IGERT Doctoral Fellowships
Provide a $30,000 annual stipend plus tuition for two years of graduate study with additional years supported through related research or teaching assistantships.

Undetected damage to steel buildings caused by the 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake was discovered only after the 1994 Northridge Earthquake.

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Undetected precursors to deterioration and damage and subsequent postponed maintenance have resulted in maintenance deficiencies of US roadways and bridges costing $92 billion.

Each disaster is another reminder to policy makers about the need to engage technical expertise in defining diagnostic criteria and practices. The 1906 San Francisco Earthquake was an impetus to improved design codes. Yet despite decades of learning about how systems respond to severe ground motion and how to design structures to be more resilient, methods to diagnose health and policies to remedy compromised integrity are needed.

Doctoral research experience with experts in a novel two-campus interdisciplinary research and education program:
- civil engineering
- structural engineering
- computer science
- signal processing
- computer engineering
- material science
- electrical engineering
- public policy

The INTELLIGENT DIAGNOSTICS IGERT integrates:
- Multidisciplinary Coursework
- TestBED & Real World Data
- Industry Internships
- Research Center Collaboration
- Multicultural Education

Addressing:
- Technology Challenges
- Global Workforce Needs
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To train LEADERS in:
- Technical and Societal Implications of Intelligent Diagnostics for Aging Civil Infrastructure

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Coursework Includes
✦ Linear Systems for Diagnostics
✦ Identification & Damage Characterization
✦ Social, Economic, & Political Policy
✦ Non-Destructive Evaluation Sensors
✦ Inverse Problems
✦ Materials & Fracture

Additional Activities
✦ ID Urban Studio: Case-based presentation of aging infrastructure problems
✦ ID Challenge: Benchmark problems that provide a common basis for analytical evaluation
✦ ID Round Table: Seminar engaging all faculty & students

Representative Research Projects
✦ Data Driven Techniques for Damage Detection
✦ Disaster Specific Fault-Detection and Reconfiguration
✦ Electromagnetic Remote Sensing of Underground Contamination Characterization
✦ Electromagnetic and Mechanical Wave Fusion for Rapid Non-destructive High Resolution Diagnostic
✦ Fault Detection in Underground Systems
✦ Passive Self-Diagnosis w/ Massively Networked Microsensors
✦ Null Space Techniques for Fault Localization
✦ Time Reversal in Structural Diagnostics
✦ Plate Structure Fault Detection using Lamb Waves

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