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## Upcoming Events

February 7—8th, 2019; Jackson, MS; Winter Section Meeting

March 31—April 3, 2019; Arlington, VA; Joint Southern and Mid-Colonial District Annual Meeting

June 5—7, 2019; ALSITE/DSITE Joint Summer Meeting, The Beach Club, Fort Morgan, AL

July 21—24, 2019; Austin, TX; ITE Annual Meeting and Exhibit

## Next Meeting

The Winter 2019 Section Meeting will be held February 7th & 8th in Jackson, MS. Additional details will be distributed to members as they become available. Those who wish to give a technical presentation or sponsor a break may contact 2019 DSITE Vice-President [Prasanth Malisetty](#).

## Section News and Updates

Results for the 2019 election came in at a tie for Secretary/ Treasurer. The board made an executive decision allowing both candidates to serve consecutively. Congratulations to **Jessica Dilley** on being elected Secretary/Treasurer for 2019, and to **Tim Bryan** on being elected Secretary/Treasurer for 2020. **Suzanne Dees** was elected to serve as the Southern District Section Representative for Mississippi.

Southern District ITE held their year-end meeting November 11th and 12th in New Orleans, LA (photo below). Discussion topics included 2019 award nominations and a leadership summit for student members. Newly elected SDITE Officers were sworn in.



## 2018 Fall Section Meeting

The Deep South ITE Fall Section Meeting was October 25th & 26th at the Transportation Training and Education Center in Baton Rouge, LA. DSITE would like to thank **Dean Tekell** and **Doug Robert**, Urban Systems, and Arcadis for sponsoring breaks and lunch during the meeting.

The following Technical Presentations were given:

*Analysis of Police Manual Traffic Control*; Dr. Brian Wolshon—LSU

*Setting the Wheels in Motion; EBR Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan and Baton Rouge Bike Share*; April Renard—LADOTD; Lindsey West—Bantam Strategy

*Operational and Safety Attributes of an Alternative Design, Space-Efficient, One Sided Interchange*; Chris Melson—Trans-SET

*Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures*, Thomas Montz and Samit Deo—Arcadis

*Roundabout Lighting Requirements*; Josh Harrouch—LADOTD

*FHWA—Every Day Counts*; John Broemmelsiek and Betsey Tramonte—FHWA

*Market Basket Analysis of Safety at Active Highway-Railroad Grade Crossings*; William Saunders—LADOTD

*Systems for Horizontal Curve Data Collection and Assessment*; Jim Brennan—Quality Counts

During Thursday's lunch, members took part in a tour of Trans-SET, the Transportation Consortium of South-Central States. Thursday evening, a reception was held for members and meeting attendees at Walk-On's Bistreaux & Bar near the LSU campus. The business meeting took place on Friday morning.



DSITE Members Tour Trans-SET

DSITE Awards were announced at the fall meeting. The following members were presented with awards for service in the year 2017:

Neel Award:  
Mike Palamone

Exnicios Award:  
Scott Boyle

Epps / Dart Award:  
Dr. Feng Wang



**Mike Palamone** (above) attended the fall meeting and was presented with the Neel Award. **Scott Boyle** was not able to attend and will be presented with the Exnicios Award at a section meeting next year. **Dr. Feng Wang** has relocated to Texas and has been contacted by members for delivery of the Epps/Dart Award.



