

# Mid-Continent Transportation Research Symposium

## Partnering to Build America's Transportation System

**August 16–17, 2007 at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa**

Iowa will host its sixth biennial transportation research symposium August 16–17, 2007.

In addition to a primarily Midwestern audience, all papers presented at the conference will reach an international audience of researchers and practitioners via the Internet. The online symposium papers are popular resources accessed by hundreds of people every week.

### List of Tracks

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Planning
- Weather
- Pavements
- Traffic
- Drivers
- ITS
- Environment
- Education/Communications

### Who Should Attend

Transportation researchers and practitioners alike will benefit from this unique symposium. Attendees from local, state, and national agencies and from the public and private sectors will find a variety of relevant topics for today's post-interstate, global transportation challenges.

Five concurrent sessions will allow attendees to select exactly those presentations that address their interests or sample a broad spectrum of today's transportation issues.

This symposium is being planned in accordance with the rules established by the Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board for awarding professional development hours.

### Registration Fees

Early registration (through Aug. 3) for the day-and-a-half symposium is \$150. Late registration (Aug. 4–13) will be \$175. Students who register early (through Aug. 3) can attend at the special rate of \$50. Students registering late (Aug. 4–13) will be \$75.

### Symposium Banquet

A banquet will be held Thursday, August 16. Spouses or guests are welcome. There is a separate \$35 charge for symposium attendees (both students and non-students) and each of their guests for the banquet.



### Special Speakers

#### **Mary Peters (invited)**

Secretary of Transportation  
U.S. DOT

#### **Anthony Kane**

Director - Engineering and  
Technical Services, AASHTO

### Symposium Sponsors

Iowa Department of Transportation  
Iowa State University's Center for  
Transportation Research and Education;  
Department of Civil, Construction and  
Environmental Engineering; and Midwest  
Transportation Consortium

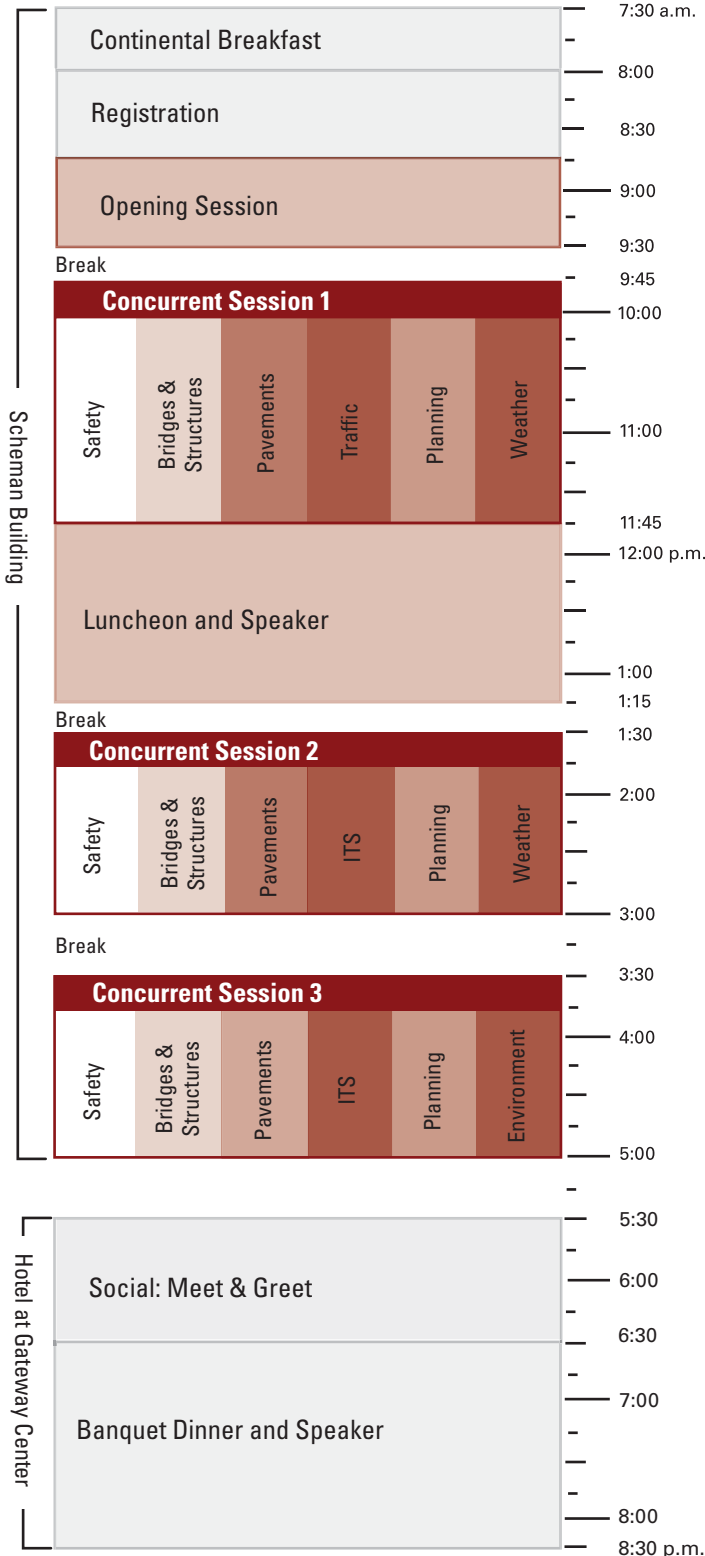
Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
University of Wisconsin's Midwest Regional  
University Transportation Center  
The University of Iowa's Department of Civil  
and Environmental Engineering

