PREFACE

This is the 1973 Annual Report of the Division of Research of the Council for Advanced Transportation Studies. We feel that this past year has been highly successful considering our major task of pulling together a significant multidisciplinary research effort from across our campus.

Research funding for five projects totaling $400,000 has been obtained this calendar year. These involve 18 faculty, 29 graduate students and staff from 13 disciplines in 10 colleges across the University. Funding for next year is expected to reach $600,000 based on current or programmed contracts.

The initial success and future potential of this organization is due to the interest, enthusiasm, cooperation and hard work of the key faculty and staff members involved as outlined herein, and to the administrative support of the CATS Executive Committee and other University officials.

W. R. Hudson
Director
SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS OF 1973

In any period there are highlights which emphasize the goals, growth, and direction of an organization. Key items in our development this year include:

* Receipt of a three-year contract from the Department of Transportation University Research Program in the amount of $1,500,000 in April 1973. This contract, the largest granted in the program was originally one of 34 selected from over 300 proposals submitted from across the nation.

* Hosting a two day conference-workshop entitled, "Transportation to Fulfill Human Needs in the Rural/Urban Environment." The conference attracted over 130 participants from all levels of federal, state, regional and local governments; numerous industries and associations; and other educational institutions. The interaction and exchange of ideas at the conference proved highly successful to the initiation of activities by the multidisciplinary research team.

* Receipt in June 1973 of initial funding of $19,000 from the U.S. Forest Service for a pilot study of low-cost roads. Continuation for two years to develop a working system analysis is expected.

* A two-day briefing session/workshop held in Washington, D.C. by the corresponding principal investigators for the DOT project, and DOT topic monitors and other interested personnel. This interaction at the two-thirds point of the first contract year was highly beneficial to our research team and to the prospects of full renewal (continuation) of our project into the second year.

* A one-day joint conference with Texas A&M University to discuss Transportation-Energy related problems in Texas. The importance of the joint interaction was described in a Dallas Morning News Editorial published December 29, 1973 as follows: "The effort by researchers of the two Texas Universities to pool their knowledge and wisdom in certain areas such as transportation is a step in the right direction." "In joining together to find answers to some of the problems stemming from the energy shortage, they can perform an invaluable service to Texas and to the nation."
THE COUNCIL FOR ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION STUDIES

The University of Texas Council for Advanced Transportation Studies (CATS) is a multidisciplinary organization formed to carry out research and educational programs in transportation at The University of Texas at Austin. The program focuses on national, state, and local transportation problems and provides an academic background for the development of professional careers in several fields of transportation. The Council provides a forum for faculty and student participation through close working relationships with industry and government agencies having common goals and interests in transportation education and research.

DIVISION OF RESEARCH IN TRANSPORTATION

The research division of the Council conducts multidisciplinary transportation research within The University and serves as a link between The University, industry, other universities and all levels of government for interaction on transportation problems. The Division of Research (DORT) maintains awareness of the changing needs of the society by exchanging new transportation ideas with industry and government through meetings, conferences and seminars. A continuous effort is made by DORT to identify new transportation research possibilities for The University community, focusing on specific transportation needs to solve human problems.

The Council for Advanced Transportation Studies, Division of Research has in the past two years developed the largest multidisciplinary Transportation Research activity in the nation funded under the University Research Program, U.S. Department of Transportation. The key to this development has been solid basic experience, knowledge and expertise of our University faculty team, support of the Administration and the involvement of students and faculty in the projects.

HUMAN NEED

In our DOT transportation project the phrase “human need” is meant to convey the fact that our primary thrust is human response to the transportation of persons and goods.

This thrust can be categorized under three headings:

1. human problems and the possible role of transportation in solving them;
2. human and environmental problems resulting from the physical presence of transportation systems; and
3. planning, decision-making, and the physical design of transportation systems with regard to items 1 and 2.

In the past, transportation priorities have seemed direct and easy to establish. For example, in the 1930’s it was important and relatively simple to provide all-weather roads “to get the farmer out of the mud.” During the 1940’s, defense transportation was top priority. In the 1950’s and 1960’s the development of the Interstate Highway System, a reliable air-line fleet, and similar goals were largely fulfilled.