## 2018 Annual Meeting and Exhibit

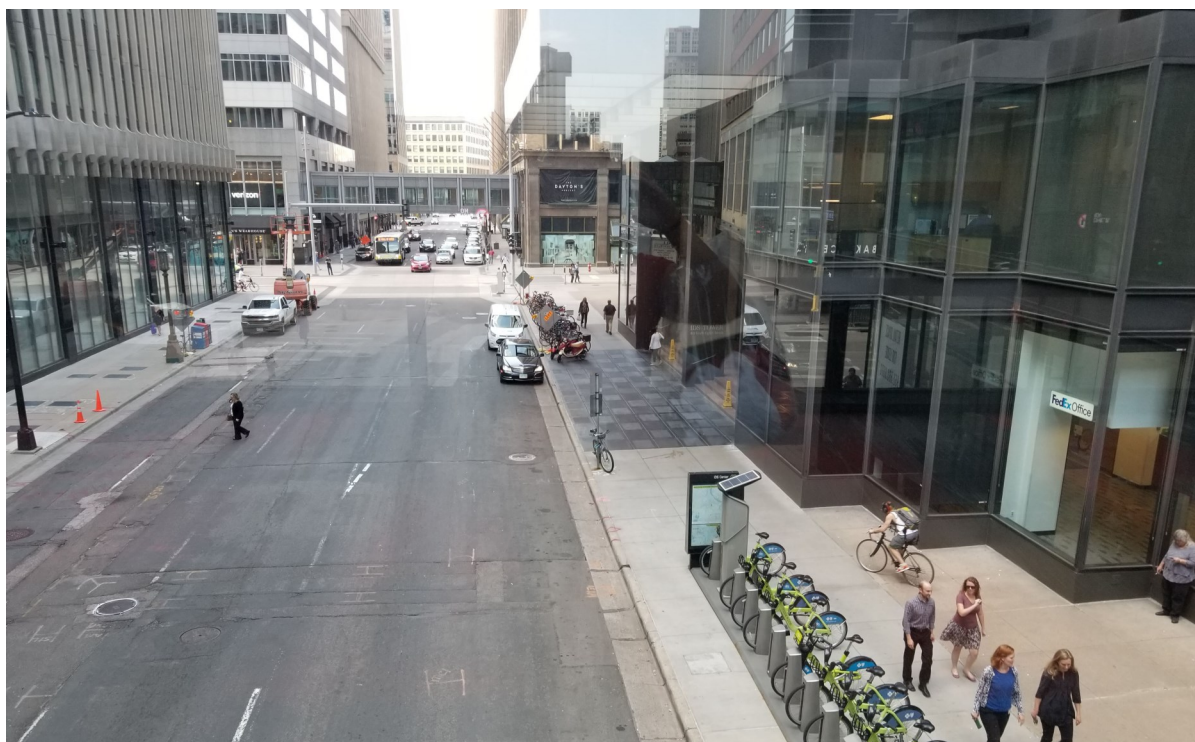
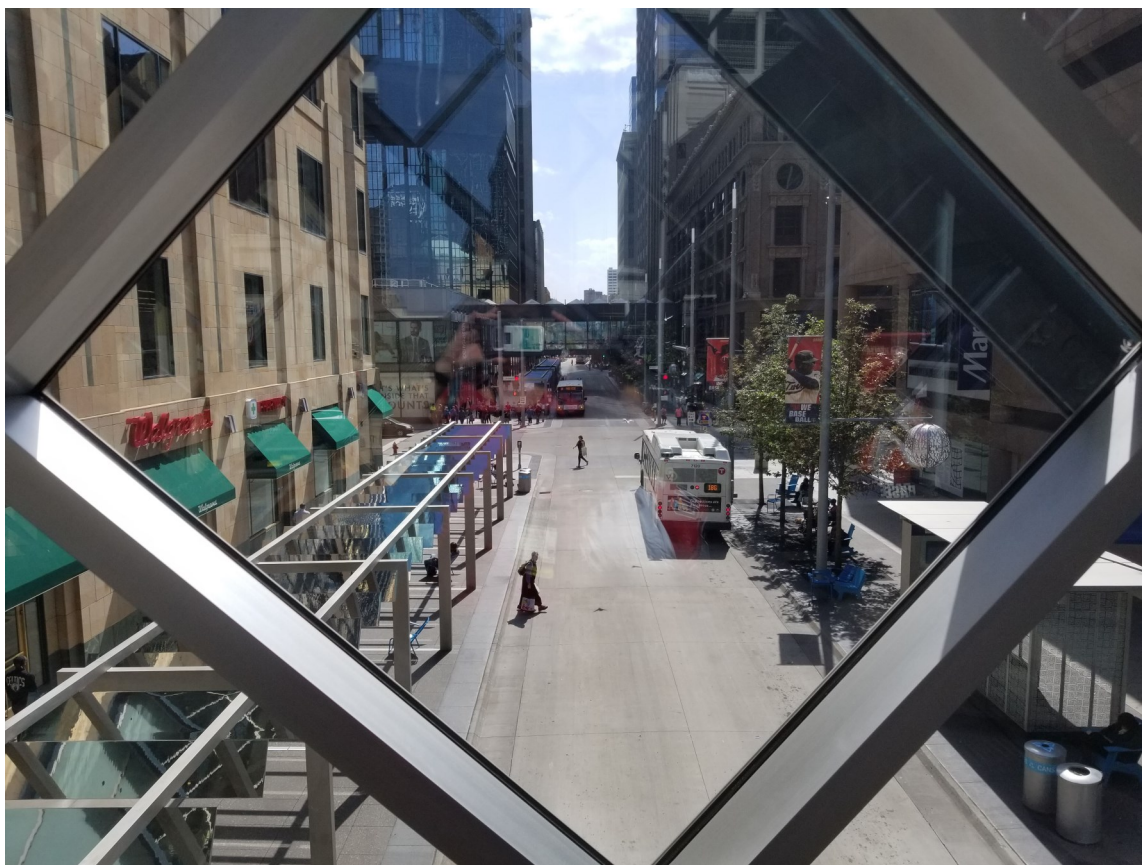
Submitted By: Alison Michel

The Joint ITE International and Midwestern/Great Lakes Districts Annual Meeting and Exhibit in August was attended in Minneapolis by Deep South Members **Hibbett Neel**, **Alison Michel**, **Daniel Helms**, **Akhil Chauhan**, and **Josh Harrouch** along with many others from the Southern District and ABD. In the days before the meeting, Daniel Helms completed his Leadership ITE classes and was recognized at the graduation ceremony in conjunction with the ITE and MWITE/GLITE Excellence in Transportation Awards. At the meeting was the election of three new Honorary Members – John J. Kennedy, Marsha Anderson Bomar and our own **W. Hibbett Neel**. This is the highest recognition of notable and outstanding professional achievement presented by ITE, and Deep South's last Honorary Member was John Exnicios who was elected in 2002.