Register online at [www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html](http://www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html)

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## Schedule of Events for August 16–17, 2007

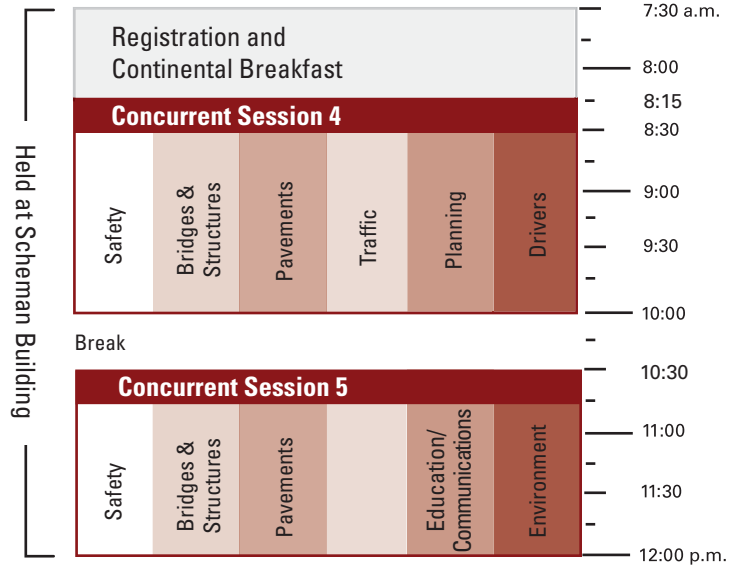
### Thursday, August 16th



### Location

The symposium sessions will be held at the Scheman Building, Iowa State Center, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. The social hour and banquet dinner will be held at The Hotel at Gateway Center. Ames is approximately 40 miles north of the Des Moines International Airport. Interstate 35 connects the two cities.

### Friday, August 17th



### Lodging

Blocks of rooms are available at special symposium rates at the following hotels August 16–17. To guarantee special rates, call by July 15 and mention the "Mid-Continent Transportation Research Symposium."

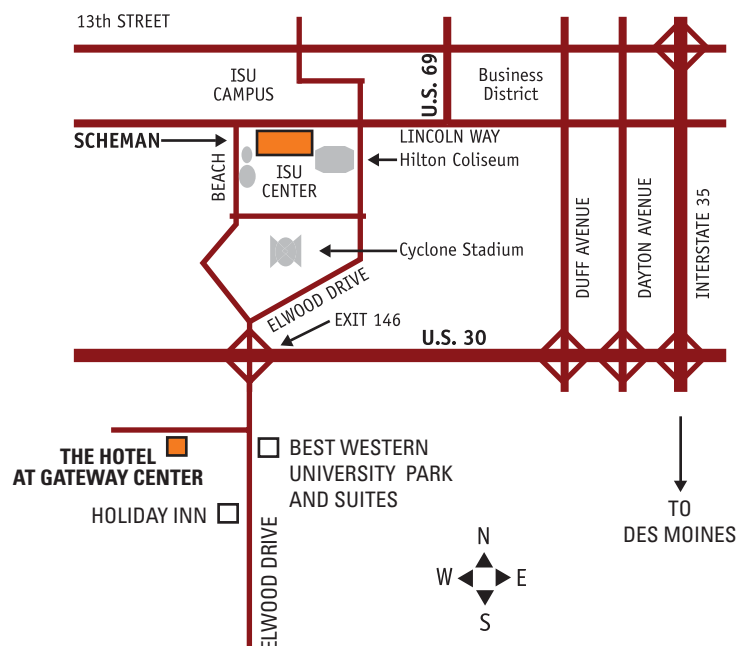
The Hotel at Gateway Center (1-800-367-2637) \$89\*

