Thank you, SAFER-SIM researchers and students, for attending the 10th SAFER-SIM Symposium. Even though things looked a bit differently this year because of COVID-19, your attendance and participation helped make this a memorable conference. We had four impactful sessions with around 78 attendees that showcased what SAFER-SIM is about: safety, research, and collaboration.

Symposium Summary

March 11th: What Makes a Successful UTC?

The symposium kicked off Thursday afternoon with a presentation by David Yang and Bill Horrey from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety about “What Makes A Successful UTC”. Afterwards, we utilized the platform “Gather” to network and socialize virtually. 42 individuals attended this session.

March 12th: Industry & Government Perspective on Implementing Research Results

50 people attended our industry and government perspective on implementing research results by the following professionals: Eric Hill (MetroPlan Orlando), Rachel James (Federal Highway Administration), Lily Oliver (Massachusetts DOT), Charles Green (General Motors), and Bob Najduk (Trek Bicycle).
March 18th: Success Stories on Technology Transfer

A panel of professionals from the SAFER-SIM sites gave presentations about their success stories on technology transfer. Presenters included Kelvin Santiago-Chaparro (UW), Chengbo Ai (UM), Chris Schwarz (UI), Ou Zheng (UCF), and Didier Valdez Diaz, Alberto Figueroa-Medina, and Benjamín Colucci-Rios (UPRM). 46 individuals attended this session.

March 19th: Student Hybrid Poster Session

The last activity of the symposium was the student hybrid poster sessions that took place on “Gather”. 15 students gave a one-minute pitch about their projects to around 40 people. They then had time to go more in-depth about their posters if there were any follow up questions.

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