



STATE UNIVERSITY Interdisciplinary Transportation Group(ITG) Presents*

Speaker Series for April 7, 2016



April 7th 2016 11:30 to 12:00 PM-Torian Auditorium(COBA) -Jordan Bldg.

Mr. Nick Helmholdt, Director of Planning, Chatham Area Transit Authority Title: Bike Sharing in Savannah

Nick Helmholdt works for Chatham Area Transit Authority and Savannah Mobility Management where he focuses on enhancing transportation choices in the downtown area. Prior to moving to Savannah, Nick was a Project Manager at Clean Energy Coalition, a non-profit organization in Ann Arbor, Michigan. In this role he helped launch a city-wide bike share program, performed home energy audits, coordinated energy efficiency programs, and implemented a variety of clean energy projects. Nick completed his Masters of Science at Cornell University in Human Environment Design. His thesis explored the effects of interventions to abandoned housing on their surrounding neighborhoods. He completed his Bachelors of Science at Michigan State University in Urban and Regional Planning. He has served as a planning commissioner for Chelsea, Michigan and helped launch a Habitat for Humanity ReStore.

Nick is an enthusiastic bicyclist and home brewer. He designed and published a card game titled *Pint Craft* through a crowdfunding campaign. He has performed a wide variety of other work including hosting for Airbnb, blogging, and grant writing.

Ms. Whitney Shephard, PE, LEED AP, M.ASCE, Transport Studio

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Ms. Whitney co-founded Transport Studio, a Savannah-based planning and engineering firm, in 2013. She manages diverse projects for local and regional governments, non-profits, and private development firms. She has a technical focus on multimodal transportation, including active transportation, small transit systems, transportation and land-use Master Plans, travel demand, and advanced geographic information systems applications. Her recent projects include food system needs assessments, active transportation strategic plans, complete streets policies, socioeconomic data analysis, transit plans, subarea master plans, and long-range transportation planning for metropolitan planning organizations.

With seventeen years' experience in planning and design, Whitney has focused on transportation planning and engineering for twelve years. Whitney has worked in both the public and private sectors.

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