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Protect Purdue

All of the info and resources you may need can be found at [https://protect.purdue.edu/](https://protect.purdue.edu/)

Job Corner with Ms. Whelton, PE

I hope everyone enjoyed the reading day! As we approach the end of the spring semester, many of you are getting job offers. Here's a good article I found to get you started: [https://www.kalzumeus.com/2012/01/23/salary-negotiation/](https://www.kalzumeus.com/2012/01/23/salary-negotiation/)

There are also resources through the CCO on job offers and negotiations: [https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/JobOffersandNegotiation](https://www.cco.purdue.edu/Students/JobOffersandNegotiation)  Remember if you have questions on negotiation or anything else job related, just contact me! I can help you evaluate job offers, revise your resume, and more.

Are you interested in sustainability positions? I am including an article by a friend of EEE, Jarami Bond, with tips on obtaining an entry-level sustainability job (not an easy feat), they are also great tips for anyone looking for job opportunities especially in the environmental arena. [https://www.greenbiz.com/article/3-secrets-scoring-entry-level-sustainability-job](https://www.greenbiz.com/article/3-secrets-scoring-entry-level-sustainability-job)

If you don’t have a summer job opportunity there is still plenty of time! I have been sending emails with opportunities this year. Also, take advantage of the lunches with professionals this semester on Tuesdays if you are available! I send an email every week with a paragraph or two on the background of the professional. We have some great people coming up—VPs of big consulting firms and owners of environmental companies. I know at least one will be coming with full-time and internship opportunities. This week we have someone whose career has been in pulp and paper and he is coming with contacts for job opportunities. These lunches are a great way to network about job opportunities and get your resume out there.

The CCO is a great place to find both full-time and internship related opportunities. I don’t post their opportunities. If you don’t have a CCO account or haven’t looked at it this semester, please go here: [https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO](https://www.cco.purdue.edu/#myCCO)  They have significantly changed how their website looks and how you search for opportunities this semester. The jobs tab of LinkedIn is another great way to look for jobs or even using general job search engines. Don’t forget that research counts as relevant experience!

EEE Travel or Fee Assistance Request Opportunity *

Looking for a funding opportunity to assist with costs associated with your Study Abroad, Global Experience, Service-Learning Project, Conference, etc. that you will attend - virtual or in-person? Students seeking monetary assistance with tuition, fees, travel, or related expenses associated with studying abroad, doing/presenting research or other educational activities including travel should use this form to validate their need for such support. Applicants should have an initial discussion concerning the intended program with Tammi Thayer. **Applications are due 5 pm on March 15, 2021, to Dr. Nina Robinson, EEE Administrative Director. Send to nirobins@purdue.edu. Application attached.**
Deadlines Extended for Spring 2021: Withdrawal & P/N Clarification

Clarification on dropping spring courses and P/NP for EEE students -

1. Faculty senators extended the drop deadline for full-term courses from March 22 to April 30. The result will be either W or WF as determined by the instructor, and will be a permanent record on the transcript. Neither W or WF impacts GPA. [Updated How to Drop instructions]

2. Faculty senators also extended the deadline to switch from letter grade to P/N to April 30, but ALL established regulations and requirements regarding the use of P/NP to meet degrees, admission requirements, and pre-requisite requirements remain the same. Per EEE policy, a Spring 2021 “P” will not satisfy any EEE requirement - core, EEE Sel, TE, GE, free elective, etc. Thus, this extension is expected to have minimal impact on Engineering as most programs do not accept P/N grades. The standard EEE policy requires courses must be taken for a letter grade to contribute to the BSEE. See [Policy on Letter Grades and Pass/No Pass use]

Academic Success Center Job Opportunity*

The Academic Success Center is beginning their hiring process for the 2021-2022 student leader positions. This is a paid student leadership and peer educator position. This year there is a very large graduating class of student leaders so they will be filling a record number of openings for Peer Success Coaches, SI Leaders, and Student Office Assistants.

The hiring guide is attached at the end of the newsletter and provides an overview of the positions, each position’s hiring timeline, and the ASC. There is also an attached flyer about drop-in, grab-and-go Open House that serves as an opportunity for students to ask questions about the positions, process, or ASC. The open house is from 2-4 pm on February 22nd at Wiley Hall, C215. Virtual information sessions about becoming an SI leader for Fall 2021 will be held through zoom on February 23rd from 7-8 and February 25th, 8-9. Info on registration can be found attached at the end of the newsletter.