With this background of accomplishments, we must now turn attention to the more complex and subtle problems related to improving the general quality of American life and the improvement of transportation related thereto. The function of the research outlined herein is to encourage multidisciplinary teams of researchers to attack transportation problems on a broad front. The University of Texas through its Council for Advanced Transportation Studies has a group of 69 faculty members from 25 disciplines in 10 schools and colleges who are interested in these problems.

STAFFING PLAN

CATS projects are staffed by full-time faculty members and students, with a minimum of non-teaching staff. This is in keeping with the goals and objectives of the University to tie research to academic programs. It also fulfills the desires of the DOT program that the research be academically based. As outlined elsewhere, the project staff will report directly to the Office of the President through the Council’s Executive Committee, made up of ten Deans.

The Director of Research for CATS is Dr. W. R. Hudson. Dr. Hudson is a Professor of Civil Engineering with teaching duties in Transportation. He also has administrative experience as Associate Dean of Engineering and as Acting Director for the Center for Highway Research. Dr. Shane Davies, Geography, has served as Associate Program Director. Dr. Davies is a social scientist with an excellent record of transportation research and administrative experience as former head of the Geography Department.

Other faculty members involved in CATS research projects are:

- Dr. C. Michael Walton, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering-Transportation.
- Dr. Ronald Briggs, Assistant Professor of Geography-Social and Behavioral Sciences.
- Professor Richard Dodge, Associate Professor of Architecture-Planning.
- Dr. Mark Alpert, Associate Professor of Business-Marketing.
- Dr. Stanley Arbingast, Professor of Business Administration-Bureau of Business Research.
- Dr. Anthony Healey, Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering-Vehicle Dynamics.
- Dr. William J. Dunlay, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering - Transportation.
- Dr. Patricia Burnett, Assistant Professor of Geography.
- Professor Robert Means, Professor of Law.
- Dr. Wallace Fowler, Associate Professor of Aerospace Engineering.
- Dr. James Fitzsimmons, Assistant Professor of Management.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The major effort of the Division of Research, Council for Advanced Transportation Studies, for the 1972-73 year has been to successfully initiate a $1,576,000 research program with the U.S. Department of Transportation. The details of that program are outlined below. In addition to the large DOT contract, smaller efforts are also being conducted including:

3. A Campus Transportation Survey - S. Rosenbloom, Community and Regional Planning.

Abstracts of these projects are included herein.
Several areas of the United States can be characterized as rural or sparsely populated in which exist large, widely spaced urban centers. Texas for example, has an area of 267,000 square miles, 11 million people and contains 25 Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas with 6 urban areas exceeding 250,000.

These rural/urban areas include not only the Southwest but portions of the Southeast, Midwest, and Farwest. These regions face not only the typical problems associated with travel in dense urban areas, but also the problems of intra-rural and inter-urban travel. Thus, the importance of a balanced transportation system takes on special significance in such an environment.

Transportation research and development should be directed toward solving human problems. In the past, new technology has sometimes been applied without adequate consideration of human needs. It is now essential that we carefully consider human needs in the development of transportation systems for the 1970's and 1980's, particularly with regard to personal mobility and with regard to the movement of goods and related essential services.

A large, well-directed, multidisciplinary university program can assist with these efforts by bringing together well-balanced, critical-sized multidisciplinary teams of faculty and students to study the problems and to interact with state and local governments and industry in defining and solving them. The training of college graduates in the transportation field is of crucial importance to this issue.
SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RESEARCH

An intent of this project is to establish a broad basis for continuing interaction and research in transportation and interrelationships with industry and local, state, and federal government agencies. As outlined above, a general theme has been selected for developing a program of research which will help solve long-range problems, while at the same time providing immediate useful results for the sponsors.

The broad objective of the program is to solve problems with the sponsors and cooperating agencies related to human needs and transportation needs in the rural/urban environment as typified by the great Southwest. That is to say that a variety of research can be accomplished keeping in mind the needs of both the urban and the rural traveling public. In this first year of the program, a group of five program objectives, as outlined below, has been attacked for rapid results. These first year results will also provide guidance for the future development of the program.

ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES

The concern here is with the role of transportation in providing accessibility to essential services for the rural and needy populations, both emergency and ongoing. Emergency services include fire and police protection and emergency medical assistance. Ongoing services include education, social and rehabilitation services, and health care.

Inequality in the availability of essential services between rural and urban areas is being studied. The inequality is probably a consequence of the inability of the dispersed rural population to generate a tax base or a demand concentration sufficient to provide a dense network of facilities. However, transportation techniques must be developed to make essential services available to the rural and needy populations.

Existing research is deficient because of its failures to consider the interrelationships of essential services and to recognize the complete interdependencies between the demand for essential services, the demand for transportation, the location of the population, and the location of service facilities. Present studies have not adequately considered the viability of such innovative approaches as regional service centers or mobile facilities.

During the first year of study, selection was made of the Capital Area Planning Council (CAPCO) region, consisting of the 10 counties surrounding Austin, as representatives of a typical urban/rural region for study of the question of access to essential services. Data has been collected to permit the identification of the present supply system for essential services in CAPCO.

A literature review and bibliography have been completed and are being published as research monographs. The review synthesizes and evaluates previously published research relevant to improving the accessibility of essential services. Also, completed during the first year, is the conceptual framework for defining essential services and selection of the subset to be considered in the study.

In the second year, alternate systems of supply will be generated and evaluatory capability for determining the viability and relative efficiency of alternate supply systems will be developed using cost-benefit and spatial-allocation models for year three.

THE INFLUENCE ON THE RURAL ENVIRONMENT OF INTER-URBAN TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

It is essential to develop skill in evaluating and perhaps influencing the potential for growth and development of rural communities in order to generate new vitality. This vitality is essential if the flow of residents from rural to urban America is to be checked or reversed.

A review of literature in the field has shown the need for a detailed case study in order to refine a methodology suitable to the special problems of transportation for rural communities. To this end, a single community, Sealy, Texas, was selected for study during the first year.

The result of subsequent year's research will be a planning tool to be used by local, regional and state officials in developing and evaluating proposed intercity transportation systems. This will include testing of the study methodology in two or more selected communities; the evaluation and refinement of this planning tool after implementation. To facilitate implementation the researchers are working closely with an advisory committee comprised of state transportation and planning officers and local governments of selected rural communities.

Data covering a twenty year period has been gathered on land value, land use, business activity, the transportation system, and other economic and social indicators. From an analysis of this data, a preliminary model will be developed and evaluated, and a procedure for future research will be recommended.

Investigators have used a time series approach to develop a perspective of changes within Sealy from 1950 to 1970. This development was divided into three task areas:

(1) a description of the changing growth and development characteristics of the community,
(2) a description of the changing operational and physical characteristics of the transportation system, and
(3) a description of the changing physical and operational characteristics of the connection between a community and the transportation systems.
INTERMODAL FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION AND THE NEW DALLAS-FORT WORTH REGIONAL AIRPORT

This topic is working to determine ways in which intermodal freight transportation in the Southwest can be improved, with particular attention to monitoring the changes in the travel patterns of the Southwest caused by the introduction of a major new transportation facility, the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport. Primary attention in Phase A of the study is to be devoted to improving the quality of freight transportation service, reduction of adverse environmental effects, and utilization of the available capacity and inherent advantages of all modes of transportation. Primary attention in the Phase B study has been devoted to the development of a data base and data collection plan so that the effects of the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport on the region can be identified and monitored.

Phase A of the project is divided into four parts. The first part has included an inventory and evaluation of existing freight transportation facilities, services, and practices in the study area during this first year. The second part is examining the anticipated future changes in the economic geography of the region and their impact on the transportation needs of the area. The third part will identify significant problem areas in providing transportation service in the region with significant study of the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport.

Phase B of the project involves the definition and location of an appropriate data base for the Dallas-Fort Worth area and the development of a plan for collection of any additional data needed. After interaction with the related government agencies and industry, a second and third year's work plan will be formulated.
EVALUATION OF RIDING QUALITY FACTORS IN MULTIMODAL SYSTEMS

A great deal of information is needed by way of evaluation to determine what the transportation user likes or dislikes about a particular ride or a particular mode of transport. A two-pronged attack on this problem is proposed, as outlined in this and in the subsequent topic.

