

Biography

Dr. Kari Edison Watkins, P.E., is an Assistant Professor in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Georgia, USA. She returned to her undergraduate alma mater to become a faculty member in 2011 after completing her PhD in Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Washington. Her teaching and research interests revolve around multi-modal transportation planning and the use of technology in transportation, especially as related to transit planning and operations and improved traveler information. At UW, Dr. Watkins' research focused on transit travel time reliability and the effects of transit traveler information. She co-created the OneBusAway program (<http://onebusaway.org/>) to provide real-time next bus countdown information and other transit information tools for transit riders in greater Seattle-Tacoma, Washington, USA. Prior to her doctoral studies, Dr. Watkins worked for a decade as a senior transportation engineer.