

Who we are:

Transportation is so basic that many of us overlook its overwhelming importance in our daily lives. Practically everything used in our homes, offices, or schools across Tennessee – from furniture to food items to clothing – requires a large and complex transportation network. 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 approximately 3,500 employees with four statewide region facilities in Knoxville, Chattanooga, Nashville, and Jackson.



TDOT Intern

Region 2 - Geodetics

Location: Chattanooga, Cookeville, or Dunlap, TN

Compensation: \$22.00/hourly

Overview

The Tennessee Department of Transportation is currently hiring a student intern for the Region 2 Geodetics section, located in Chattanooga, Dunlap, or Cookeville, TN. The intern will be assigned a lower-complexity route survey, such as an intersection, drainage structure, or facility. Responsibilities will include planning the job, collecting field and aerial data, researching property boundaries, and developing reports, checklists, and CADD products. The goal is to deliver a finished, quality-checked product that meets TDOT standards.

Responsibilities

- Perform field surveys with a survey crew and collect topographic, drainage, and digital terrain model data
- Assist the crew in locating property and right of way monumentation and assist with the research necessary to accurately locate and determine property lines.
- Create survey deliverables utilizing multiple software packages including Carlson field and office software and OpenROADs Designer CADD software.
- Use various types of surveying equipment including GNSS equipment & Robotic Total Stations to collect survey data for transportation projects.

Minimum Qualifications

- Engineering, Land Surveying, or related major required
- Junior, or Senior Class Status required as of May 2026 OR recent Graduate as of Spring 2025.
- Legally authorized to work in the U.S.
- Property & Boundary Line Location experience preferred.
- OpenRoads Designer CADD software or other CADD software experience 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.

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