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TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE RESEARCH EXPERTISE

OVERVIEW

Advancing safety
- Connected and autonomous systems
- Highway safety and crash modeling
- Intelligent transportation systems
- Bridge stability and testing
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety

Identifying and testing advanced materials
- Quality testing of high-strength, high-performance and ultra-high-performance composites
- Greener, more resilient concrete
Highway Safety and Crash Modeling
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- Traffic operations and evaluation
- Intelligent transportation systems
- Sustainable transportation planning
- Statistical methods and applications in transportation
- GIS and GPS applications and spatial data analysis

Risk Prevention
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- Crash mapping
- Bridge and tunnel strike prevention
- Motor vehicles risk mitigation
- Geographic Information Systems

Autonomous Vehicle Technology
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- Connected and Automated Vehicles (CAVs)
- Vehicle-to-everything (V2X) Communications Technologies
- Cooperative Driving Automation (CDA) Systems

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