

## **Northwestern University Transportation Center**

# Our Transportation Center: Reaching Out, Making an Impact

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## Strategic Vision: A Refresher

- Pre-eminent think-tank and laboratory in the world for cutting-edge research that matters on a global scale.
- Provide the premier educational program in transportation systems.
- Essential academic partner for *novel*, *high-impact* collaborative research.
- Advance state of practice industry applications through a mix of engaged application-driven research and fundamental advances.



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# Progress Highlights: 2011-2012 (I)

## **BAC Membership**

■ **15** new companies, **15** new members

## Funded Research Activity

Active: 22 projects \$3.11 M, 14 faculty

■ Submitted: **19** proposals **\$5.71 M**, **10** faculty

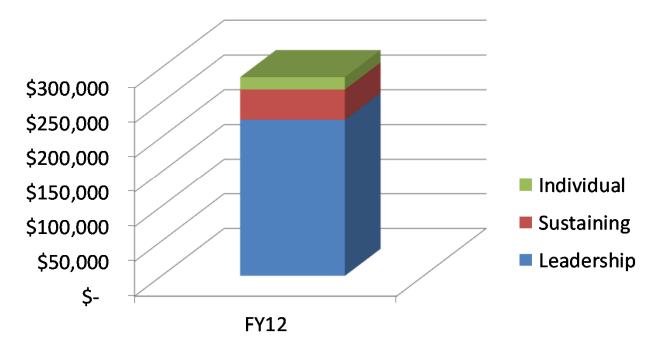
## **Graduate Students**

- 27 supported via research projects
- 3 supported via dissertation year fellowships
- \$522k in support (travel, tuition, stipend, fellows)



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## BAC Contributions: FY12



	GOAL	BY APRIL	ACTUAL
FY 11	\$350,000	\$257,000	\$440,000
FY 12	\$400,000	\$286,000	?



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## Faculty: Selected Awards (I)



## **David Dunand**

2012 Class of Fellows by The Minerals, Metals & Materials Society

## Hani Mahmassani

First Greenshields Award for Best Paper in Traffic Flow Theory and Characteristics, Transportation Research Board of the National Academies (with Jiwon Kim)

## **Mark Ratner**

2012 Willard Gibbs Medalist by the American Chemical Society



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# Faculty: Selected Awards (II)



## **Roberto Sarmiento**

Fellow of the Special Libraries Association

## **Joseph Schofer**

- Transportation Research Board's 2011 Roy W. Crum Distinguished Service Award
- National Associate by the National Research Council of the National Academies

## **Karen Smilowitz**

McCormick Advisor of the Year



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## Students: Our Core Mission (I)

- TC adds value to student experience through industry exposure, seminars by authorities in the field, travel funds for conferences, fellowship stipends— essential differentiator for recruiting top talent
- Many opportunities for undergraduates interested in transportation; increasing engagement in research, internship placement with BAC companies
- Industry support is critical to our mission and to making a Northwestern Education in Transportation the unique experience it is.



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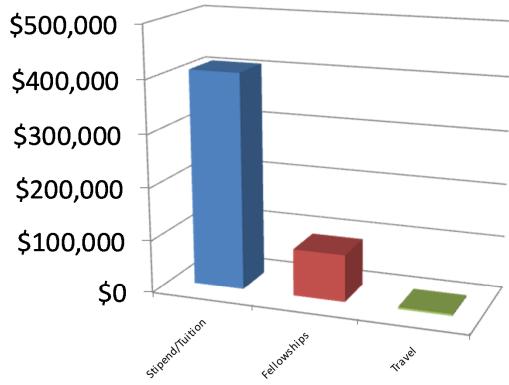
Students: Our Core Mission (II)

- 10 New graduate students in 2011-12
- 3 Dissertation Year Fellows (2011-12)
- 3 Transportation & Logistics graduating seniors



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# Students: 2011 – 2012 Direct Student Funding Through NUTC





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## Students: Dissertation Year Fellows

## Laurence Audenaerd (Civil & Env. Eng.)

Bringing Short-Haul Air Down to Earth: Exploring the Trade-Space of Mode Substitution for Regional Air Passenger Transport Markets

## Guy Arie (Kellogg)

Multi-Market Contacts in the Airline Industry: Theory and Evidence

**Yang Liu** (Civil & Environmental Engineering)

Welfare Effects of Congestion Pricing on Travelers with

Different Value of Time: Strategies to Enable Transportation



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## Students: External Awards

- Yikai Chen, Civil Engineering PhD candidate
  - International Road Foundation Road Scholar
- Jiwon Kim, Civil Engineering PhD candidate
  - First Greenshields Award for Best Paper in Traffic Flow Theory and Characteristics, Transportation Research Board of the National Academies (with Hani Mahmassani)
- Madison Fitzpatrick, Civil Engineering PhD candidate
  - The Eno Leadership Development Scholarship
  - Eisenhower Fellowship
- Luis de la Torre, Civil Engineering PhD candidate
  - CCITT Student of the Year Award