Best Western University Park and Suites (515-296-2500) \$64.95\*

Holiday Inn (515-268-8808) \$89\*

\*offer government employee discount with ID

### Map of Ames, Iowa



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## Registration Form

Please register online at [www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html](http://www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html)

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### Registration Form (if unable to register online)

#### 1. Participant information (please print) \*

First name / last name

Title

Organization

Street address

Day phone

City / state / zip code

Email

#### 2. Registration fees

(includes lunch August 16th, continental breakfast, break refreshments, and CD of proceedings)

Early registration (through Aug. 3) \$150 \_\_\_\_\_

Late registration (Aug. 4-13) \$175 \_\_\_\_\_

Early student rate (through Aug. 3) \$50 \_\_\_\_\_

Late student rate (Aug. 4-13) \$75 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet (Thursday evening, August 16) \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet for guest (name \_\_\_\_\_) \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

**Total registration fee** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Cancellations/Refunds

Registrants canceling by July 25 will receive a refund less a \$10 processing charge. No refunds will be made after July 25. Substitutions may be made at any time. Walk-in registrations will be accepted at the late registration rate for the symposium if space is available.

#### 3. Select method of payment

**Iowa DOT staff:** Do not send payment; payment will be handled internally.

Please provide cost center: \_\_\_\_\_

Field office, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

**All other registrants:** Please include

a purchase order or authorization letter signed by your organization's administrator on official letterhead (purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_)

or

payment in the form of a check to Iowa State University or credit card information

check (payable to Iowa State University)

credit card information

VISA

Master Card

Discover

Card #

Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Card holder name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Card holder signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Final registration deadline is

**Aug. 13, 2007**

One registration per form.  
Photocopy the form for additional registrants.

#### Registration Questions?

If you have questions about registration or need special accommodations, contact registration clerk, ISU Continuing and Distance Education, phone 515-294-6222, 1-800-262-0015.

#### Symposium Questions?

Contact Judy Thomas, CTRE at Iowa State University, phone 515-294-1866, fax 515-294-0467, or by email, [jathomas@iastate.edu](mailto:jathomas@iastate.edu).

#### Disclaimer

The Mid-Continent Transportation Research Symposium, except as provided under Chapter 25-A of the Code of Iowa relating to tort claims, shall not be held liable for damages or injuries to participants in the conference. Participants are advised to purchase individual insurance if their employer does not provide insurance coverage for injuries.

\*Iowa State University requests this information for the purpose of preregistering you in a symposium or workshop. No one outside the university, with the exception of participants in these events, is routinely provided this information. If you fail to provide this information, we can not promise accurate registration. (Reference: Iowa Code, Chapter 22.11; Iowa Fair Information Practices Act)

#### 5. Choose your sessions

To give us a better idea of the types of programs that most interest you, please mark your preferred sessions from the topics listed below. (You will not be required to attend these sessions, they will simply be used to help in planning room sizes and space more adequately.)

##### Session 1

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Pavements
- Traffic
- Planning
- Weather

##### Session 2

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Pavements
- ITS
- Planning
- Weather

##### Session 3

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Pavements
- ITS
- Planning
- Environment

##### Session 4

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Pavements
- Traffic
- Planning
- Drivers

##### Session 5

- Safety
- Bridges & Structures
- Pavements
- Education/Communications
- Environment

#### 4. Submit registration form

**Iowa DOT staff:** Fax this form to Carol Culver at 515-239-1766.

**All other registrants:** Register online at [www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html](http://www.ucs.iastate.edu/mnet/midcontinent/home.html). Or submit this completed form with the required fee to:

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