THE TRANSPORTATION UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (TURF) PROGRAM

at the University of Connecticut (UConn) is an intensive summer research experience designed for junior and senior undergraduate college students who are preparing for careers in Transportation. Fellows receive $2,000 to pursue individual research projects (beginning in early June and ending mid-August) under the guidance of CTLS-affiliated faculty and researchers.

Fellows gain experience in proposal writing, research techniques, research project planning and project execution. The program introduces students to projects of the sort encountered during postgraduate research training and fosters an understanding of the planning, discipline, and teamwork involved in the pursuit of answers to critical questions in transportation systems and planning. At the end of the program fellows have the opportunity to prepare academic posters and present their research to an audience of their peers and advisors.

I thought it was very beneficial and was an excellent way to get some solid experience in my field of interest as an undergrad.

Overall, I thought the experience was a great one. I feel much more prepared for a job in this field than I ever did before.

THE 2014 TURF FELLOWS

ADAM POLINSKI
“Mapping Parking as an Indicator of Transportation Policy”
Advisors: Dr. Norman Garrick, Civil and Environmental Engineering and Dr. Carol Atkinson-Palombo, Geography

QIWEI ZHENG
“Data-Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS)”
Advisor: Dr. Eric Jackson, Civil and Environmental Engineering/Connecticut Transportation Institute

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