In addition to an outstanding technical program with speakers from all over the world, the City of Minneapolis offered many opportunities to observe and participate in various modes of transportation. The host hotel was located a block over from the Nicollet Mall which had recently been re-modeled to a transit oriented/pedestrian mall that is restricted to busses (free in the downtown area), taxis, bicycles, scooters and pedestrians! The city also features an extensive skyway system that connects all the buildings downtown with pedestrian walkways that are individually owned and maintained by the building owners on each side, split directly in the middle. Walking and biking tours were available and a trip to the US Bank Stadium for a social was a special treat. As we look forward to our own joint meeting with ITE International in New Orleans and 2020, consider attending next years' meeting in Austin, TX on July 21-24, 2019.



## 2018 Annual Meeting and Exhibit



Typical views from Downtown Minneapolis Skyway





**Daniel Helms** pictured with Michael Sanderson, International President of ITE

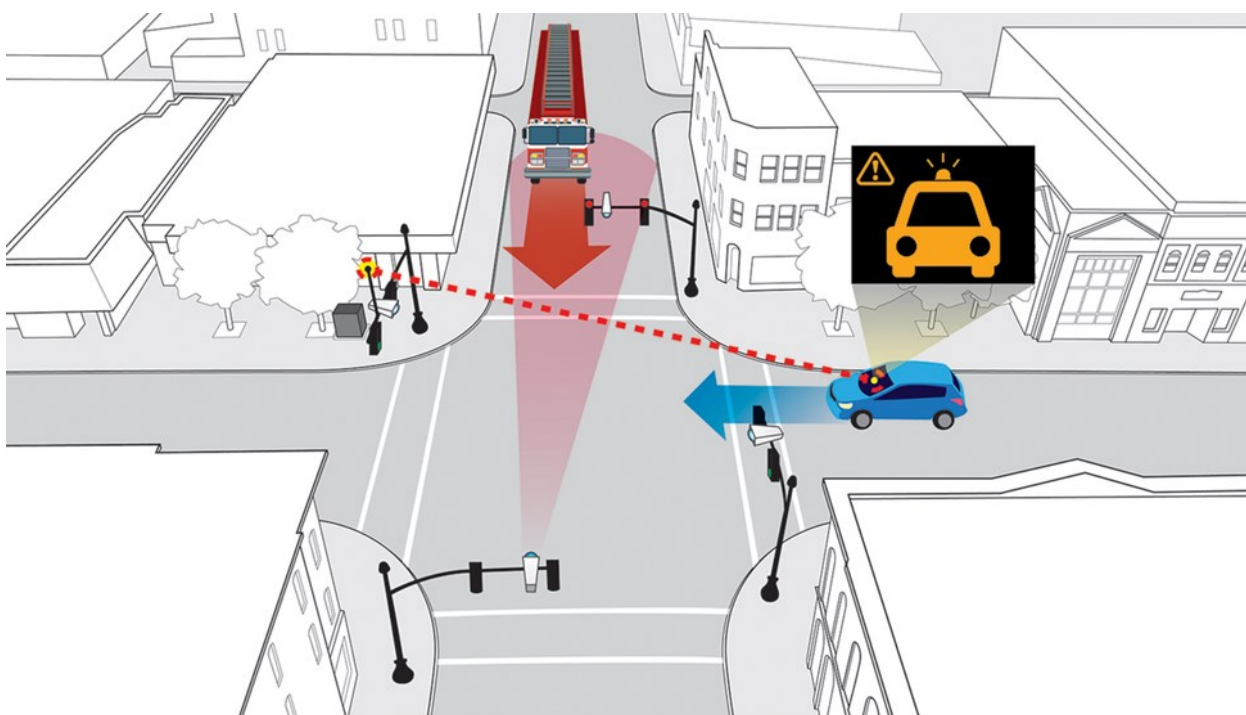


[2018 LEADERSHIPITE Class](#)

## News and Current Events

### Honda's smart intersection tells drivers what's around the corner

Honda has created and is testing a smart intersection in Marysville, OH. Wide angle cameras are mounted above the traffic lights at the intersection of Fifth and Main. These cameras monitor the intersection and notify drivers of pedestrians, emergency vehicles, and other cars that are not yet visible to entering drivers. Honda has equipped 20 Honda Pilots with specially built HUD (heads up display) technology to alert drivers of potential issues before reaching the intersection. Full Article [here](#).