Improvement of the transportation facilities is necessary for the continued development of any region. A stated goal of the Texas State and Regional Planning Boards is to "develop balanced transportation systems for the regions by combining various modes of travel and technologies for the maximum convenience and efficiency and minimum confusion and congestion in the movement of people and goods."

Movement of people assumes a system to provide safety and convenience with reasonable comfort. In an area such as the Southwest, major centers separated by distances of 200 miles or so are found and travel times with new modes of ground transportation of two hours and more may be expected. A high-quality ride for that time duration is essential if popular use of any system is to be maintained.

The major objectives of the work described are to analyze existing ride quality criteria in use for all modes, to seek a common basis, and to determine if and to what extent a common set of criteria can be used for the dual purposes of guideway and vehicle design. These criteria are to be evaluated in relation to the human attitude responses about ride quality. The common set will then be used in studies of T.A.C.V. and lower speed pneumatic tire vehicle systems so that design criteria may be established for

(1) pavement or guiding surfaces,
(2) controlled suspension and steering subsystems, and
(3) overall system controls.

HUMAN RESPONSE IN THE EVALUATION OF MODAL CHOICE DECISIONS

This research is an attempt to:

(1) evaluate the existing modes of transportation available for mixtures of inter and intra (urban and rural) travel, in terms of perceptions of current users and non-users for each mode;
(2) recommend ways in which non-users may be attracted to high-density modes through improvement of key elements of the transport systems (comfort, flexibility, etc.) and/or through properly communicating the actual advantages of the modes to potential users;
(3) evaluate proposed future modes and concepts (specifically the new Dallas-Fort Worth Airport) as to their potential demand for key passenger groups;
(4) develop a method for evaluating the relative importance of various transportation features attractive to key passenger groups; and
(5) develop a method for estimating potential users of proposed transportation modes as well as their usage rates, validate the method by testing anticipated versus actual use of the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport, and indicate those identification criteria which successfully discriminate users from non-users.

The principal methodology being used is magnitude estimation, which requires respondents to give estimates of their perceptions of stimuli in the real world. Other multivariate techniques (multiple regression, discriminant analysis, and factor analysis) will be utilized. Groups studied will include whites, blacks, and chicanos stratified according to social class and stage in the life cycle.

During the first year of the study, a model was developed and preliminary data obtained. Years two and three of the program will involve model testing and subsequent modification and application.

Topic Investigators brief other elements of the project on current research developments through many formal and informal presentations.
Project: VEHICLE NOISE STUDIES

Senior Principal Investigator: Elmer Hixson, Electrical Engineering
Principal Investigator: Doug Reynolds, Architectural Engineering
Sponsor: Department of Transportation
Proposed Completion: May 1974
Funding: $41,830 for one year
Patent: Application No. 336,051
Filed: February 26, 1973
To be granted: February 1974

It is proposed that a new method of vehicle noise measurement that compensates for microphone - vehicle distance and gives source directivity be used to isolate noise sources and modes of radiation. This information can then be used for developing noise reduction techniques. To determine a better human response model, temporal and statistical properties of vehicle generated noise will be used in addition to the traditional weighted averaged sound pressure levels.

A goal of the subjective reactions study is to develop a response-based model which will allow the determination of an optimal acoustical environment. Field data will be collected to determine the predictive contribution of several engineering indices to the response-based classification model. Thus, the overall product of the study will be a measurement system able to precisely describe both the physical characteristics of transportation noises and subjective psychological reactions to them as well. To do this, semantic differential techniques will be employed in order to develop a classification model of subjective responses to transportation noise. Then the signal parameters which affect subjective responses to the noise will be investigated in laboratory settings. Finally, the relative utility of several acoustical measurement techniques as predictors of the subjective classification model will be determined in field settings.

