Graduate School

Will EEE have a graduate program in Fall 2015?
The EEE graduate program was approved in August of 2015 and there are procedures in place to accept transfer students from other graduate programs at Purdue and from the Environmental Science and Engineering (ESE) program. Non Purdue students will first be admitted for Fall 2016.

What’s the deal with everyone pushing graduate school instead of industry careers?
Ok, there are a lot of ways to answer this question.
Part 1: First, there is certainly the case of “selection-bias”, which is a fancy way to say that many of the people you meet at the university went to graduate school. It’s part of a collective experiences, and most of them really liked graduate school. Graduate school, in general, is completely different from the undergraduate experiences in a positive way.
Part 2: Believe it or not, historically, graduate school does not get strongly promoted to undergraduates (in contrast, every university holds multiple industrial job fairs annually). The main objective is to make students aware of opportunities available to them.
Part 3: Most outcomes of graduate school are an industry job at a higher pay or in a research or leadership track. It is actually a rare outcome that graduate school leads to a faculty or education career. This choice shouldn’t be seen as an industry-graduate school dichotomy.
Part 4: 40% of the workforce professionals in Environmental Engineering have advanced degrees.

The EEE professional development classes (290, 390) strongly emphasize graduate school but do not talk as much about those of us who want to go into industry/consulting or how to approach that!
390 is all invited speakers, mostly from industry, right? So, these would be good people to ask their opinions on “not-graduate-school” except, that most of the 390 speakers (even the consultants and people working in industry) have advanced degrees.

How many people go to grad school?
A lot. From EEE, ~25% of our graduates.

How necessary is it to go to grad school?
Not necessary at all, many companies may encourage/sponsor a master’s degree. You get credit for a graduate degree in terms of years of service toward PE license. Having graduate credentials may open doors within an organization when it comes to promotion and leadership roles in the company.

Where have people gone to graduate school in the past?
EEE students have been accepted into Arizona State, UC-Berkeley, University of Colorado, Stanford, Montana State, Northwestern, University of Wisconsin, Ohio State, Purdue, University of Nebraska, and probably some other places too. EEE undergrads should be competitive to go to grad schools across the spectrum of the US-News top 30.

Of EEEs who went to graduate school, where are they currently working?
The EEE program is only in its 3rd year, so many students are still in grad school (PhD track). One is working for the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) in Colorado.

What are some of the graduate options at Purdue?
The EEE graduate program is an option along with the interdisciplinary Ecological Sciences and Engineering program. EEE would also encourage students to apply to some other schools.

FE Exam Review Sessions

- Have you thought about being a professionally licensed engineer? Have you thought about taking the FE Exam? Are you scared about what will be on the exam and how to study for it? Well, worry no more! Come to the FE Review sessions, organized by PSPE and Chi Epsilon, and get your preparation started. For more information visit https://engineering.purdue.edu/~xe/FE%20Review.html

Research Roundtable*

- Do you picture research in your future? Well, you’re at the right university! Designed to connect undergraduate students with a plethora of exciting research projects, the Purdue Research Roundtable brings together a multitude of groups and programs currently in progress at Purdue. Researchers and program staff will be there to talk with you about available research internships and jobs. If you are looking to get involved with a research project, whether for tech elective credit, a summer fellowship, or internship, come to the Roundtable, and see what's available for you.
- November 10th from 9:00AM-4:00PM in PMU Ballroom

International Education Week*

- The College of Engineering IEW 2015 kickoff event will be on Monday, Nov 16th from 11am-3pm in the ARMS Atrium. We will have various units displaying their global engineering projects and there will be opportunities to share your international experiences and enjoy free snacks from around the globe. Attached you will find the full list of IEW programs and activities. Students, faculty and staff members are encouraged to engage in some/all the related events, especially the IEW Video competition detailed below.

International Education Week: Study Abroad Video Contest *

- As part celebrating international education week, CoE is organizing a “my study abroad video contest”.
- Contest is open to all current engineering students:
  - Category 1: International or exchange students on campus
  - Category 2: Domestic students who have/are studying abroad
- Submit a 30-60 sec video reflecting how your study abroad experience impacted your life by midnight(EST) on Wednesday Nov. 18, 2015 by posting to Facebook, Twitter or Instagram with the hashtags: #IEW2015 #GlobalMakers Winner of each category will receive a $50 Amazon Gift Card!

