

Curriculum Vitae

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Program Sought

Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Transportation Systems)

Areas of Interests

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS), Data Analytics in Transportation, Network Modeling.

Educational Background

2017 – Present	Master of Science , Michigan State University. Major in Civil Engineering with Graduate Certificate in Computational Modeling. Current GPA: 4.0 out of 4.0. Graduation expected: May 2019.
2013 – 2017	Bachelor of Technology (B.S. equivalent), Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Roorkee, India. Major in Civil Engineering. GPA: 8.636 out of 10.
2011 – 2013	High School (12 th Grade), Silver Bells High School, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, India. Score: 91.4%, with 100% in Mathematics.
2009 – 2011	Secondary School (10 th Grade), Gwalior Glory High School, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh, India. GPA: 10.0 out of 10.0.

Work Experience

Aug 2017 – ongoing	Graduate Research Assistant , Michigan State University. Advisor: Dr. Timothy Gates . Worked/working in these projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effect of speed limit change on operating speeds in Michigan. NCHRP project 17-76: Guidance for the setting of speed limits. Safe Routes to School (SR2S) FY 2017.
May – Jun 2016	Research Intern , Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, India. Supervisor: Dr. Ashish Verma . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked on the sub-project "<i>Spatial Analysis of Pedestrian Crowds</i>" of the main project "<i>The Kumbh Mela Experiment: Measuring and Understanding the Dynamics of Mankind's Largest Crowd</i>", Ujjain, India. Studied pedestrian traffic flow theory and the social force method to study the basic forms of interaction among pedestrian groups. Developed geometric formations of pedestrian groups under different conditions of traffic density and analyzed group recovery using MATLAB.
Dec 2015	Web Developer , Flicksup , Bengaluru, India. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Designed and developed website user interface of a startup service using jQuery. Flicksup selected for FbStart program after website launch.

■ Publications and Conference Papers

1. Verma, R., Saedi, R., Zockaie, A., Gates, T.J., "Behavioral Analysis of Drivers Following Winter Maintenance Trucks Enabled with a Collision Avoidance System".
 - Under review for publication: [Transportation Research Record](#).
 - Accepted for presentation: [Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting 2019](#).
2. Saedi, R., Verma, R., Zockaie, A., Ghamami, M., Gates, T.J., "Network-wide Emission Estimation by Incorporating Network Fundamental Diagram".
 - Abstract published: [Journal of Transport & Health](#) 9:S54-S55. DOI: [10.1016/j.jth.2018.05.041](#).
 - Poster presentation: [International Conference on Transport and Health 2018](#), MI.
 - Submitted (9/1/2018): [Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies](#).
3. Paul, M., Verma, R., Ghosh, I., "An Efficient Calibration of Microsimulation Model for Signalized Intersections under Heterogeneous and Undisciplined Traffic".
 - Accepted for presentation: Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting 2019.
 - Submitted: [World Conference on Transportation Research](#) (WCTR 2019), Mumbai, India.

■ Relevant Projects

Graduate Level

Aug 2018 – ongoing	Effect of Speed Limit Change in Michigan on Operational Speeds. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Analysis of speed data before and after the speed limit increase in Michigan in 2017 from permanent traffic recorders, lidar gun survey, and video speed review. ▪ Concluded that increase of speed limit by 5 mph increased operational speed by about 2 mph on non-freeway highways; awaiting more data.
Jan – Apr 2018	Performance Analysis of FlexRoute23. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Simulated a managed lane traffic corridor on US-23 in Michigan in PTV Vissim. ▪ Preliminary performance analysis showed the effectiveness of hard shoulder running in reducing peak hour congestion is meager in the short-term.

Undergraduate Level

Jul 2016 – Apr 2017	B.S. Senior Year Project. Design of sustainable urban drainage and rainwater harvesting systems for IIT Roorkee campus.
Feb – Apr 2016	B.S. Junior Year Project. Origin-destination based traffic congestion modeling on a bus route in Delhi.
May – Jun 2015	The effect of green signal countdown timer on dilemma zone of signalized intersections, with Dr. Indrajit Ghosh .
Jan – Apr 2016	Preparation of a thematic map of IIT Roorkee using GIS.
Jan – Apr 2015	Optimized cross-sectional design of flexural member for cost minimization.

