

**The following FAQ has been prepared for the Division of Construction Engineering and Management (CEM) as a result of questions prepared by students in ENGR 13100 provided by the FYE/ENGR 13100 faculty upon the review of the CEM literature for ENGR 13100.**

## **INTERNSHIPS**

What kind of internships are available through CEM?

- There are 40+ companies that work with CEM every year to place the students into internships. These range from local companies to national general contractors to owners. Internships can be in office environments or out on active construction sites. Working with your advisor they will find an internship that is a good fit for you!

Are co-op experiences available for CEM?

- While not directly through the co-op program at Purdue, fall and spring work opportunities are available!

What were some of the largest construction projects Purdue students worked on?

- Purdue students have worked on an extremely wide range of projects with the largest projects topping multiple billions of dollars on oil and gas projects.

What are some examples of internships that CEM have experienced?

- Look here for a sample of internship experiences! [Link](#)

Do you have to have 3 paid internships?

- While the goal is for all students to have 3 paid internships, it is understood that that is not always possible. There is an internship residency program that allows a student to complete several tasks in order to obtain the credit for the internship.

Does having 3 internships affect a student's graduation date?

- Nope! The three internships are built into the plan of study and do not delay graduation date. Majority of our students graduate in 4 years.

Are specific internships competitive? What if multiple people want to get into a specific internship?

- The CEM advisor works with each individual student to make a list of companies that fit their specific interests. The student then interviews with the company and ultimately it is up to the company who is hired. However, your advisor is with you each step of the way and even if one company doesn't work out will work to find another company. In general it is a collaborative atmosphere between students, not competitive.