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UTC Project Information – CAMMSE @ UNC Charlotte	
Project Title	Optimizing Type and Location of Pedestrian Crossing Signs at Non-
	signalized Intersections
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Brief Description of	Numbers of pedestrians crossing streets at non-signalized
Research Project	locations, particularly in suburban areas have been increasing but
	since the Covid-19 pandemic, numbers of people walking for
	exercise and fun has increased exponentially. Safety of pedestrians
	sharing street crossings with automobiles has become increasingly
	problematic as numbers of pedestrian crossings have increased. A
	variety of signs and sign configurations are allowed by the Manual
	on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). Guidance provided
	by the MUTCD regarding types of signs and particularly mounting
	locations for pedestrian crossing signs at non-signalized
	intersections is sparse. A recent study of signage for unsignalized



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	pedestrian crossings by the research team showed potentially
	significant impact of signage location on likelihood of automobile
	compliance.
	The objective of this project is to identify optimal locations for
	signage at unsignalized pedestrian crossing locations, as well as,
	optimal signage configurations. The proposed work will address at
	least two CAMMSE research thrusts: Generate innovations in multi-
	modal planning and modeling for high-growth regions; and
	Innovations to improve multi-modal connections, system
	integration and security.
Describe Implementation	
of Research Outcomes	
(or why not	
implemented)	
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Impacts/Benefits of	
Implementation (actual,	
not anticipated)	
Web Links	https://cammse.uncc.edu/sites/cammse.uncc.edu/files/media/CA
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