Independent Projects

November 2018	Kakuro Solver in Python using System of Simultaneous Equations (GitHub).
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■ Relevant Course Work

Graduate Level

- CE841 Traffic Flow Theory
- CE849 Statistics in Transportation
- CMSE801 Introduction to Computational Modeling

- CE850 Intelligent Transportation Systems
- CE851 Transportation and Environment
- ECE801-602 Data Science: Concepts, Techniques, and Practice

Undergraduate Level

- Numerical Methods and Programming
- Linear Algebra, Statistics and Probability
- CE448 Transportation Planning
- Traffic Road Safety
- Railway Engineering and Airport Planning
- Highway Pavement Engineering
- Highway Geometric Design
- Theory and Applications of GIS

Coursera

- Introduction to Graph Theory, *University of California San Diego*.
- Bayesian Statistics, *University of California Santa Cruz*.

Participation and Achievements

2018	Best Poster in Civil Engineering (Transportation/Pavements), 2018 Engineering Graduate Research Symposium , Michigan State University.
2018	Part of winning team, ITE Trivia Quiz on traffic safety and management, Institute of Traffic Engineers Greater Lansing Chapter, MI.
2017	Participated in Microsoft Hackathon 2017, IIT Roorkee, India. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Developed in one day a web scraper that collects country-level tabular statistics from Wikipedia pages and converts them to interactive choropleth maps.
2014 – 2016	Merit-cum-means Scholarship , IIT Roorkee, India. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Received INR 100,000 (≈\$1500) in scholarship for two consecutive years based on excellent academic performance and financial need.
2013	Joint Entrance Examination , India. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Scored 98.84 percentile in Paper I (Mains) out of about 1.4 million candidates. ▪ Secured national rank 2533 from a total of about 150,000 students in Paper II (JEE Advanced), one of the most competitive college entrance exams in the world.
2009	National rank 23, Indian National Cartographic Association (INCA) Map Quiz .

Skills

Programming and Web Development	Python	●●●●●	HTML	●●●●○
	R	●●●●○	CSS	●●●●○
	MATLAB	●●●●○	JavaScript	●●●●○
	SQL	●●●●○	jQuery	●●●●○
	C++	●●○○○	VBA	●○○○○
Software Packages	Tableau	●●●●○	PTV Vissim	●●●○○
	QGIS	●●●●○	Adobe Photoshop	●●●●○
	IBM SPSS	●●○○○	Adobe Illustrator	●●●●●
	MS Excel	●●●●○	Autodesk AutoCAD	●●●○○
Languages	English	●●●●○		
	Hindi (native)	●●●●○		
	Italian	●○○○○		

▪ Extra-Curricular Activities

Groups and Communities

2018 – now	Member, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).
2018 – now	Member, Graduate Employees Union (GEU), Michigan State University.
2017 – now	Member, Institute of Traffic Engineers (ITE). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participated in ITE Student Leadership Summit 2017, Purdue University.
2016	Recruitment Representative , Department of Civil Engineering, IIT Roorkee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated management of senior-year job recruitment.
2015 – 2016	Creativity and Design Coordinator , Information Management Group (IMG), IIT Roorkee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IMG organizes the official website and intranet web-app portal of IIT Roorkee. Conducted lectures on innovations in web design and organizational structures.
2013 – 2016	Joint Secretary , Design section, Kshitij – The Literary Magazine, IIT Roorkee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervised the graphic design of the magazine in coordination with different team sections, besides conducting design-oriented events.

Community Service

2013	Member, National Service Scheme , IIT Roorkee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participated in cleanliness and electricity conservation drives, food waste prevention program, and promotion of handcrafted recycled paper bags. Helped conduct blood donation drives; regular donor since 2015.
2013	Volunteer, CRY Roorkee Chapter , IIT Roorkee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child Rights and You (CRY) is a philanthropic organization that focuses on individual level mentoring of unprivileged children in India.

▪ References

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