Construction on the CEC is nearing completion

As construction wraps up on the new Collaborate Energy Complex (CEC), the department of Petroleum Engineering is looking forward to the CEC dedication ceremony and our upcoming Industry Advisory Council (IAC) meeting on October 13-14th, 2016. The department is preparing to move offices later this fall semester and hopes to welcome students into the new classrooms this coming spring.

Petroleum Engineering Economy & Law Lecture

The department had a special guest lecturer for the Petroleum Engineering Economy and Law course. Dr. Emeka Duruigbo, Professor of Energy & Business Law at Texas Southern University in Houston, visited campus to give a two day short course on Petroleum Engineering Law.

Enrollment Statistics

Undergraduate Students: (Fall 2016 final count): 253
Distance students: 68
On-campus: 185

Graduate students (Fall 2016): 14
Upcoming graduates (December 2016): 15 applications
UND Society of Petroleum Engineers President, Ross Skillman, visits China

UND’s Society of Petroleum Engineer’s student chapter President, Ross Skillman, attended the Petro-Gathering: China International Student Petroleum Forum in at the University of Petroleum (East China) in Quingdao, China.

During his stay in China, he had the opportunity to meet with China University of Petroleum’s Deputy Director of International Programs, Ms. Wu Kehua.

“My trip to China was an incredible experience that I will never forget! I am very grateful to the China University of Petroleum and the University of North Dakota Petroleum Engineering Department for my selection and sponsorship for participation in the China International Petroleum Student Forum. “ - Ross Skillman

Intercollegiate Academic Award

Congratulations to both Alan Alexeyev and Lingyun Kong on receiving the Fall 2016 Intercollegiate Academics Award from the VP of Research Office. As graduate students in Petroleum Engineering, this award will support the students’ travel to conferences where they will have the opportunity to share and learn more in their areas of research. Alan and Lingyun— Great job on your achievements, keep up the excellent work!

Youth Science & Engineering Camp

Middle to High school students visited UND campus and had the opportunity to explore different areas of engineering. During the petroleum engineering workshop, the students were engaged in a hands-on activity to learn about the exploration of oil. They were given various maps to help locate the oil reservoirs and then “drilled” to try and strike oil within their fields. The hands-on activity included fundamental concepts of basic petroleum topics. The students had to track drilling expenses and calculate their net profit.

The students were excited to learn about petroleum and had many great questions. There are definitely bright future petroleum engineers in the pipeline!

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Featured Article: UND Petroleum Engineering: Fueling the Demand of North Dakota's Oil and Gas Industry

The Department of Petroleum Engineering would like to thank Jeff Kummer for writing a great article on the program. The full article is available on the UND Petroleum website.

Upcoming Events

- September 27, UND Engineering Career Fair
- October 5, SPE Meeting, Guests from College Station, TX
- October 13-14, Petroleum Engineering Industry Advisory Council Meeting
- October 14, CEC Dedication Ceremony
- October 21, SPE Volunteer Activity: Clean the Ralph