

Biography: Dr. P.S. Sriraj

In September of 2016, Dr. P.S. Sriraj was appointed Director of the Urban Transportation Center at UIC. He also is Director of the [Metropolitan Transportation Support Initiative \(METSI\)](#) and Research Associate Professor. His areas of expertise include public transportation systems, equity and transportation improvement, program evaluation and applying systems thinking/complex problems approaches to transportation.

Since 2000 he has served as principal investigator or a senior researcher on more than 42 funded research projects, generating more than \$16 million in research funding. His research has addressed the integration of transit modes, mobility issues for environmental justice population groups, alternative funding sources for intercity passenger rail, the benefits of freight infrastructure improvement, transit adaptation to climate change, mobility management networks, pedestrian safety, and performance measures for transportation systems.

He serves as an Associate Editor in the [Journal of Public Transportation](#), the [Journal of Geographic Information Systems](#), as well as serving as a Director in the Executive Committee of the [Council of University Transportation Centers](#). In August of 2020, Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker appointed Dr. Sriraj to the Illinois International Port District board.

Dr. Sriraj earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree in civil engineering and a Master's of science degree in civil engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. And, he holds a Master's of Science in physics and a Bachelor's of Engineering in Civil Engineering from Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani, India.

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