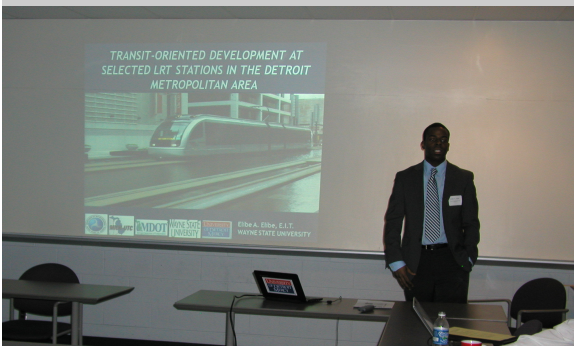




2009 Outstanding Student of the Year



Elibe Elibe receives a US DOT Award. Bestowing the award are (right) Peter Appel, Administrator of RITA, US DOT (left) Robert H. Plymale, President of the Council of University Transportation Centers.



Elibe Elibe presents a MIOH UTC project at an event updating Senator Stabenow's staff held at the University of Detroit Mercy in Spring 2010.



Elibe Ama Eliba, receives the MIOH UTC award at a meeting of the Institute of Transportation Engineers, Michigan Section. Left to right: Shehamay Khasnabis, WSU; Elibe A. Elibe; Kirk Steudle, Director, Michigan Department of Transportation; Colleen Hill, ITE President; and Utpal Dutta, UDM.

The Michigan Ohio University Transportation Center (MIOH UTC) Outstanding Student of the Year Award is presented each year to one student who has made a significant contribution to a MIOH UTC funded project, performed well academically, demonstrated professionalism and leadership as well as participated in university and community service activities.

Evidence of “significant contribution” is based upon faculty nomination and evaluation of submitted written reports. Academic performance is based upon courses attempted and grades attained. Professionalism, leadership and service is evidenced in the form of presentations at professional society meetings and symposia, and leadership in student professional activities including K-12 outreach.

Elibe Ama Elibe



Elibe Ama Elibe is pursuing a master's degree in civil and environmental engineering at Wayne State University (WSU) majoring in transportation engineering, and is working as a graduate research assistant. He earned his bachelor's degree in civil engineering at Michigan State University in 2008.

Elibe has been participating in a number of MIOH UTC funded studies including transit oriented development along a proposed light-rail transit system on Woodward Avenue in the Metro-Detroit area. He has made valuable contributions to the project, demonstrating his ability to offer creative approaches to the problem.

Earlier in 2009, Elibe was a research assistant on the MIOH UTC “Modeling Metro-Detroit Transit” project, providing excellent support in data collection and analysis as well as preparation of reports. In the summer of 2009, he assisted in mentoring an undergraduate student of civil engineering as part of the Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation program at WSU. Among other professional memberships, Elibe is a student member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers from which he received a 2009 student assistance scholarship. In addition, Elibe has been selected by the Board of Regents of the Eno Transportation Foundation to participate in the 18th annual Eno Leadership Development Conference in Washington, DC, 2010. Elibe is one of nineteen participants selected nationally.

In recognition of his contributions on MIOH UTC projects, his academic performance, and community service, the Michigan Ohio University Transportation Center selected Elibe Ama Elibe as its 2009 Outstanding Student of the Year.

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