

# Umair Durrani

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## Summary

- Highly skilled Transportation Data Scientist and Engineering Professional with over 7 years of experience in developing traffic simulation and driver models leading to 10 publications and presentations
- Strong communication and leadership skills with the ability to translate complex transportation data to innovative solutions as demonstrated by > 10 taught courses and 1 award
- Excellent skills in collaboration and project management to motivate team members to set well-defined goals and accomplish them within deadlines as evidenced by > 5 completed projects

## Work Experience

### Transportation Data Scientist as Research Assistant

2013 – Present

University of Windsor

- Developed workflows for data extraction, analysis, mapping and reporting in R and Python, resulting in completion of 4 collaborative research projects with various stakeholders including Ministry of Transportation, Ontario
- Designed and conducted 5 unique driving studies to collect data in various scenarios to understand human behaviour in traffic
- Analyzed and visualized data, tackled challenging questions, performed statistical modeling, and machine learning to push the state of the art in traffic modeling, resulting in 3 peer-reviewed articles and > 5 conference presentations

### Projects:

*Investigating Mental Workload in Manual Driving Conditions, Government of South Korea*

- Developed a driving simulator study to collect data on driver mental workload under distraction
- Mitigating Distracted Driving based on Understanding of Drivers' Personality, Motivational, and Mobile Phone Dependency Characteristics. Road Safety Research Partnership Program (RSRPP), Ministry of Transportation of Ontario*
- Developed and deployed a dashboard application that worked with real-time driving simulator data to evaluate driver distraction due to music and navigation tasks

*Safety Impacts of a Variable Speed Limit System. Highway Infrastructure Innovation Funding Program (HIIFP), Ministry of Transportation of Ontario*

- Assisted in the development of a new criterion to propose various sites for the deployment of the Variable Speed Limit System in Ontario
- Developed an interactive map application for the visualization of precipitation and proposed sites for the Variable Speed Limit System in Ontario

## **Traffic Simulation Modeler as Research Assistant**

2015 – Present

University of Windsor

- Developed simulations with intelligent participants in traffic using R programming and PTV VISSIM, capturing real-world human behaviour, resulting in 4 peer-reviewed articles and > 5 conference presentations
- Optimized the speed of traffic simulation by developing C++ programs, gaining > 70% efficiency

### **Projects:**

*A New Car-Following Model with Incorporation of Sensorimotor Control in Sustained Motion Tasks*

- Developed a new model that realistically simulated the driving behaviour in traffic

## **Project Manager as Instructor**

Jun. 2019 – Present

St. Clair College

- Lead student teams to complete machine learning and data analysis capstone projects, resulting in > 10 successfully completed projects

## **Education**

### **Ph.D. Civil Engineering**

University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada

### **B.Sc. Transportation Engineering**

University of Engineering and Technology Lahore, Pakistan

## **Software and Skills**

R

Python

C++

PTV VISSIM

GIS

Traffic Simulation

Data Analysis

Machine Learning