Graduate-level students involved in transportation research are invited to apply for a travel award to be used for the purpose of attending the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, January 8-12, 2017. Travel awards are sponsored by the Center for Transportation Studies (CTS) and the Roadway Safety Institute (RSI) at the University of Minnesota.

Selected students will:

1. Be reimbursed (up to $1,000) for travel to the TRB Annual Meeting, including conference expenses.
2. Be recognized in an article in CTS Catalyst and/or the RSI newsletter.

Application and Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must be graduate students enrolled at the University of Minnesota or an RSI partner university (Auburn, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Western Michigan University, University of Akron, or Southern Illinois University Edwardsville). If students are from an RSI partner university, they must be working on a safety project and their advisor must be an RSI investigator, but the student does not have to be working on an RSI-funded project.

2. Students wishing to be considered must submit the TRB student travel award application form no later than Wednesday, October 26, 2016.

Award Considerations

1. Student applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
   - Transportation-related degrees and coursework
   - Transportation research and/or thesis work conducted
   - Transportation-related papers presented and/or publications submitted or published

2. Consideration will also be given to the following:
   - Students who have presentations or posters at the 2017 TRB Annual Meeting
   - Students involved in transportation-related student organizations
   - A well-written and thoughtful summary
   - Diversity of the disciplines received

Notification

Candidates will be notified via e-mail if they have been selected to receive a travel award by Wednesday, November 2. If selected, students will be required to submit a summary describing their conference activities and how the conference impacted their interest in transportation upon completion of the conference.