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The U.S. Department of Transportation today awarded 24 grants totaling nearly \$2.5 million to 24 colleges and universities for research and training programs in urban transportation.

The 24 grants, which total \$2,499,552, were made by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA). The grants will be administered by the University Grant Programs Division of UMTA's Office of Research, Development and Demonstrations.

In making the multi-grant announcement, Secretary of Transportation Claude S. Brinegar said:

"We have a unique opportunity to work with the universities of this country to help provide the manpower and training necessary to meet the complex problems of urban transportation head-on. I am pleased to see the academic world responding to this challenge and I welcome their assistance in a program which is given high priority by President Nixon."

This is a continuing program in which UMTA has provided funds to colleges for such activities as research fellowship support, course development and seminars in the area of urban transportation.

Administrator Frank C. Herringer of UMTA noted that the output from this program is already being felt throughout the transportation world. "Although the program is, in part, a long term investment, numerous research results, local involvement programs, and qualified graduates of this program are having an immediate impact," the Administrator said.

Today's grants will provide continued support for 20 schools currently in UMTA's University Research and Training Program. In addition, four schools will join the program for the first time. The common theme throughout all these schools is the development of a program in urban transportation combining research, training, and curriculum development.

Research and training conducted under this UMTA program reach the faculty, the undergraduate and the graduate student levels. The work is interdisciplinary in nature, tapping the capabilities of diverse academic departments such as urban planning; civil, mechanical and environmental engineering; sociology; economics, architecture, business and public administration.

Under these UMTA grants, schools will concentrate their research and training efforts on a wide range of problem areas. Problems of a practical and theoretical nature will be studied. Training of students will be continually reviewed and upgraded to provide the individual with the best skills available to prepare him for a future career in urban transportation.

The schools receiving 1973 fiscal year grants, and the amounts of each grant are as follows:

SUMMARY OF INSTITUTIONS RECEIVING UMTA FY '73 UNIVERSITY GRANTS

Atlanta University	Atlanta, Georgia	\$114,400
Carnegie-Mellon University	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	100,000
University of California-Los Angeles	Los Angeles	125,000
University of Colorado-Denver Center	Denver, Colorado	125,000
Consortium of Universities (D.C.)	Washington, D.C.	82,000
University of Dayton	Dayton, Ohio	87, 090
University of Illinois-Chicago Circle	Chicago, Illinois	100,000
University of Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa	122,000
Manhattan College	New York, New York	25,000
Marquette University	Milwaukee, Wisconsin	125,000
University of Michigan	Ann Arbor, Michigan	88,500
Newark College of Engineering	Newark, New Jersey	105,000
North Carolina A&T State University	Greensboro, North Carolina	125,000
Northeastern University	Boston, Massachusetts	125,000
Northern Arizona University	Flagstaff, Arizona	59,000
Northwestern University	Evanston, Illinois	125,000
University of Oklahoma-Norman	Norman, Oklahoma	82,562
Pan American University	Edinburg, Texas	59,000
Pennsylvania State University	University Park, Pennsylvania	125,000
Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn	Brooklyn, New York	100,000
Southern University	Baton Rouge, Louisiana	125,000
Stanford University	Palo Alto, California	125,000
Syracusé University	Syracuse, New York	125,000 125,000
University of Washington	Seattle, Washington	125,000

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