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President’s Message

I’m proud to have served as ITE@OSU’s President throughout this year of growth and success for our chapter. Our officer board was able to build on previous years, bringing ITE@OSU into a new age of the chapter. This year we saw an increase in underclassmen and graduate student engagement, proving the importance of our Outreach Chair in its second year. Our intern program welcomed two new students in a stronger development program, leading to both interns joining our board for next year. I am also proud to share our exciting news on our student competition front; this year we saw unprecedented winning from our ITE@OSU students. Our students won the OR ITE Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl, ITE’s Safe System Approach Competition, and are finalists in NHTSA’s Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Competition (headed to Toronto in May!) On the fundraising side, we raised the most out of all OSU student clubs during OSU’s Dam Proud Day – netting over \$4,195 for our club thanks to support from members, family, friends, and alumni.

Annual events like the Spring BBQ, Transpor-tour-tion, and “Internships and Applications” remain popular, and we’ve started new traditions like the OSU Traffic Bowl, HIKE-TE, and post career fair social. I could not be prouder of our development this year and the trajectory we’ve put our club on. This report describes the activity of our club but cannot truly communicate the strong sense of community we’ve developed. Many things about our club cannot be shown on paper: our shared Spotify playlist for meetings, how ITE meetings turn into study sessions, and the genuine friendships made through the club.

ITE@OSU is on the rise and I’m so excited for how the chapter will continue to flourish. If you have any questions about our fantastic student chapter, please do not hesitate to reach out! Go Beavs!

- Emilio Calderon, ITE@OSU President

Chapter Administration

The executive officer team for the 2025-2026 academic year was Emilio Ronaldo Calderon (President), Aiden Gray (Vice President), Erika Anderson (Treasurer), and Lilly Moo (Secretary). Alongside the executive team, ten other officers and two interns have worked to grow the chapter and host weekly events. Together, this team of 14 hosted over 50 meetings and events over the course of the past year.

The highlight of this year was the first Fall general meeting, which had a record attendance of 66 people – the most in ITE@OSU history! This achievement speaks to the increased effort that the chapter has put into hosting weekly meetings, tabling at events, and marketing the chapter through various media channels. This effort would not be possible without the dedication of the officer team and the drive to expand the chapter. Another highlight was our Fall General Meeting #2, where several officers with industry experience provided insight into their past internships and valuable advice on how to apply for them. This is our third year hosting this event, helping students learn about the transportation industry and connecting attendees with a list of over 55 transportation agencies/companies that host interns. This meeting is key in kicking off our students’ intern application process, with many citing it as helping them gain a summer internship.

Meeting #	Date	Activity	Location	Topic / Speaker	ITE Member Attendees
1	4/1/2025	Spring General Meeting #1	Corvallis, OR	Introduction to New Officer Team	26

2	4/24/2025	Spring General Meeting #2	Corvallis, OR	Transportation Beyond ITE	24
3	5/15/2025	Spring General Meeting #3	Corvallis, OR	Staying Engaged Over Summer	41
4	9/30/2025	Fall General Meeting #1	Corvallis, OR	Intro to ITE	66
5	10/30/2025	Fall General Meeting #2	Corvallis, OR	Internships and Applications	30
6	1/15/2026	Winter General Meeting #1	Corvallis, OR	Transportation Icebreakers & Socializing	29
7	2/5/2026	Winter General Meeting #2	Corvallis, OR	Graduate Research Showcase	23
8	2/26/2026	2025-26 Officer Elections	Corvallis, OR	2025-2026 Officer Elections	27

Networking Events

A primary goal of ITE@OSU is to introduce students to transportation professionals and other students. In addition to events such as field trips and conferences, ITE@OSU hosts several speaker meetings with industry professionals and transportation activists. These events allow members to better understand different aspects within the transportation sector and learn real-world applications of technical knowledge. This year we were proud of our speaker diversity, connecting students with 5 transportation professionals/companies, 3 academics, 1 local advocate, and 2 other professional development groups. A highlight of this year was the start of post-career fair sponsor socials, where members were able to personally connect with several of our sponsors after the OSU CCE career fair. ITE@OSU aims to make this an annual event to strengthen our connections with sponsors.

