a baccalaureate degree from an Institution of Higher Education (IE) which must be accredited by a federally-recognized accrediting agency and must be located within the United States or its territories, both administratively as well as the campus the student attended.</i>	

### Appendix III: Personal Statement

**Personal Statement  
Must be typed**

Name:

The Personal Statement should include relevant background and future goals. Please outline your educational and professional development plans and career goals. Describe how your education will prepare you for a career in transportation. (Limit 8000 characters)

## Appendix IV: Proposed Plan of Study

### Proposed Plan of Study Must be typed

**Name:**

The Research Plan and impact should summarize both your plan of study and research plan. Describe how your research will impact and enhance the field of transportation; contribute to an understanding of transportation, and provide societal benefits. The proposed research must be conducted in one of the approved transportation-related academic disciplines listed in Appendix I. (Limit 8000 characters)



## Appendix V: SF 424 Individual

View Burden Statement

OMB Number 4040-0005  
Expiration Date: 10/31/2019

### APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF 424 - INDIVIDUAL

**\* 1. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:**

DOT Federal Highway Administration

**2. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER:**

20.215

**CFDA TITLE:**

Highway Training and Education

**\* 3. DATE RECEIVED:**

04/28/2020

**\* 4. FUNDING OPPORTUNITY NUMBER:**

693JJ318NF5228

**\* TITLE:**

Administration of the Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program (DDETFP) Local Competition at Designated Institutions of Higher Education

#### 5. APPLICANT INFORMATION

##### a. Name and Contact Information

Prefix:

**\* First Name:**

Middle Name:

**\* Last Name:**

Suffix:

**\* Telephone Number (Daytime):**

Telephone Number (Evening):

Email:

Fax Number:

##### b. Address

**\* Street1:**

Street2:

**\* City:**

County/Parish:

**\* State:**

Province:

**\* Country:**

**\* Zip/Postal Code:**

## Appendix V: SF 424 Individual-continue

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE SF 424 - INDIVIDUAL	
<p><b>* c. Citizenship Status:</b></p> <p><span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">U.S. Citizenship</span>    <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p><b>d. * Congressional District of Applicant:</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid red; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
<p><b>If No</b></p> <p>If permanent resident of U.S., enter the Alien Registration #:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>* If foreign national, enter country of citizenship:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>* If foreign national, enter start date of most recent residency in U.S.:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	
6. PROJECT INFORMATION	
<p><b>a. Project Title:</b></p> <div style="background-color: #e6f2ff; border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; width: 100%;"></div>	
<p><b>* b. Project Description:</b></p> <div style="border: 2px solid red; background-color: #d9ead3; height: 150px; width: 100%;"></div>	
<p><b>* c. Proposed Project:</b>    Start Date: <div style="border: 1px solid red; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>    End Date: <div style="border: 1px solid red; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div></p>	
<p><b>7. * By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)</b></p> <p><b>** I AGREE</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p><small>** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.</small></p>	
<p><b>* Signature:</b></p> <div style="border: 2px solid red; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>	<p><b>* Date Signed:</b></p> <div style="border: 2px solid red; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>