Purdue Writing Lab

The Purdue Writing Lab is always a valuable resource for Purdue students to improve their writing skills. Monday-Thursday the lab has been hosting English Conversation Groups. If you are a Purdue Student whose first language is not English, the Writing Lab’s conversation groups are a terrific way to improve your fluency and expand your vocabulary. For more info on English conversation, groups click [here](#). The Writing Lab is also always open for writing consultations Monday-Friday from 9:00 am- 9:00 pm. For more information on how to sign up for consultations click [here](#).

INAFSM Greg Main Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Indiana Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management (INAFSM) will grant a $1,500 scholarship to a full-time college junior or senior currently enrolled in an undergraduate program related to floodplain/stormwater management, or a student enrolled in a graduate program in a field related to floodplain/stormwater management. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited university in the state of Indiana and be a US citizen. Application forms may be found at [https://www.inafsm.net/college-scholarships](https://www.inafsm.net/college-scholarships). Selection preference will be given to those applicants who demonstrate a history of civic or volunteer service, as well as a financial need (i.e. full-time students responsible for their tuition), in addition to meeting the basic qualifications. To be considered, the Scholarship Review Committee must receive the Scholarship Application Form, essay, and a separate reference letter. The application is due [April 1st](#) and the corresponding reference letter must be received by [April 23rd](#).

The Tyler Trent Courage and Resilience Award

The Tyler Trent Courage and Resilience Award is now accepting applications. Any Purdue undergraduate student at the West Lafayette campus is eligible to apply and to receive the award. This scholarship will be awarded to students who have encountered serious physical or similarly daunting adversity in their pursuit of higher education. Previous Tyler Trent Award recipients were Sean English (Exploratory Studies and Liberal Arts) and Kamryn Dehn (Agriculture and Liberal Arts). Information and application are available online: [https://www.honors.purdue.edu/current-students/trentaward/index.php](https://www.honors.purdue.edu/current-students/trentaward/index.php). The Tyler Trent Award application deadline is [*February 19, 2021*](#).
**Task Human**

The Health and wellness of our students, staff, and faculty is important to the College of Engineering. So in addition to the suite of Purdue wellness programs already available to campus members, the College of Engineering has partnered with TaskHuman to provide unlimited, FREE access to live 1-on-1 wellness providers and support systems. This program was piloted in ECE throughout the Fall 2020 semester and was so successful, the College wants to make it available college-wide at NO COST to students, staff, and faculty. This resource is FREE only to College of Engineering students, staff, and faculty, and requires a special promo code to use when setting up the app.

**Instructions for TaskHuman access**

- Download TaskHuman from the App Store or Google Play Store
- Create an account
- Go to Settings and tap on “Check for discounts”
- Enter discount code: purdue63

TaskHuman is a mobile app that offers 1-on-1 live support from wellness coaches in all areas of your daily life, such as:

- Time & Study Management
- Life Transitions
- Mindfulness
- Clean Eating
- Managing Stress
- Personal Relationships
- And Hundreds More!

Have questions or don’t see a service you want/need? Visit the College’s TaskHuman information page.

**Summer Research Program: Sustainability of Civil Infrastructure**

Within the United States, rural areas provide unique resources such as the infrastructure for food and bioenergy production as well as the transportation infrastructure from inland urban centers to ports. Despite this, little attention is paid to the unique challenges and opportunities these areas face concerning building and maintaining civil infrastructure. In this ten-week summer research program (REU), students will work with faculty and graduate students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln to improve their understanding of how best to address the challenges facing rural environments. Applications are due March 1st and the program will run from May 30th-August 5th. For more information and to apply click [here](#). Flyer attached. Questions should be directed to Christine Wittich at cwittich@unl.edu.

**Research Pitch Competition**

The Undergraduate Research Society of Purdue is hosting a research pitch competition this march in collaboration with the Office of Undergraduate Research. Submissions are due by 2/28. The pitch competition is open to any currently enrolled Purdue undergraduates involved in research or a creative endeavor in any major and discipline. To enter upload a three-minute research pitch to Youtube by 2/28, and then the top ten submissions will be selected through a panel of judges and social media engagement to compete in the live competition on March 24th. Visit [bit.ly/ourpitchcomp](#) for more details on how to enter, and please email ugrsp@purdue.edu with any questions.
Environmental and Ecological Engineering
Travel Assistance Request Form: Study Abroad, Global Experience, Service-Learning Project, Conference, etc.