Project: A STUDY OF LOW-COST FOREST SERVICE ROADS

Co-Principal Investigators: W. R. Hudson, C.E., B.F. McCullough, C.E.
Research Assistant: Tom McGarragh
Sponsor: U.S. Forest Service
Completion: June 1974
Funding: $19,600 for one year (two year extension expected)

The National Forest Service maintains over 200,000 miles of roads throughout the United States. These low volume roads—ranging from narrow, unsurfaced roads to two lane asphalt concrete, paved roads—serve as access roads to recreational and timber land areas. In addition to these, another 136,000 miles of Forest Service roads are planned for construction in future years. Because of the difficulty involved in efficiently designing and maintaining road pavements in such an extensive system, the National Forest Service is sponsoring a research project with the objective of developing and implementing a working pavement design and management system for low-cost roads, in particular Forest Service roads.

The first year of this project is being devoted to the formulation of a preliminary conceptual system. To do this, it is necessary to study the parameters and constraints involved in the problem. Therefore, a comprehensive literature review to gather necessary background material was initiated and is now nearly complete. In addition to this literature review extensive interaction between Forest Service personnel and the project staff has been required, in the form of field visits and project conferences to discuss some of the many complexities of the problem. With the synthesis of information the preliminary conceptual system will be developed.

If after its presentation this conceptual system is accepted by the Forest Service there will be an opportunity to renew the program with Phase 2 of the project - the development of the actual pavement design and management system, including mathematical models and other information that is needed for optimization. This will then be followed by Phase 3 the preparation of training materials and implementation of the design and management system on a trial basis in a selected Forest Service management area.
This report is the compilation and preliminary analysis of a major campus origin and destination (O-D) study conducted by graduate students in a Community and Regional Planning course in the Spring of 1973. That O-D study was designed to gather basic data on the mobility patterns and trip-making behavior of the UT Austin campus and this report, funded through the Council for Advanced Transportation Studies, represents certain initial analyses of campus circulation patterns based on the classification and codification of that sample data.

The data in this report revealed that Wednesday was the peak day for travel to or from the University with peaks in the morning and evening. The highest peak is during the middle of the day—a combination of trips to and from lunch and the scheduling preferences of students. The larger University buildings were the ones most frequented on campus, the Business-Economics Building (BEB), Jester Center, and the Physics-Math-Astronomy Building (PMA) while the area off-campus most popular was a zone bounded by 19th to 24th streets and Guadalupe to Lamar. The popularity of this particular area is due to the dining and retail facilities that cater almost exclusively to the University community.

Pedestrian travel surpassed any other mode on campus. Variations of modal choice definitely exist when the University community is divided into two groups, students and faculty/staff. Although walking was the mode most frequently employed by both groups, the next most popular mode, the automobile, was employed by more faculty and staff than students. Further differences were discovered between the two groups.
COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES WITH GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Council for Advanced Transportation Studies Division of Research has established a broad base cooperation with a growing number of governmental offices, industries and other educational institutions. Examples of the cooperative activities include: 1) Dr. C. Michael Walton, one of the DOT project principal investigators, serving as a CATS representative on the Governor's Interagency Transportation Council; and 2) the Joint Transportation Coordinating Committee with Texas A&M University which insures better working relationships and less overlap of effort. This latter committee, jointly established by the presidents of the two universities to improve coordination on transportation activities between the universities, has met three times during the year. The committee sponsored a one day workshop on Transportation-Energy on December 17, 1973 at Texas A&M University that was attended by over 20 faculty members of the two universities. A statewide conference on one or more of Texas' transportation activities to be held in the fall 1974 is being planned.

A representative list of governmental agencies, industries and educational institutions that are cooperating in our research activities is given below:

STATE OF TEXAS COOPERATING AGENCIES

Governor's Office
Planning and Coordination
Comprehensive Health Planning
Rural Development Commission
Assistant for Educational Affairs
Information Services
Health and Human Resources Council
State Health Department
State Welfare Department
Texas Department of Public Safety
Texas Aeronautics Commission
Texas Highway Department
Texas Railroad Commission
State Board of Pardons and Paroles
Texas Department of Community Affairs
Texas Rehabilitation Commission
State Industrial Commission

COOPERATING REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Capital Area Planning Council
Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport Board
North Central Texas Council of Governments
The Council for South Texas Economic Progress

