

Mikey Klemann

Hometown: West suburbs of Indianapolis, IN

Co-Op Term: 5-Term Co-Op (5/5)

Company: Sun Chemical

Location: Muskegon, MI and Toledo, OH

AIChE position (2022-2023): Internal Vice President



Why did you decide to participate in the Co-Op program?

I had learned of the co-op program my junior year in high school. What attracted me to join was the exposure I would have to industry and how it would open up more doors for me by the time I'd graduate. I am already seeing the benefits of having this experience when it comes to networking.

What sort of work have you done with your company?

The work I do for central engineering is manage capital projects for Sun facilities nationwide. To put it simply, I help design solutions, gather costs with third party contractors, approve budgets, schedule construction, and instigate start-ups.

What is your favorite part of being a co-op student?

My favorite part of being a co-op student is feeling equal to established professionals in my discipline. There are plenty of moments through my days where my experience and independent decision making helps move a project forward and I do not just feel like an intern following steps that my supervisor gave me.

What advice do you have for students thinking of participating in the Co-Op program?

My advice to any students seeking co-op is to be very vigilant in finding a company with a great history with co-ops and interesting work. It's an important decision, especially since they will be spending significant time in this role