Students seeking monetary assistance with tuition, fees, travel or related expenses associated with studying abroad, doing/presenting research or other educational activities including travel should use this form to validate their need for such support. Applicants should have an initial discussion concerning the intended program with the EEE Associate Director of Advising. Applications are due to the EEE Administrative Director by relevant deadline.

Application Deadlines: October 30 for support of winter or spring term experiences
                      March 15 for support of summer or fall term experiences

Basic information:
Name, PUID ________________________________
Semester/Dates of travel ________________________________
Location/Program/Conference Name ________________________________
Number of credits to complete (if applicable) ________________________________
Specific course equivalencies (list) ________________________________
Name all faculty sponsors (if applicable) ________________________________

Personal Statement: On a separate sheet in 500 words or less, describe the planned experience and how it will help you to grow as an individual and future professional, as well as any benefits to clients or community groups. Include relevant details on how funding could eliminate financial obstacles to your participation.

If the experience is not a course-based program (study abroad), answer each of the following in your statement and have the lead/supporting faculty member or instructor indicate approval with a signature.
1. Describe the project or area to be studied. What are the main questions of study?
2. Describe your learning objectives and goals? What do you hope to accomplish through the experience?
3. Describe how you will show you have met your learning objectives—what products, reports, or other deliverables will you produce to show that you have met the objectives?
4. Describe how your project relates to EEE, to material covered in other EEE courses, and/or to your professional goals.
5. If credit for a course will be given, state how you intend to use this credit toward EEE degree requirements.

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List other funding sources being pursued: ________________________________________________________

Have you received previous funding from EEE:
☐ No
☐ Yes For what? Amount? ____________________________________________

If EEE agrees to provide support, you will be required to provide a “deliverable” to EEE. Indicate below how you wish to meet this requirement.
☐ Presentation to EEE 29000 Intro to EEE Seminar ☐ Poster for display
☐ Presentation to EEE affiliated student organization ☐ Report
☐ EEE volunteer hours upon return to campus (~10hrs) ☐ Other _________
☐ Write student spotlight to be featured on EEE webpage
Interested in on-campus jobs? The ASC is hiring!

Come learn more about the following positions:

- Peer Success Coach
- SI Leader
- Student Office Assistant

February 22nd
2-4 pm
Wiley Hall, C215

Meet the supervisors and grab some free coffee and insomnia cookies!

To see the requirements for each position, please visit: www.purdue.edu/asc
APPLY TO BE A PEER SUCCESS COACH!

Coach your peers to meet their academic, personal, and social goals at Purdue!

APPLY BY

MARCH 10, 2021 AT NOON

Must have 3.0 GPA
Compensation starting at $9.75/hour
Learn more at Purdue.edu/PSC
Interested in becoming an SI Leader for Fall 2021?

Learn more about the role, how to apply, and hear from current SI Leaders!

Use the QR code below to register for any of the following interest sessions:

- Tuesday, February 18th from 6:00-7:00 pm
- Tuesday, February 23rd from 7:00-8:00 pm
- Thursday, February 25th from 8:00-9:00 pm

Registration is required
All Interest Sessions will be held via Zoom
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Who Should Apply?
- Must be US Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Current undergraduate with at least one semester of coursework remaining before obtaining BS
- We encourage applications from all undergraduate students including freshman and sophomores
- Students majoring in related fields: civil engineering; environmental engineering; physics; mathematics; natural sciences

Benefits
- Competitive stipend: $6,000
- Double-occupancy room and meal plan
- Travel expenses to and from Lincoln
- Campus parking and/or bus pass
- Full access to the Campus Recreation Center and campus library system
- Wireless internet access
- Social and professional development events

Application Deadlines
- November 15 - Application opens
- February 1 – Priority Deadline
- March 1 – Application closes
- April 1 – Decisions complete
- Program dates: May 30 – August 5

For More Information
Contact the program coordinator: Christine Wittich, Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, 402-472-1915, cwittich@unl.edu

For more information and to access the on-line application
www.unl.edu/summerprogram/civil
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