COOPERATING CITIES - CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

Dallas Chamber of Commerce
Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce
Sealy - City and Businesses
Austin Chamber of Commerce
Austin City Planning
Austin Urban Transportation
Austin Committee on Transportation

COOPERATING INDUSTRIES

LTV, Ground Transportation Division
Brown & Root, Inc.
BRH Mobility Services Company
Long-Oliver-O’Dwyer Electric, Inc.
Continental Oil Company
Engineering Foundation, Industrial Associates Program
AMF Inc.
Alaska Interstate Inc.
Airline Pilots Association
Center for Scientific Urban Planning Methods, Inc.
Rohr Corporation

COOPERATING EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Texas A&M University
Huston - Tillotson College
University of Texas at Arlington
University of Texas at San Antonio
Medical School
A vital part of any comprehensive research effort is to make the findings available to others for use and education. In this program we are accomplishing this goal by three methods:

1. Formal project reports and research memos,
2. Journal and academic publications, and
3. Oral presentations to national, state, and local groups.

PROJECT REPORTS AND RESEARCH MEMOS

Two types of project documents have been formalized. The first, Research Memos (RM), are short, direct, interim publications designed to provide rapid access to findings and easy distribution to interested parties. 50 to 250 copies of each RM are distributed to sponsors and cooperating, interested persons. The second types, Research Reports, are more formal, complete documents which cover major research findings of more permanent value. Distribution will range up to 500 copies each. Listed below are Research Memos and Reports which have been produced to date and the tentative titles report which are expected to be completed during the first year (by 6 April 1974).

RESEARCH MEMOS


PROJECT REPORTS


RR III-2, "Inventory and Evaluation of Freight Transportation in the Southwest Part II: Motor Common Carrier Service in the Dallas-Fort Worth Area" J. Bryan Adair and James S. Wilson, December 1973.


JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

The following publications and presentations have resulted totally or in part from project activities.


11. "Transportation Market Segmentation: A Determinant At-


ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Ronald Briggs, “Access to Essential Services a Conceptualization” an address before the faculty and students at the Public Affairs Program South West Texas State University, April 1973.


Charles Zlatkovich, “Freight Transportation in the Southwest” a talk to the members of the Delta Nu Alpha Transportation Fraternity, Fort Worth Chapter, January 1974.


Charles Zlatkovich, “Inventory and Evaluation of Freight Transportation in the Southwest” a talk at the transportation section of a Census Data User’s Conference, Dallas, February 1974.

Shane Davies, South West Social Sciences Meeting, Dallas, April 1974. Participant in Symposium on “Transportation and Poverty”.


W. D. Badger, Richard Dodge, “The University’s Advanced Transportation Studies Program” a part of a panel presentation to WE CARE AUSTIN, January 1974.

MANAGEMENT OF THE RESEARCH PROGRAM

A highly effective management system has been developed for the multidisciplinary research of the Council for Advanced Transportation Studies. The system is structured to provide close interaction between project personnel, insuring that each discipline maintains its own identity as it expands on the expertise of the individual study area.

The Council, headed by Dr. L. C. Reese, reports directly to the Executive Vice-President of The University. The Council is governed by an Executive Committee of Deans as follows:

Dr. Lymon C. Reese, Chairman
Dean Charles M. Burnette, Architecture,
Dean Wayne Danielson, Communications,
Acting Dean A. R. Schrank, Natural Sciences,
Dean Earnest F. Gloyna, Engineering,
Acting Dean Alexander Clark, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs,
Dean Page Keeton, Law,
Dean George Kozmetsky, Business Administration,
Dean J. W. McKie, Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Dean James R. Roach, General and Comparative Studies,
Dean Stanley Werbow, Humanities, and
Dr. W. R. Hudson, Director, Division of Research in Transportation.

Research management is handled through the Division of Research of the Council. Thus, accomplishments of a faculty member in any discipline are quickly recognized by his dean as a member of the Executive Committee and this information, along with the man’s teaching and departmental research activities, can be used to justify directly promotions, raises, and other rewards. Therefore, CATS not only provides coordinated control for the research program, but also a close tie for each active researcher to his own Department and Dean.

