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## EDUCATION:

***University of Southern California***

2022 Ph.D., *Urban Planning and Development*
**Dissertation:** *Spatial and Temporal Expenditure-Pricing Equity of Rail Transit Fare Policies*
**Committee:** Genevieve Giuliano (Chair), Marlon Boarnet, Brian Taylor (UCLA)

***University of California, Berkeley***

2012 Master of *City Planning*
**Professional Report:** *Land-Use and Transportation Policies for Sustainable Affordable Housing*

***Stanford University***

2009 Bachelor of Arts, *Urban Studies*
**Senior Project:** *Evaluation of the Incentive and Operational Structure of the California Foster Care System*

***West Valley College***

2007 Associate of Arts, *Communication Studies*

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS:

***Alabama A&M University* (2024-**

2024- Assistant Professor, Community and Regional Planning

***Cornell University* (2022-24)**

2022-24 Strauch Fellow, City and Regional Planning

***University of Southern California* (2018-22)**

2018-22 Research Assistant, Sol Price School of Public Policy

2020 Teaching Assistant (*The Urban Context for Policy and Planning*), Sol Price School of Public Policy

## PUBLICATIONS:

***Refereed Articles***

Mallett, Zakhary and Nicholas Wilsey. "Transit commute mode share: The role of employment geography and spatial constraints." *Journal of Transport Geography* (2026): 104971. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jtrangeo.2026.104791.

Mallett, Zakhary and Nicholas Wilsey. "Beyond Dispersion: Density, Industry, and Political Fragmentation in the Geography of Regional Job Centers." *Journal of Regional Science* (2026): e70058. https://doi.org/10.1111/jors.70058.

Mallett, Zakhary. "Inequitable inefficiency: A case study of rail transit fare policies." *Journal of Transport and Land Use* 18.1 (2025): 319-358. https://doi.org/10.5198/jtlu.2025.2485.

Mallett, Zakhary. "Transportation finance equity: A theoretical and empirical review of pricing equity, expenditure equity, and pricing-expenditure equity in US transit provision" *Transportation Research Interdisciplinary Perspectives* 31 (2025): 101418. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.trip.2025.101418.

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Mallett, Zakhary. "Bridging allocative and productive efficiency in US transit policy research: A review." *Transportation Research Interdisciplinary Perspectives* 26 (2024): 101149. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.trip.2024.101149.

**PUBLICATIONS (cont.):**

***Refereed Articles (cont.)***

Mallett, Zakhary. "Spatial and Temporal Variability of Rail Transit Costs and Cost Effectiveness." *Transportation Research Record* 2677.1 (2023): 1444-1460. https://doi.org/10.1177/03611981221104807.

***Book Chapters***

Mallett, Zakhary, and Marlon G. Boarnet. "Transit Planning and Management." *International Encyclopedia of Transportation*, Elsevier, 2021, pp. 349–359. https://doi.org/10.1016/b978-0-08-102671-7.10447-6.

***Research Reports***

Wei, Dan, Genevieve Giuliano, Kelly-Anne Moffa, and Zakhary Mallett. "Economic Analysis and Review of Commercial Vehicle Road User Charges." *METRANS Transportation Center*, 2023, www.metrans.org/research/economic-analysis-and-review-of-commercial-vehicle-road-user-charges

Boarnet, Marlon G., Zakhary Mallett, and Clemens A. Pilgram. "Dockless Scooter Travel: A Land Use Model with Implications for California." *METRANS Transportation Center*, 2020, www.metrans.org/research/dockless-scooter-travel-a-land-use-model-with-implications-for-california

Giuliano, Genevieve, Sang-O Kim, and Zakhary Mallett. "Regional Planning and Climate Change Mitigation in California." *Joint Clean Climate Transport Research Partnership (JCCTRP),* 2020, https://decarbonisation.uqam.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2022/12/202005_JCCTRP_Working-Paper-2020-1_California_En.pdf

***Popular Press***

Mallett, Zakhary. "How Should We Pay for Transportation?" *Vital City*, 2 Oct 2024, https://www.vitalcitynyc.org/articles/how-should-we-pay-for-transportation-new-york-city

