



## **Civil Engineering Student Selected Eisenhower Fellow**

*Sujan Sikder also receives NCST award.*

**Tampa, Fla. (March 29, 2011)** – Civil engineering doctoral student Sujan Sikder was recently awarded a Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship, and also received a grant through the University Student Scholars Program of the National Center on Senior Transportation (NCST).

The Eisenhower competitive fellowship is awarded to students pursuing degrees in transportation-related disciplines. Each year 100-150 students receive this fellowship based on merit (academic performance, transportation work experience, and a proposed plan of research/study). He will receive \$5,000.

The NCST award is very competitive and Sujan was selected as one of only three scholars nationally to receive this honor. He will receive \$2,000 for his proposal titled "*An Analysis of the Short-Term and Long-Term Mobility Patterns and Preferences of Older Adults in the United States.*" The NCST project focuses on projects related to older adult transportation.

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