

## 2003 Outstanding Student of the Year Award

The University of Rhode Island Transportation Center selected Mr. Samuel K. Eisenbeiser as its 2003 Outstanding Student of the Year.

Mr. Eisenbeiser earned his masters in community planning degree from the University of Rhode Island in May of 2003, achieving a GPA of about 3.9. As a graduate assistant, he played a key role in the University of Rhode Island Transportation Center (URITC) funded project “Developing and Applying a Transportation Model for Aquidneck Island.” As part of this effort, he researched transportation models and demonstrated the use of GIS models in case studies related to planning efforts in three towns on Aquidneck Island.

After graduation, Mr. Eisenbeiser accepted a position at Fitzgerald and Halliday, Inc., a full-service planning consulting firm involved in many transportation studies. At Fitzgerald and Halliday, he has worked on a corridor study and performed traffic analyses to optimize roadway lane configurations and signal timing. Prior to his graduate studies at URI, Mr. Eisenbeiser worked as a transportation planner in Connecticut. He also served in the US Coast Guard and was awarded the Guard’s Commendation Medal for outstanding achievement following an active duty tour.

Mr. Eisenbeiser was selected for the 2003 URITC Outstanding Student of the Year award because of his excellent academic achievement and professional background. As an outstanding graduate of the URI Community Planning program, Mr. Eisenbeiser is a promising young transportation planner.



From left to right: Richard Horn, Executive Director of the URITC, Samuel Eisenbeiser, URITC 2003 Student of the Year, and Maria Amador, Assistant Director of the URITC.