Mallett, Zakhary. "Vote no on Prop. 22: No free rides for Uber and Lyft." *San Francisco Chronicle*, 7 Oct 2020, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/Vote-no-on-Prop-22-No-free-rides-for-Uber-and-15626605.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "The distorted economics of ride hailing must be fixed by California law." *San Francisco Chronicle*, 19 Jun 2019, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/The-distorted-economics-of-ride-hailing-must-be-14015889.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "Uber, Lyft driver incentives create more traffic, while not delivering more rides: A firsthand perspective." *SFGate*, 13 Jun 2017, www.sfgate.com/local/article/Uber-Lyft-11214576.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "Capitol Corridor stop in Hercules is not a simple fix at all." *East Bay Times*, 9 Jun 2017, www.eastbaytimes.com/2017/06/09/opinion-capitol-corridor-stop-in-hercules-is-not-a-simple-fix-at-all

Mallett, Zakhary. "BART labor extension should be rejected." *East Bay Times*, 21 Apr 2016, www.eastbaytimes.com/2016/04/21/bart-labor-extension-should-be-rejected-zakhary-mallett-guest-commentary

Mallett, Zakhary. "Support a bond measure to reinvest in BART." *San Francisco Chronicle*, 1 Apr 2016, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/article/Support-a-bond-measure-to-reinvest-in-BART-7223479.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "Public art should not be high on the list of BART priorities right now." *East Bay Times*, 12 Aug 2015, www.eastbaytimes.com/2015/08/12/guest-commentary-public-art-should-not-be-high-on-the-list-of-bart-priorities-right-now

Mallett, Zakhary. "OK, we need a second BART transbay tube. Where would it go?" *San Francisco Chronicle*, 6 Feb 2015, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/article/OK-we-need-a-second-BART-transbay-tube-Where-6068734.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "VTA should switch BART route to follow highways to North San Jose." *The Mercury News*, 22 Nov 2014, www.mercurynews.com/2014/11/22/zakhary-mallett-vta-should-switch-bart-route-to-follow-highways-to-north-san-jose

Mallett, Zakhary. "2nd Transbay Tube needed to help keep BART on track." *SFGate*, 7 Sep 2014, www.sfgate.com/opinion/article/2nd-Transbay-Tube-needed-to-help-keep-BART-on-5737004.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "BART helps S.F. function, time to share some funding." *San Francisco Chronicle*, 7 Jul 2014, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/BART-helps-S-F-function-time-to-share-some-5605290.php

## PUBLICATIONS (cont.):

***Popular Press (cont.)***

Mallett, Zakhary. "BART directors must grow a backbone to protect public." *East Bay Times*, 6 Mar 2014, www.eastbaytimes.com/2014/03/06/guest-commentary-bart-directors-must-grow-a-backbone-to-protect-public

Mallett, Zakhary. "Public got hurt twice in BART contract." *East Bay Times*, 7 Nov 2013, www.eastbaytimes.com/2013/11/07/zakhary-mallett-public-got-hurt-twice-in-bart-contract

Mallett, Zakhary. "BART workers not negotiating in good faith." *San Francisco Chronicle*, 16 Jul 2013, www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/BART-workers-not-negotiating-in-good-faith-4669229.php

Mallett, Zakhary. "Director says his team must hold the line in BART negotiations." *East Bay Times*, 2 Jul 2013, www.eastbaytimes.com/2013/07/02/director-says-his-team-must-hold-the-line-in-bart-negotiations

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW:

Mallett, Zakhary. "Explaining Variation in Commute Time: The Role of Age, Region, and Travel Mode." *Revise and Resubmit*. https://doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5266792.