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## Outreach Activities (I)

## **Events & Public Policy**

- Fifth Annual William O. Lipinski Symposium on Transportation Policy High Speed Rail: Perspectives and Prospects (2011)
- Hosting 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Evacuation Modeling & Management (ICEM' 12) – August 2012
- Workshop: The Electrification of Transportation: A Look at the Road Ahead (Co-sponsor: Initiative for Sustainability & Energy at Northwestern (ISEN))
- Hosted White House Round Table featuring The Honorable David L. Strickland, Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)
  - "Safety Without Borders: Raising the Bar on Traffic Safety Across the Globe Through Data, Research, and Collaboration"
- Transportation Deregulation and Safety: A Retrospective and Reflection after 25 Years (May 3, 2012)



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# Outreach Activities (II)

## Research Activities - Public Sector



## Chicago Transit Authority

- Area of network design and service planning, focusing on the development and application of advanced analytics in connection with extensive system data to improve operations and the <u>user experience</u>. (CTA funded)
- Software application for optimizing urban transit and transportation systems (CCITT funded)

## Research Activities - Industry



## Echo Global Logistics

 Use of archived transactional data in conjunction with real time predictive analytics for truckload pricing and carrier load matching (first phase completed)

## Boeing Corporation



 investigate transportation and logistics sector applications for high accuracy, high integrity, and high availability satellite positioning and navigation technologies.

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# Outreach Activities (III) Executive Education



Freight Transportation and Logistics: Delivering Results in a Volatile Environment May 14-16, 2012



Pricing Highway Infrastructure *May 21-23, 2012* 



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# Outreach Activities (IV)

## International Outreach

- Ongoing
  - New National Transportation Center for Ministry of Transport, KSA
  - Crowd dynamics and mobility studies, Umm-Al-Qura University, Saudi Arabia
  - Eco-routing, collaboration with TNO, NL on European Commission project
- In Development
  - Rajawali Corporation Jakarta, Indonesia
    - Investigation of new 300 mile freight transportation rail line in Sumatra: infrastructure, economics, development, policy





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# Outreach Activities (V) <a href="International Visiting Scholars">International Visiting Scholars in Residence</a>

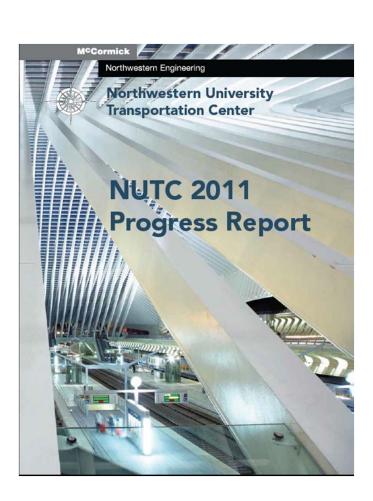
- Prof. Seungjae Lee University of Seoul, Korea
- Dr. Shinhae Lee Seoul Development Institute, Korea
- Prof. Ibtesam Abu-Sleiman
   Umm-Al-Qura University, Makkah, KSA
- Andreas Frei, Pre-doctoral Fellow, ETH-Zurich, Switzerland
- Yinyi Ma, Visiting PhD Scholar, Erasmus University, NL
- Fiorella Mete, Visiting MS Scholar, University of Torino, Italy



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## Closing Thoughts

 Challenging yet exciting times in the transportation sector—industry, public sector

## AT NORTHWESTERN

- Uniquely successful industry-engaged approach to transportation research and education
- What we do at the NUTC matters
  - BAC engagement and support critical to what we do, and how well we do it





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# Thank you!



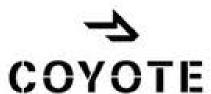
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# BAC: New Leadership Companies

**Booz Allen Hamilton** 

Booz | Allen | Hamilton

Coyote Logistics





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# **BAC: New Sustaining Companies**

Korn / Ferry International



Patriot Rail Corp.



Scudder Law Firm



TTX Company



Watco Companies, LLC





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## BAC: Target Sectors for New Members

- Shippers with significant logistics operations
- ➤ International Carriers
- > Trucking / Logistics companies
- ➤ Transportation Equipment / Systems Manufacturers
- > Technology Providers



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# BAC: New Leadership Members Here Today



Fred Messina

Vice President

Booz | Allen | Hamilton

Jeff Silver *ceo* 



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# BAC: New Sustaining Members Here Today

Marc Scudder *Vice President* 







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# BAC: Members with New Companies Here Today



Neil Collins
Senior Client Partner, Global
Section Leader





Adam Inselbuch EVP & Chief Financial Officer





David Rohal *Vice President* 

