Transportation plays a central role in every person’s life, whether commuting to work, traveling to school, or walking in your neighborhood. Thus, any changes to City transportation policy and infrastructure may be controversial.

The City of Los Angeles approved the "Mobility Plan 2035" in August. The Plan sets forth a new vision of mobility for all modes of transportation by creating layered networks and dedicating space on the City’s street network for all residents.

Some hail the new vision for L.A.’s future -- guiding the City into a new form of urban mobility. Others argue that its multi-modalism comes at the cost of vehicle mobility, increased emergency vehicle access times, and an overall increase in congestion.

This Urban Growth Seminar invites a panel of experts to discuss the significance, prospects, and pitfalls of Mobility Plan 2035.

The panel will discuss the content of the plan, the philosophy and urban theory underlying the policy, and the practical implications on the street and address questions such as how does the plan affect Angelinos in their daily lives? Is the Plan only a guiding document or does it contain aspects of implementation? Is the Plan already have effects on real estate development? What vision does the panel have for how Angelinos will move about in 2035?

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