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Calendar

APR 1-5 – [Free parking in all student lots](#)

APR 12, Fri – [Contractor's Night](#), CH2M-HILL Alumni Center, 6pm.

APR 13, Sat – FE Exam

In the News

OSU AGC Student Chapter Officers planned and executed two, 90 minute hands-on workshops for 30 5th and 6th grade *Talented and Gifted* students, as a part of [OSU Winter Wonderings](#) on March 2.

[Sound Geotechnical Research to Practice](#), ASCE Geotechnical Special Publication No. 230, edited by [Armin W. Stuedlein](#) and Barry R. Christopher, honors Robert D. Holtz II for his contributions to the geotechnical engineering profession in the areas of soft ground construction, reinforced soils, and fundamental soil behavior. In addition, Dr. Holtz has furthered education in engineering nationally and internationally, and has made a significant impact building connections between industry and the academic community in the Puget Sound region of Washington. This collection contains 39 papers that concentrate on applied geotechnical engineering research and practice in geosynthetics, laboratory testing, ground improvement, and reinforced soil walls, slopes, and embankments. Seventeen papers are reprints of works authored or co-authored by Dr. Holtz, and 22 invited papers were contributed by colleagues from around the world.

Seminars

APR 2, Tues - **Structures** Faculty Candidate Presentation, 11am, 311 Kearney Library. All are invited to attend.

APR 2, Tues – "[Geosynthetic Reinforced Soil Structures for Transportation in Japan: Recent Developments, Earthquakes, Floods and Restoration](#)," presented by Prof. Fumio Tatsuoka (Tokyo University of Science). 312 Kearney Hall, 4pm.

APR 8, Mon - **Structures** Faculty Candidate Presentation, 11am, 311 Kearney Library. All are invited to attend.

APR 11, Thurs - **Structures** Faculty Candidate Presentation, 11am, 311 Kearney Library. All are invited to attend.

Opportunities

APR 5, Fri – **National Instruments LabVIEW Campus Tour**, located between Milam and Gilkey Hall. See demonstrations of the latest technologies for students, educators and researchers. Stop by the bus from 9 am–3 pm to network with LabVIEW experts and get some free stuff.

Review Sessions - Civil Engineering Discipline specific review sessions for the upcoming April 13 FE Exam will be held in Kearney 212. 'TBD' will be determined from among materials, hydraulics, concrete design, and environmental as faculty time permits. A nominal \$1 charge per session is assessed for Chi Epsilon fundraising. If you bought a Civil Specific Review book, bring it and attend free of charge. Dates and time

as follows;

April 2: 7-8pm Construction Management (Fradella)

April 2: 8-9pm TBD

April 4: 7-8pm Structural Analysis (Scott)

April 4: 8-9pm TBD

April 9: 7-8pm Geotech (Evans)

April 9: 8-9pm Transportation (Bell)

April 11: 7-8pm Steel Design (Miller)

April 11: 8-9pm Surveying (Olsen)

FE Exam Review books are still on sale in Dr. Scott's office (346 Owen). It's not too late to study for the April 13 FE Exam. \$70 for a general review book and \$60 for a Civil specific review book. Cash, check, or PayPal accepted.

Peer Mentors for CE 202. Looking for a fun, part-time job for Spring Quarter? We are looking for peer mentors for CE202: Geographic Information Sciences (GIS) course on Tuesdays and Thursdays (12-1:20pm or 2-3:20 pm) in Spring Quarter. These positions will be approximately 10-15 hours per week. Please contact [Tracy Arras](#) or [Dr. Michael Olsen](#) ASAP if you are interested. You must have taken the course previously and performed well to be considered for this exciting opportunity!

[Undergraduate summer research program at Caltech.](#) The project is in collaboration with NASA/JPL on testing and modeling extraterrestrial soils. Basic programming skills in Matlab, Fortran, or C++ required. Experience in laboratory testing of thermal or mechanical properties of soil is desirable. Two to three students needed. Timespan is two months; 06/10/2013 - 08/09/2013.

Mealbox - is a subsidy to help students dealing with poverty and food insecurity pay for a few meals at vendors on campus every term. \$40-90 is a typical award amount. [Applications online.](#) What else is there? Other services include OSU Emergency Food Pantry, Student Health Insurance Subsidy (Due April 19, 5pm), Graduate Conference Subsidy. Call with questions 541-737-3747.

2013 ASCE Pacific NW Student Conference - April 25-27. [See link here with complete competition descriptions.](#) If you are interested in participating, register in Cindy's office. It is going to be first come first served basis. In addition to signing in for the competition, you are required to sign the *Acknowledgement of Risk and Waiver of Liability* form, read and agree with the *Attendee Behavior Agreement* AND you are expected to attend the Student-Professional Roundtable discussion and the Banquet. Contact [Kristina Milaj](#) if you have questions. Let's all do our best to make our university and ourselves proud in each competition! You'll get a cool-looking, long sleeved t-shirt, free meals and a chance to have a fun time competing against students from across the Pacific Northwest.

