

# Peter D. Bennett

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## Experience

2021 - 2022

### **South America Transportation and Urbanism Study Tour**

*Colombia, Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Perú, Ecuador*

- Professional Development: Learning from first-hand experience in case study cities.
  - See portfolio for examples and visuals.

2015 - 2021

### **Transportation Specialist, Bike and Pedestrian Program**

*City of San José, California, USA*

- Project Manager: Better Bikeways
  - Built a connected network of low-stress bikeways in the downtown that was built using quick-build materials in collaboration with regularly scheduled street paving.
  - Led outreach efforts, using a strategy to reach a broad audience through mixed methods. The messaging was crafted to build support and avoid backlash.
  - Led project design meetings, building consensus around innovative solutions.
  - Collaborated with internal staff and external stakeholders to plan and implement the project.
  - Reviewed consultant deliverables and negotiated changes to the scope of work.
  - See portfolio for project photographs.
- Program Manager: Bicycle Parking
  - Installed convenient and secure bike parking at destinations with the goal of increasing bicycle use. Our target was to install 500 spaces per year.
  - Site planning for bicycle racks and lockers.
  - Apply for and manage grants that fund the program.
  - Publicize the program and interface with businesses and organizations.
  - See portfolio for examples.
- Other Responsibilities
  - Covid-19 Emergency Response: supplies and inventory for housing shelters, planning for pedestrian and dining street spaces.
  - Vision Zero corridor audits.
  - Collaborate with colleagues on bike share and micro-mobility planning.

2015

### **Researcher, World Resources Institute, Ross Center for Sustainable Cities**

*Bangalore, India*

- Project: Guidebook and articles on public bicycle sharing systems in Indian cities.

2011 - 2015

### **Research Associate, University of New Orleans Transportation Institute**

*New Orleans, Louisiana, USA*

- Projects:
  - Comprehensive planning for two local communities.
  - Smart growth area and corridor plans focusing on pedestrian infrastructure.

2009 - 2011

### **Graduate Assistant**

*Dr. John L. Renne, University of New Orleans*

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## Education

- 2009 - 2011 **Master of Urban and Regional Planning**  
*The University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA*
- Specialization: Transportation Planning
  - Thesis: Development activity and land values around a future streetcar project.
- 2004 - 2008 **Bachelor of Arts**  
*Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin, USA*
- Majors: Economics and Environmental Science
  - Minors: Government and Studio Art
- 2000 - 2004 **High School**  
*Madison West High School, Madison, Wisconsin, USA*

## Advocacy

- 2012 - 2015 **Bike Easy**  
*New Orleans, Louisiana, USA*
- Board of Directors, Policy Committee, Education Programming, and Campaigns
- 2011 - 2015 **RIDE New Orleans**  
*New Orleans, Louisiana, USA*
- GIS Consultant for State of Transit Report, Policy Campaigns
- 2011 **Park(ing) Day**  
*New Orleans, Louisiana, USA*

## Certifications and Workshops

- League of American Bicyclists Certified Instructor (LCI) training for bicycle traffic safety
- Designing Streets for Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Workshop
- APBP Workshop on ADA Accessibility
- Certified Green Infrastructure Professional - Louisiana Urban Stormwater Coalition

## Skills

- Use of GIS, statistics packages, Microsoft Office, and graphic design layout software.
- Proficient with film and digital cameras, and darkroom procedure.
- Pedestrian commuter, bicycle traveler, and transit rider.