A Budget Advisory Committee has been appointed by the President of The University to set overall policy for the Division of Research, to ad-
vise the Director of Research and the research group on their activities as needed and to assist the CATS Executive Council coordinating these activities with all phases of The University as required by the multidisciplinary nature of the work. The committee members are:

Dr. Stanley Arbingast, Bureau of Business Research,
Mr. George R. Blitch, Office of Research Management,
Dr. C. Shane Davies, Geography
Dr. W. R. Hudson, Chairman,
Mr. Hudson Matlock, Civil Engineering,
Dr. Lymon C. Reese, College of Engineering (Ex Officio), and
Professor Richard L. Dodge, Architecture (Ex Officio).

RELATION TO ACADEMIC PROGRAMS IN TRANSPORTATION

Six schools and colleges of The University of Texas at Austin and a number of other divisions have ongoing programs in transportation and in transportation-related fields. Some of these programs have been in existence for many years and have historically cooperated with each other in various research projects. In addition, multidisciplinary graduate programs in transportation have been available in some of the present graduate degree structures for a number of years.

The academic programs currently available provide all of the elements necessary for the rapid synthesis of truly multidisciplinary formal graduate degree programs in transportation. The Academic Division of the Council for Advanced Transportation Studies, under the leadership of Richard L. Dodge as Acting Director is charged with the task of working out the details for formalizing these programs.

The present curricula provides a firm foundation for the development of multidisciplinary transportation programs and the present faculty have much experience in the teaching of transportation and transportation-related courses.

POSSIBILITIES FOR INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

The Introduction of academic training in a cross-disciplinary, public-oriented area such as transportation offers unique opportunities for "new" modes of education. While these methods are not original, they have not been used on a large scale in traditional higher education. We propose to develop innovative educational programs in transportation at The University of Texas at Austin. Exchange programs and internships are being formulated with the Governor's office and the Department of Transportation.

INTERNSHIPS, EXTERNSHIPS, AND PRACTICUMS. Several major internship programs are currently available at The University of Texas at Austin. These activities usually are connected with disciplines leading to professional practice and sometimes partially satisfy licensing and certification requirements, as well as academic requirements. These will be expanded in transportation.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMS. Much could be gained by using as faculty, employees in transportation-related industry or government on a visiting or temporary basis. Arrangements would be made with outside firms to grant "industrial leaves of absence" for University service. In exchange, University faculty would be encouraged to take leaves of absence for work in industry, as presently done.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM PROJECTS. This technique is now used by the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs. Teams of students from several disciplines work together on a problem in transportation related to some current public need. Supervision by faculty is provided and project duration can be as long as one year.
One of the important aspects of transportation research and the development of students seeking careers in the field of transportation is the opportunity to hear the viewpoints of those now working towards solutions to current transportation questions.

In the recent past we have been privileged to have, as visitors to the university, distinguished guest speakers from industry, all levels of government and other universities.

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Topic investigators such as Dr. Tony Healey contribute many hours to transportation research in addition to teaching.
STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The Division of Research has a number of graduate students participating in various aspects of the programs. During the first year there were 36 graduate students from 15 disciplines actively involved in research activities. Many of these students are utilizing research within the DOT project toward theses, dissertations and professional reports, most of whom will complete their respective graduate programs in 1974-75.

These students are:


Graduate students and faculty are provided opportunities throughout the year to hear speakers with differing viewpoints on transportation such as Congressman Jake Pickle discussing the governments' role in transportation problems.
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There are six full-time and 11 part-time staff members working on the program:

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Education
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General and Comparative Studies
Humanities
Law
The Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs
Natural Sciences
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Bureau of Economic Geology
Bureau of Engineering Research
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Center for Research in Water Resources
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Continuing Engineering Studies
Engineering Mechanics Research Laboratory
Hydraulic Engineering Group
Latin American Studies Institute
Marine Science Institute
Natural Resources and Environment Division
Pavements Systems Research Laboratory

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Short courses, conferences, and seminars focusing on critical problems in transportation will be offered in several areas with emphasis placed on efficient and cost effective implementation of solutions. Short courses and/or seminars concentrating on the application of results of the various research projects will be held when appropriate to present findings for implementation.
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