GENERAL INFO FOR GRAD STUDENTS  
University of Connecticut  
Civil Engineering Field of Study  
Transportation and Urban Engineering Area of Concentration  
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A wide range of engineering disciplines deal with transportation; some examples include bridge condition monitoring, pavement and road foundation design, traffic signal optimization, travel demand forecasting, and highway safety prediction. In the Civil Engineering Field of Study at UConn, educational and research activities in the Transportation and Urban Engineering (TUE) area of concentration focus on the planning, design and operation of transportation systems. The faculty advisors in this program and their web addresses are:

- Dr. Norman Garrick [www.engr.uconn.edu/~garrick](http://www.engr.uconn.edu/~garrick)
- Dr. John Ivan [www.engr.uconn.edu/~johnivan](http://www.engr.uconn.edu/~johnivan)
- Dr. Nicholas Lownes [www.engr.uconn.edu/~nlownes](http://www.engr.uconn.edu/~nlownes)
- Dr. Adam Zofka [www.engr.uconn.edu/~azofka](http://www.engr.uconn.edu/~azofka)

The center of student research activities in TUE is the Graduate Transportation Computing Laboratory in Room 205 of the F. L. Castleman building. The faculty and students also interact frequently with staff members of the Connecticut Transportation Institute (CTI), housed on the Depot Campus of the University in the Longley Building (see map on the back). CTI is a focal point for continuing education, public service and research activities on campus in the area of transportation, including many activities outside the scope of TUE. Following are CTI staff members who interact most closely with TUE students (along with their office locations and functions with respect to graduate students):

- James Mahoney, CTI Executive Program Director and Manager of the CAP Lab  
  ([james.mahoney@uconn.edu](mailto:james.mahoney@uconn.edu), x6-9299)
- Lori Judd, Financial Assistant (student payroll, purchasing of supplies, travel reimbursement and other financial issues, [ljudd@engr.uconn.edu](mailto:ljudd@engr.uconn.edu), x6-4099)
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- Stephanie Merrall, Program Coordinator (coordinates CTI library, [Merrall@engr.uconn.edu](mailto:Merrall@engr.uconn.edu), x6-6446)
- Chandra Lownes, Program Aide (receptionist and general information, [clownes@engr.uconn.edu](mailto:clownes@engr.uconn.edu), x6-5400)

Near the beginning of each new academic year CTI holds a reception welcoming incoming graduate students at the Longley Building. You will get a chance to meet these individuals then, along with the rest of the CTI staff, and learn more about what they have to offer you and what they will need from you in order to serve you better.

All of the faculty advisors in TUE value and endeavor to maintain a collegial, warm working atmosphere for our team of undergraduates, graduates, faculty and staff. Please bring any problems with working conditions or atmosphere immediately to the attention of your major advisor so we can work towards a team consensus to achieve our goals.

Along with this document you will receive three other important documents:
1. GRAD OFFICE AND COMPUTER LAB RULES
2. TUE CURRICULUM GUIDE
3. GRADUATE ASSISTANT GUIDEBOOK

Please read these documents and discuss them with your major advisor to avoid difficult situations from arising later on due to misunderstandings about what is expected of you and what you can expect from your fellow students and from the faculty and staff. It is our experience that many of the problems students encounter arise because they did not follow the procedures and recommendations contained in these documents.