Mallett, Zakhary. "The Limits of Jobs-Housing Balance: How Regional Scale Structures the Relationship Between Municipal Imbalance and Commute Length." *Revise and Resubmit.*

Mallett, Zakhary. "Is Jobs-Housing Imbalance a Metropolitan Inefficiency or Product of Metropolitan Scale? Evidence from U.S. Metropolitan Areas." *Under Review.*

## MEDIA MENTIONS:

2024 Hu, Winnie. "Congestion Pricing's Billions to Pay for Nuts and Bolts of Subway System." *The New York Times*, 6 May 2024, https://www.nytimes.com/2024/05/06/nyregion/congestion-pricing-tolls-mta.html

Rivero, Nicolás and Oliver Staley. "NYC had a plan to make it hard for cars to enter the city. Here's why the governor blocked it." *The Washington Post*, 6 June 2024, https://www.washingtonpost.com/climate-environment/2024/06/05/new-york-city-congestion-pricing-kathy-hochul/

2023 King, Jesse. "Congestion pricing faces pushback on all fronts. What might 'exemptions' mean for drivers?" *WAMC Northeast Public Radio*, 21 Dec 2023, https://www.wamc.org/news/2023-12-21/congestion-pricing-faces-pushback-on-all-fronts-what-might-exemptions-mean-for-drivers

2021 Graber, Henry. "If Rush Hour Dies, Does Mass Transit Die With It?" *Slate*, 11 Feb 2021, https://slate.com/business/2021/02/mass-transit-subways-after-pandemic.html

## SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, & GRANTS:

2021 **Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program Graduate Fellowship**, Federal Highway Administration, United States Department of Transportation ($5,000)
**Graduate Scholarship**, California Transportation Foundation ($5,000)
**Price/Graduate School Fellowship**, University of Southern California ($30,500)

2020 **Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program Graduate Fellowship**, Federal Highway Administration, United States Department of Transportation ($35,500)
**Graduate Scholarship**, Railway Association of Southern California ($3,000)
**Nathaniel Ford Scholarship**, American Public Transportation Foundation ($6,000)
**Price School Top-Off Fellowship**, University of Southern California ($7,655)

2019 **Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program Graduate Fellowship**, Federal Highway Administration, United States Department of Transportation ($5,000)
**Graduate Scholarship**, Railway Association of Southern California ($2,000)
**Nathaniel Ford Scholarship**, American Public Transportation Foundation ($7,000)

2018 **Board Scholarship**, American Public Transportation Foundation ($7,000)

**SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, & GRANTS (cont.):**

2018 (c.) **Price/Graduate School Fellowship**, University of Southern California ($30,000)
2011 **University of California Transportation Center Fellowship**, University of California, Berkeley ($10,000)
2010 **Department Fellowship**, University of California, Berkeley ($3,600)
**University of California Transportation Center Fellowship**, University of California, Berkeley ($10,000)
2008 **Mr. and Mrs. Lane Undergraduate Advising and Research Major Grant**, Stanford University ($6,200)
**Stanford Fund Scholarship**, Stanford University ($29,760)
2007 **Kim and Eddie Poplawski Scholarship**, Stanford University ($6,270)
**Stanford Fund Scholarship**, Stanford University ($24,078)

**HONORS & AWARDS:**

2023 **Inductee**, Edward A. Bouchet Graduate Honor Society, Cornell University Chapter
**Honorable Mention, Ph.D. Dissertation Award**, Transportation and Public Utilities Group
2022 **Student of the Year**, Pacific Southwest Region University Transportation Center
**Best Student Paper**, Transportation Research Forum
2021 **Honorable Mention, Dissertation Fellowship**, Ford Foundation
2019 **Honorable Mention, Predoctoral Fellowship**, Ford Foundation
2017 **Transfer Hall of Fame Awardee**, West Valley College

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:**

2026 *"Explaining Variation in Commute Time: The Role of Age, Region, and Travel Mode"*, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)
*"Transit Commute Mode Share: The Role of Employment Geography and Spatial Constraints"*, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)
2025 *"Beyond Dispersion: Density, Industry, and Political Fragmentation in the Geography of Regional Job Centers"*, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Meeting (Minneapolis, MN)
*"Explaining Variation in Commute Time: The Role of Age, Region, and Travel Mode"*, Alabama Transportation Planners Association Annual Conference (Florence, AL)
2024 *"Socioeconomic, Region, and Travel Mode Variance in Commute Time Expenditure"*, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Meeting (Seattle, WA)
2023 *"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Meeting (Chicago, IL)
*"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Transportation and Public Utilities Group, Allied Social Science Associations Annual Meeting (New Orleans, LA)
2022 *"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, METRANS Transportation Center Emerging Scholars Symposium (Los Angeles, CA)
*"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Pacific Southwest Region University Transportation Center Congress (Honolulu, HI)
*"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Transportation Research Forum Annual Forum (Saint Louis, MO)
*"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Western Regional Science Association Annual Meeting (Scottsdale, AZ)
*"Spatial and Temporal Variability of Rail Transit Costs and Cost Effectiveness"*, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (cont.):