Activity	Date	ITE Member Attendees
Speaker Meeting - Trimet	3/6/2025	26
WTS Panel	4/1/2025	30
Speaker Meeting - Century West	5/1/2025	17
ITE Annual BBQ	5/31/2025	37
Speaker Meeting - Dr. Raul Avelar	9/24/2025	18
Post CCE Career Fair Sponsor Social	10/14/2025	23
Speaker Meeting - Kittelson & Associates	11/4/2025	22
Speaker Meeting - Cassie Minot/Mid-Valley Bike Club	11/13/2025	25
Speaker Meeting – Dr. Ed Smaglik	1/6/2026	27
Speaker Meeting - Kevin Haas/ODOT	1/20/2026	30
Speaker Meeting - APWA	1/27/2026	20
Speaker Meeting - Fehr & Peers	2/12/2026	20

Leadership Development

ITE@OSU prides itself on providing students the opportunity to attend student and professional conferences. This year, the chapter continued to sponsor students and sent a total of 65 students to conferences locally, regionally, and nationally. The chapter also encouraged students to plan and attend local events, such as attending Corvallis open houses to advocate for safer active transportation retrofits.

Activity	Date	ITE Member Attendees
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The Dammy Awards	5/27/2025	3
ITE Western District Annual Meeting	6/29/2025-7/2/2025	14
Oregon ITE Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl - 1st place	11/20/2025	18
Student Leadership Summit	1/23/2026-1/25/2026	17
Winter Workshop	2/26/2026	1

K-12 STEM Outreach

As part of WDATE’s Data Collection Fund, ITE@OSU hosted a transportation engineering day camp for high school students in the Willamette Valley. We contacted over 30 high schools to bring students from all over Oregon. In total, 25 students from across Oregon attended to hear from students, learn about research, participate in hands-on activities, and tour of local transportation facilities. Eighty percent of attendees said they had a better understanding of transportation engineering and 100% said they would recommend the camp or come again, indicating a broad success.

Activity	Date	K-12 Attendees
OSU Orange & Black Day	4/12/25	100+
National Summer Transportation Institute	8/4/2025-8/6/2025	25
Western District STEM Outreach Project	4/26/25	25

Application of Technical Knowledge / Training & Professional Development

ITE@OSU student members presented at conferences such as the Oregon ITE Winter Workshop, the ITE Western District Annual Meeting, and the TRB Annual Meeting. Additionally, ITE@OSU students formed several highly competitive competition teams. OSU teams took 1st place at the 2025 Bill Kloos Traffic Bowl, 2nd in the Western District traffic bowl, 1st in the ITE Safe System Approach video competition, and are headed to Toronto in May as finalists for NHTSA’s Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Student Competition.

One way ITE@OSU promoted professional development this year is by continuing our internship program from last year. Two students were recruited to be trained in the workings of ITE@OSU. The interns have taken an active role in the student chapter: sending emails to potential speakers, organizing event flier distribution, and helping with the development of the annual ITE@OSU newsletter for alumni and sponsors. The intern program is also beneficial to ITE officers by allowing them to exercise management and delegation skills, which are incredibly useful skills for future industry leaders to have. Both of our interns from this year are set to be full time officers for next year, bringing in valuable knowledge and proving the effectiveness of our intern development program.

Four of the general meetings this year focused on professional development. In addition to the events listed below, ITE students received professional development through speaker meetings (see Networking), field trips, conferences, and training through competitions and projects. A technical workshop was offered in collaboration with ASCE to strengthen members’ technical skills and experience. A unique opportunity this year came from a partnership with DKS, where six students were invited to assist in local Road Safety Audits. This included active participation in field observations and summarizing findings.

Activity	Date	ITE Member Attendees
ITE/ASCE C3D Workshop	4/29/2025	30
DKS Road Safety Audits	4/15/2025-4/29/2025	6
Walkshop: Transpor-Tour-Tion	10/9/2025	19
ITE@OSU Traffic Bowl	10/23/2025	30
ITE Safe System Approach Student Competition	8/29/2025-12/15/2025	2

TRB Annual Meeting - Poster and Lectern Presentation	1/11/2026-1/15/2026	6
Western District ITE Traffic Bowl - 2nd Place	1/25/2026	15
Speaker Meeting - Dr. Pflugfelder/Technical Writing in Transportation	2/19/2026	16
Oregon ITE Winter Workshop	2/28/2026	1
Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Student Competition	2/1/2025-5/15/2026	4

New Member Recruitment

This year, our officer team remained dedicated to growing the attendance numbers at events. This was done by investing heavily in tabling events aimed at underclassmen and ensuring an active social media presence. The success of these recruitment efforts can be seen in the increase in general meeting attendance. Average attendance increased from 26 students to 33 students at our general meetings from 2024-2025 to 2025-2026 periods, with a record breaking 66 students at our Fall General Meeting #1.

