

**College of Engineering** 

BUILD A BETTER SUMMER

# ONE-CREDIT CIVIL ENGINEERING COURSE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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### PROJECT SUMMARY

The Lyles School of Civil Engineering in partnership with Purdue's Think Summer Program, Summer College for High School Students, developed a one-week, one-credit civil engineering summer course.

Course provides longer-term engineering experiences and a for-credit option for high school students interested in civil engineering

# PROJECT DETAILS

Pandemic → Online course, *Resiliency & Sustainability in Civil Engineering: Not Just Buzzwords*, Summer 2020

Course Development Process

- Instructor Selection (PhD students)
- Marketing and Promotion
- Enrollment
- Course Design
- Brightspace LMS
- Daily Virtual Tours of Campus Landmarks
- Presentations from Admissions and Engineering
- Team Project Presentations

# PROJECT IMPACT

- 18 Students Across Five Time Zones
- 3 Instructors + Course Coordinator
- Team Projects presented to: Instructors, Faculty, Staff, and Graduate Students
- Visited: Bell Tower, Engineering Fountain, Armstrong
   Statue, and Civil Engineering laboratories



#### Student Feedback

84% Agree - Course increased their interest in this field of study

**Recommend to a friend?** – "Absolutely. This course was not only very educational, but very fun as well. I enjoyed my time with my class mates and instructors. I am honestly sad that we were only together for a week."

#### FUTURE PLANS

After 2020 course, paused and concluded → Create Recurring Summer Civil Engineering Course for High School students

Summer 2021 Course in motion

- Title: Developing Infrastructure for Tomorrow: An Introduction to Civil Engineering
- Date: July 11-16, 2021

Create sustainable sponsorship of program to expand and provide more opportunities