2021 *"Equity and Demand Implications of Rail Transit Fare Policies (An Update)"*, Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program, Transportation Research Board (Virtual Conference)

2020 *"Equity and Demand Implications of Transit Fare Policies"*, Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)

*"Spatial Determinants of Dockless Scooter Use"*, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Virtual Conference)

*"Spatial Determinants of Dockless Scooter Use"*, Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Meeting (Virtual Conference)

2016 *"The Challenges of a Legacy System: Investing to Renew Ageing Infrastructure"*, SmartTransit USA (Newark, NJ)

*"Train Control Upgrading at BART"*, Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)

2015 *"The Future of Fare Collection"*, SmartRail USA (Charlotte, NC)

## INVITED TALKS:

2023 *"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)

2022 *"Inequitable Inefficiency: A Case Study of Rail Transit Fare Policies"*, College of Architecture, Art, and Planning, Cornell University (Ithaca, NY)

2021 *"Competing Principles of Transit Fare Policies"*, Sol Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)

2018 *"BART to San Jose Planning and Politics"*, Sol Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)

*"San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART): History, Politics, Planning, and Policy"*, Sol Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, CA)

2011 *"Politics and Planning: BART to San Jose"*, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, San Jose State University (San Jose, CA)

## COURSES TAUGHT:

***Alabama A&M University***

2025- The Community and You (Introduction to Urban Studies, *Undergraduate*)
Transportation Policy and Planning *(Graduate)*
Urban Economics *(Graduate and Undergraduate)*

2024- Statistics for Urban Planning *(Undergraduate)*
Transportation and Land Use Planning *(Graduate)*

***Cornell University***

2022-23 Transportation and Land Use Planning *(Graduate and Undergraduate)*
2023 Urban Mass Transit *(Graduate and Undergraduate)*

## GRADUATE ADVISING:

***Alabama A&M University***

2026 Boyce, Joshua (MURP)

2025 Adams, Meshach (MURP)
Mauldin, Morgan (MURP)

## PUBLIC SERVICE:

***San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District* (2012-16)**

2012-16 Director, District 7 (Elected Position)

## INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE:

***Alabama A&M University***

2026 Member, Faculty Senate (*University*)
2025-26 Chair, Web/Communication Committee *(Department)*
Member, Graduate Admissions/Recruitment/Retention Committee *(Department)*
2025 Chair, Graduate Curriculum Committee *(Department)*

***Cornell University***

2023 Organizer and Moderator, Symposium on *Spatial Structure and Travel Patterns of the Post-Pandemic City*
2022-23 Member, Colloquium Committee *(Department)*
Member, Awards Committee *(Department)*

***University of Southern California***

2019-20 Student Representative, Ph.D. Committee *(College)*

***West Valley College***

2007 Student Representative, Philosophy Hiring Committee *(Department)*

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION:

***Journal Reviewer***

2026 Transport Policy
Transportation Research Record
2025 International Journal of Sustainable Transportation

***Proposal Reviewer***

2025- University of California Institute of Transportation Studies

***Research Program Panel Member***

2025- Transit Cooperative Research Program A-55 (Travel Behavior and Financial Impacts of Fare Capping), National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
Transit Cooperative Research Program J-11 (Optimizing Work Schedules for Transit Workers), National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

***Conference Session Moderator***

2023- Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning
2014-15 SmartRail USA
2014 Rail~Volution (now Mpact)

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

***Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California* (2011)**

2011 Research Intern/Consultant

***County of Santa Clara* (2005-06)**

2005-06 Intern, Juvenile Probation Department
2005 Intern, Office of Honorable County Supervisor James T. Beall