

TPUG Transportation & Public Utilities Group

Newsletter – September 2022

- TPUG 2022 Dissertation Award
- Attend in-person TPUG Sessions at ASSA 2023 in New Orleans
- Attend the TPUG Business Meeting and Social in New Orleans
- Propose a paper for TPUG Sessions at 2023 WEAI in Australia
- TPUG Officers for 2023
- It is time to renew your membership, or to join TPUG

Dissertation Award

Are you submitting your PhD thesis in calendar year 2022, or supervising a thesis on transportation or public utilities? TPUG sponsors an annual PhD dissertation award. There is a cash prize, and the winner will be honored at our annual reception at the ASSA conference in New Orleans. Graduates or their advisors should submit (a) their vita, (b) their full thesis and (c) a job market paper (optional) as e-mail attachments to Ian Savage at ipsavage@northwestern.edu by **September 30**.

TPUG Sessions at ASSA 2023 in New Orleans



TPUG is sponsoring two utilities and two transportation sessions at an in-person ASSA in New Orleans on January 6-8, 2023. Look at the exciting line up of speakers and discussants:

https://sites.macalester.edu/tpug/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/ASSA_2023_TPUG_Session_Listing.pdf

Registration for the conference is now open. Read the ASSA vaccination and other policies at: <https://www.aeaweb.org/conference/>

TPUG Social Event at ASSA 2023 in New Orleans



After a long three years, get to meet your fellow members in real life! The annual TPUG business meeting and social event will be on Friday, January 6, 2023, from 6:00pm-7:30pm (CST), at the New Orleans Marriott (room to be announced). We will honor the dissertation award winner, celebrate the 2022 distinguished member, and most importantly socialize with each other. Mark your calendars. It has been a long time.

TPUG at WEAI 2023



WEAI has two meetings in 2023. In April in Melbourne, Australia and in July in San Diego. TPUG will be represented at both.

<https://weai.org/conferences/>

Paper and session proposals for Melbourne will be open in the next few days, with a deadline of November 21. The TPUG point persons are Akshaya Jha akshayaj@andrew.cmu.edu and Gordon Leslie gordon.leslie@monash.edu. Details and links to the submission form will be posted in a few days at:

<https://sites.macalester.edu/tpug/weai-meetings-call-for-papers/>

There will be both virtual and in-person options.

TPUG Officers 2023

A nominating committee of Ian Savage, Wesley Wilson and Anming Zhang is working on a slate of officers for 2023. Under our new bylaws, members can vote either in-person at the business meeting and social at the ASSA conference or electronically beforehand. Members will receive voting information in early December.

Renew / Join TPUG

Our membership year runs August 1 to July 31. Existing annual members should check their e-mail in the coming days for renewal information.

Not a member? Consider joining us. TPUG is an international forum for researchers and practitioners interested in the economics of and public policies towards the transportation and public utilities industries. Founded in 1946, it is one of the oldest constituents of the Allied Social Sciences Association.

Join to get access to presenting your work and networking at the WEAI and ASSA meetings. Have your student's work recognized with our dissertation awards. Join with a couple of clicks. Go to:

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