### LSU engineer hopes invention will make construction faster, cheaper and safer as it heads to test phase

LSU Engineering professor Guoqiang Li is working to develop a polymer-based sealant to use in road construction and repair. While most materials expand when heated and contract when cooled, LI's material behaves in the opposite way, forming a tighter seal than silicon. Li will first focus on using the substance to seal joints where concrete pavement slabs meet, and will then look into crack repair applications. Full article [here](#).



## Student Chapter Updates

### Ole Miss

#### 2018/2019 Student Chapter Officers

President: James “Bobby” Dagget  
Vice-President: Hemant Joshi  
Secretary: Jamie Mote  
Treasurer: Jesse Pearson

On November 6, 2018 DSITE members Jonathan Kiser and Bob Mabry visited the Ole Miss student chapter in Oxford, MS. Bob, Jonathan, and Faculty Advisor Dr. Uddin are shown below with student chapter members and officers.





**CERTIFICATION**

Congratulations to all of the certified professionals in our two states. Those who have recently obtained certification may contact the newsletter editor to have their name added to the list.

**PTOE****Louisiana**

Charles Adams	Clarke Chauvin	Nick Ferlito	Jedidiah Hellmich	Prasanth Malisetty	Malcolm Sayes
Peter Allain	Guangxiang Cheng	Brin Ferlito	Daniel Helms	Kimberly McDaniel	Robert Schmidt
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David Backstedt	Jody Colvin	Jonathan Fox	Ellen Howard	Alison Michel	Bridget Skinner
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Benjamin Bartlett	Elmer Darwin	Jonathan Gambino	Lucy Kimbeng	Chris Morvant	Thomas Swanson
Sridhar Basetty	Matthew Davis	Mohan Garakhalli	Vijay Kunada	Ingolf Partenheimer	Vernon Tekell
Johnny Bordelon	Ari Deitch	Stephen Glascock	Rebecca Lala	Cynthia Pennington	Lei Wang
Benjamin Boudreaux	Jonathan Duhe	Randy Gros	Laurence Lambert	Brandon Perilloux	Tracey Wang
Christian Boutte	John Eason	Scott Gros	David LeBrenton	Lauren Picou	Brian Wolshon
Scott Boyle	Sarah Edel	P. C. Gutierrez	Joseph Lefante	April Renard	Dishili Young
Akhil Chauhan	Christopher Ewing	Diane Hammonds	Frank Liang	Karl Rothermel	Hong Zhang

**Mississippi**

Mark Bailey	Tim Bryan	Laura Hartley	Tait Karlson	Brooks Miller	Mark Sorrell
Amandeep Bindal	Brian Fulton	Karl Hector	Jonathan Kiser	Brian Smith	Matthew Warkentin

**PTP****Louisiana**

Ahmed Khalek	Akhil Chauhan	Denis Finigan	Ross Liner	Thomas Montz
Sridhar Basetty	Sean Daly	Vijay Kunada	Prasanth Malisetty	Pradeep Thummala
Nicholas Broussard	Edwin Elam	Laurence Lambert	Mohan Garakhalli	Alison Catarella Michel

**Mississippi**

Tracy Huffman      Jonathan Kiser

**Deep South ITE—2019 Officers and Board**

President:	Bert Moore	Section Representatives:
Vice President:	Prasanth Malisetty	Tom Swanson (LA)
Sec./Treasurer:	Jessica Dilley	Suzanne Dees (MS)
	Tim Bryan (2020)	
Past President:	Daniel Helms	Section Administrator: Jonathan Kiser
Affiliate Director:		Mark Melancon
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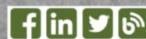
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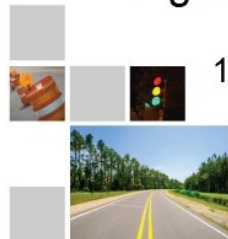
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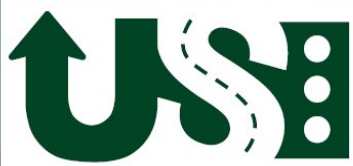
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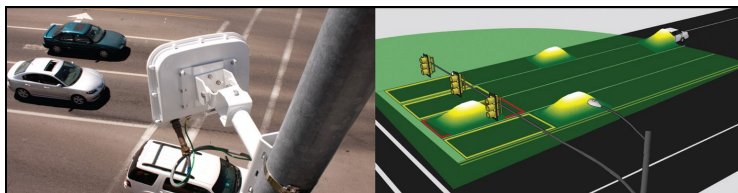


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