

Who we are:

The Tennessee Department of Transportation provides citizens of Tennessee and travelers with one of the best transportation systems in the country. TDOT is a multimodal agency with responsibilities in building and maintaining roads, aviation, public transit, waterways, railroads, cycling and walking. Our involvement ranges from airport improvements to funding transit buses to planning for river ports.

The Department of Transportation has more than 3,400 employees statewide with regional facilities in Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville and Jackson. TDOT's headquarters is located in downtown Nashville.

What the Division does:

The Construction Offices are responsible for providing a timely delivery of construction projects providing increased mobility and capacity options for multimodal users. Regional Construction offices work hand in hand with communities, state, and local partners to provide strong strategic relationships and coordinated service to our customers.

For more information on this division, please see link below:

<https://www.tn.gov/tdot/fin-d-local-information.html>



TDOT Intern

District 29 Construction

Location: Chattanooga & Cleveland, TN

Compensation: \$21.00/hourly

Overview

The Tennessee Department of Transportation is currently hiring student interns for the Region 2 Construction offices located in Chattanooga and Cleveland, TN. The intern will be assigned to various projects that are assigned to the office. These projects will consist of resurfacing, bridge repair, bridge replacement, landscaping, and widening/reconstruction. The intern will learn to inspect projects and complete DWRs in the application. The inspections requirements will be taught to the intern by a specialist or technician currently assigned to the projects. Inspections will include, but not limited to, concrete testing, hot mix testing, EPSC, rock gradations, steel reinforcement, cut & fill slopes, etc. The intern will also participate in progress meetings, schedule reviews, pre-construction meetings, monthly contractor estimate reviews, and final records close-outs. His/her time will be split 50/50 between the field and office/meetings.

Responsibilities

- Review project plans and specifications, discussing with the project specialist and lead field technician to understand the project.
- Gather information for generating monthly estimates and resolving any discrepancies.
- Shadow field technicians to learn about hands on testing techniques and other project inspection duties.
- Lead a progress meeting with the contractor.
- Prepare meeting notes and minutes for monthly progress meetings.

Qualifications

- Civil Engineering, Construction Management, or Concrete Management major required.
- Graduate Student, Junior, or Senior Class Status required as of May 2025 OR recent Graduate as of Spring 2024.
- Legally authorized to work in the U.S.
- Experience in heavy civil construction and the ability to read & interpret plans preferred.
- Experience working with Microsoft programs preferred.

To be considered for this position, please visit the [TDOT Summer Internship Program](#) website and submit an application.

Please attach a two (2) page maximum résumé and a transcript to your application.

Applicants will be required to provide an academic portfolio showcasing academic achievements, experience, and knowledge.

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.