ReNEWW House Tour with Purdue Air and Waste Management Association

- Purdue Air and Waste Management Association, PAWMA, is hosting a ReNEWW House Tour on Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00 PM. The ReNEWW house is a net zero home located at 545 Hayes Street, West Lafayette. Join us for an exciting tour that will cover the sustainability initiatives Whirlpool is taking right here in our community.
- The link to RSVP is: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1VnRt7rofdHu7Wqytbgj0hum0w_SnQ9yF8w77R8J8Y/viewform?usp=send_form.
- Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 10th.
Center for Career Opportunities (CCO)*

- CCO offers many services to current students and alumni to aid with career planning, resume review, job/internship searches, preparing for interviews as well as preparing for graduate school applications. Drop-in hours are M-F 10am-4pm in Young Hall, Rm 132.
- Pre-Professional Advising has joined the CCO. Students now check-in for their PPA appointments in Young Hall, Rm 132. Please take note for future reference.
- Make use of CCO’s great resources - Create a myCCO account today. You can upload your resume and use CCO resources for job searches. Don’t forget to “opt-in” to the resume book so that employers can view your resume.
- For those with a myCCO account, did you realize that if you do not log into myCCO for 6+ months, that your account becomes inactive. Check your account.
- You may sign up to receive the CCO Inside Track newsletter (attached) direct via your myCCO account.
- **UPCOMING EVENTS: Global Maker Fair Nov 18th, 10AM STEW 214 and 218**
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**Research Subjects:**
(Not limited to)
- Human Centered Design
- Computer Graphics
- Product Lifestyle
- Microstructure Testing
- Energetic Materials
- Robotics
- Information Security
- Circuits & Systems
- Visualization
- Aviation
- Energy
- Medical Devices
- INSPIRE

**Colleges Recruiting:**
- College of Engineering
- Purdue Polytechnic Institute
- College of Science
- College of Agriculture

**Years Recruited:**
- Freshmen
- Sophomores
- Juniors
- Seniors
- Graduates
International Education Week

November 16-20th, 2015

International Education Week is a celebration of the benefits of international educational and exchange worldwide

Monday, November 16

11:00-3:00pm  Global Engineering Project Expo, Kurtz Atrium of ARMS Hall
Various engineering units will display global engineering focused project work. Share your International experience and explore free snacks from around the globe. Popcorn, language lessons and international activities will also be available.

6:00-7:30pm  Information Fair on Short-Term Study Abroad Opportunities for summer 2016, ARMS 1010

Tuesday, November 17

5:00-8:00pm  GEARE Skip-a-meal, Potbelly Sandwich Shop (117 Northwestern Ave)
Retuned GEARE students will share their experiences and answer questions about studying and working overseas. Proceeds from food sales will support students pursuing global professional practice activities.

Wednesday, November 18

10:00-3:00pm  Global Maker Fair, STEW
Opportunity to build relationships and find a position that puts your language and technical skills to use

6:00-7:00pm  ECE Graduate Student Panel Discussion, ARMS 1010
Student will discuss their Undergraduate Engineering Education Experiences

11:59pm  My Study Abroad Video Contest Submissions Due

Thursday, November 19

11:00-1:00pm  Global Competency Development Workshop, PTR 234 (FU Room)
Workshop for faculty and instructional staff on developing global competency

6:00-8:00pm  Global Trivia Night, Stacked Pickle, Suite 1700 in WANG Hall
Individuals or teams can compete for gift cards and free meals to the Stacked Pickle. Top prize is $50!

Friday, November 20

5:00pm  My Study Abroad Video Contest Winners Announced
International Education Week

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Video responses should reflect how your study abroad experience impacted your life

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One winner in each category will receive a $50 AMAZON GIFT CARD
Looking for a position to put your language and technical skills to use? The Global Maker Fair and Networking Reception is your opportunity to build relationships and find a position that puts your language and technical skills to use.

The Networking Reception is on November 17th from 6-8pm and the Global Maker Fair is on November 18th 10-3pm.

“We regret to inform you..” are 5 words nobody ever wants to see as they excitedly open an e-mail from a prospective employer. Whether it was your dream job or not, rejection hurts. While it’s common to be upset and feel a loss of self-confidence, bouncing back from rejection more confident than before IS possible– even if it might not happen overnight.

See purduecco.wordpress.com for the Recover from Rejection: Mulan Style blog post.

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There is a pre-event banquet on November 9th. The Roundtable will be held on November 10th in the South PMU Ballroom from 9:00am - 4:00pm, split into two sessions (9:00-12:15pm & 12:15-4:00pm).

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Acing the Interview
Nov. 3rd | 5:30PM | SC G030

Global Maker Fair- Networking Session
Nov. 17th | 6:00PM | Prusiecki Room, Dauch Alumni Center

Global Maker Fair
Nov. 18th | 10:00AM | STEW 214 ABCD & 218 ABCD

School of Nursing Career Fair
Dec. 3rd | 11:30AM | PMU North Ballroom

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