Activity	Date	Event Attendees
ITE Dorm Outreach	4/25/2025	50+
Cookies and Clubs	9/22/2025	100+
CCE Welcome Event	9/24/2025	50+
Beaver Community Fair	9/26/2025	100+
Cocoa and Clubs	1/9/2026	100+

Diversity and Inclusion

ITE@OSU’s successful recruitment efforts resulted in a larger and more diverse membership body. The range of activities held was also diversified to appeal to students’ varying interests. This year, ITE@OSU held its first joint event with the Women in Transportation Seminar (WTS) Portland Chapter. The event centered on the experiences of women in the transportation sector and the importance of mentorship for young professionals. It was a very successful event, and ITE@OSU looks forward to collaborating with the local WTS chapter at future events. In addition to WTS, ITE@OSU also held joint events with other civil engineering chapters, such as ASCE and AEI to promote cross-disciplinary exposure and strengthen student relationships.

Our success in outreach and diversity is seen in demographic changes in our officer board for the upcoming year; our board will comprise of four graduate students and four underclassmen as officers, double what we had in both categories compared to this year. Our connection with graduate students is a key relationship, which was a motivator for this year’s second Winter General Meeting on graduate student research. This meeting saw the highest level of grad student attendance (as presenters and members) and was broadly found a success

While our chapter continues to grow, we find it important to maintain a strong sense of community and develop individual relationships with new members. We intentionally limit the attendance to our termly discussion group events to target new members and get to know them in a smaller group setting. Feedback from attendees indicates that this effort is successful in fostering these new relationships.

Activity	Date	ITE Member Attendees
Winter Social	3/12/2025	32
Spring Discussion Group	4/17/2025	9
Fall Discussion Group	10/16/2025	12
Winter Discussion Group	2/2/2026	9

Field Trips

Alumni from the Portland Bureau of Transportation (PBOT) are strong partners of ITE@OSU, hosting two field trips for the chapter this year. The first was a biking tour in the spring, a new event we are intending to hold annually. Additionally, before OR ITE’s Traffic Bowl, PBOT Engineers lead students on a local bus tour of Portland alongside students from Gonzaga University. Our partnership with PBOT allows students to learn about transportation in cities, in contrast to our local infrastructure in Corvallis. However, we still take advantage of local transportation facilities in our “Walkshop” dubbed Transpor-tour-tion, where our President (Emilio) leads students around campus to learn about transportation facilities.

Activity	Date	ITE Member Attendees
PBOT Portland Bike Tour	4/19/2025	16
HIKE-TE	5/3/2025	15
Pre-Traffic Bowl Field Trip	11/20/2025	20
Oregon ITE Post Traffic Bowl Tour	11/21/2025	50+

Service Projects

Thanks to the relationships fostered by previous officers, ITE@OSU had many opportunities to volunteer and serve the communities of OSU and Corvallis. The Be Bright, Be Seen pedestrian and bike light giveaway has continued in partnership with OSU’s Transportation Services department. Hundreds of lights were distributed to students and community members. ITE@OSU also continued its regular highway cleanup events on a portion of OR-34 near Corvallis in partnership with the local ASCE student chapter.

Activity	Date	Event Attendees
Spring Adopt-a-Highway	5/24/2025	10
Fall Adopt-A-Highway #1	10/11/2025	24
Be Bright Be Seen Giveaway	11/19/2025	6
Fall Adopt-A-Highway #2	11/22/2025	18

Year in Recap

Throughout this year, the student chapter hosted 29 meetings, 6 recruitment events, 5 service projects, attended and 5 tours, participated in 5 competitions, and presented at 4 conferences. Within the past year we’ve offered numerous opportunities to engage with ITE and industry to help prepare students for future careers in transportation. We are continuing to pursue these opportunities; in the coming months were also scheduled to co-host a conference with Oregon ITE at OSU and are partnering with the City of Corvallis for a TMC study. Our club is ambitious and has our sights

ITE@OSU has also excelled in our competitiveness this year. Our ITE students were awarded many honors: officers Charlie Tuckfield and Max Krause won ITE’s Safe System Approach Student Competition, ITE@OSU out fundraised (\$4,195) all other OSU student clubs, MS Student Erika Anderson won Oregon ITE’s graduate scholarship and Emilio Calderon won the undergraduate scholarship, three students are also headed to Toronto in May as finalists for NHTSA’s Enhanced Safety of Vehicles Student Competition. Additionally, as a Chapter, ITE@OSU was awarded the OR ITE Student Chapter Grant.

The ITE@OSU Student Chapter had an extraordinarily successful year, seeing an increase in membership, participation/attendance, and competitiveness. The chapter is in a strong position to develop further growth and create more opportunities for members.



A YEAR IN REVIEW 2025-2026

ITE@OSU Student Chapter Photos

2026 SLS Traffic Bowl



1st OSU Traffic Bowl



Bill Kloos OR ITE Traffic Bowl



Western District Meeting in Long Beach, CA



OSU Fall Recruitment



Largest General Meeting in ITE@OSU History



Portland BikeTown Tour



Bike Activism Speaker Meeting



ITE Annual Alumni BBQ