MESA Day is a celebration of students' innovation, hard work, and interest in science, technology, engineering, and math. MESA Day provides a fun and exciting opportunity for over 250 diverse 6th-12th grade students to design and build projects, compete against their peers, and learn by doing. [Register here to volunteer](#) on Friday, May 10, 2013 at Portland State University.

Student Groups

APR 2, Tues - Contractor's Night mandatory meeting for all students attending, 4:30pm, 112 Kearney. See Lauren Farmen in Kearney 101F if you will be unable to attend this meeting; one alternative date will be set. Contractor's Night is Friday, April 12. Student sign-up sheet is available in 101 Kearney.

APR 3, Wed - AGC Student Chapter of OSU officer applications are due by 5pm; turn in to 101F Kearney. Don't miss your opportunity to serve!

APR 11, Thurs – **AGC Speaker Meeting**, J.R. Abbott, 311 Kearney Hall Library, 6pm. Bring your resume to Kearney 101F by April 8 to sign-up for an on-site interview for project engineer and a summer intern positions.

Jobs

[Assistant Construction Engineer Intern](#) – West Coast Contractors. We are offering \$11-15 per hour DOE, plus subsistence/travel pay when on site at a project location. We request that any interested applicants please send me their resume at this email address. We would like to try to start interviewing applicants next week if we get enough interest.

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Project Managers (3) - [Alliance Industrial Group, Inc.](#), a union steel erection company and Alpha Iron, LLC (a division of Alliance Industrial Group, Inc) a steel fabricator, is based in Vancouver, WA. We do roughly \$25-30 million dollars in sales. We currently employ 3 OSU graduates and would like to increase that number. Students interested in full-time positions with AI Steel should contact Lisa Buchan at lisab@asteel.us.

Field Engineer - Kerr Contractors, an Oregon heavy civil contractor has a current opening for a fulltime Field Engineer. Candidates must have, as a minimum, a BS in Construction Engineering Management. Kerr Contractors works throughout the PNW on heavy civil construction including grading, paving and underground utilities. Job duties for this position include project estimating, job cost analysis, scheduling and project administration. Candidates will work directly with project managers, estimators, field personnel and subcontractors. Activities will include quantity surveys, job cost tracking and change order requests, scheduling and project documentation. KCI is looking for aggressive and self-motivated individuals who come aboard to contribute and make a difference. To schedule an interview for Wed, April 16, bring your resume to Kearney 101F.

Summer Internships - Kerr Contractors, Inc. (KCI) works in the Portland metro area and throughout Oregon on heavy civil construction including grading, paving and underground utilities. Job duties will be assigned depending upon experience to provide the individual the greatest exposure to a variety of construction methods, practices and technology. KCI is looking for aggressive and self-motivated individuals who come aboard to contribute and make a difference. Equal opportunity employer. To schedule an interview for Wed, April 16 bring your resume to Kearney 101F.

Summer Intern - Ketchum Enterprises is a small firm and needs an intern to assist with school projects for the Ridgefield School District located in Ridgefield WA, just north of Vancouver. Project completion is scheduled for August 2014. There will be 2 elementary schools and new classrooms, gym and multipurpose room at the existing High School. The position may continue through to completion of the project depending on need. Because of the potential schedule the candidate should be graduating and/or graduated in case the position continues for the duration of the project. The project engineer would assist with Off Site Street Improvement (Site visit and field reports, Weekly site meetings, Review and file submittals, Project filing, Assist with daily tasks); School Construction (On site improvement field reviews and field reports, Weekly site meetings; Review and file submittals; Project filing; Assist with daily tasks). Candidate must provide their own transportation, be open to a flexible schedule and need good computer skills. They also should have a good understanding of Civil street and site work and Division 3 through Division 16 work. Submit resumes and cover letters to Lauren Farnen by April 26.

Summer Interns (2) - [Metropolitan Land Group, Project: 45 Central](#). This is a \$100 million master planned development including 220 single family homes and 7 four-story condos with elevators near Nike in Beaverton, OR. All infrastructure has been completed and the vertical construction is underway. Assist project managers and superintendents in construction of the homes and Condo buildings, including subcontractor coordination, RFI's and submittals, drawing and specifications management, inspection coordination, close out manuals. Construction experience preferred, but not required. Applicants should be striving towards a degree in CEM or CE. Pay negotiable based on experience. Reliable transportation is required. If interested, please forward resumes to [Lauren A. Farnen-Schnoor](#)

Apollo Mechanical is interested in hiring for a PE type position(s). We are interested in hiring from the recent graduates graduating Winter Term 2013 or sooner. We will most likely have an additional round at the end of Spring Term as well. Forward resume and cover letter stating why you are a good fit for a mechanical contractor, to [Daniel Webster](#) by EOD April 1 (date extended). Qualified applicants will need to be willing to relocate to the greater Portland area and/or be willing to commute if relocation is undesirable.

Also

- Check out the bulletin boards in both Kearney and Owen Halls. They are filled with current job and internship postings. Take the initiative and gain valuable work experience in the fields of Civil and Construction Engineering. Each posting gives instructions for applying.
- Internship opportunities available with: Stellar J (on-site Thursday, April 18), CSI Construction, Parrish Excavating, West Coast Contractors, Washington River Protection Solutions, Kelly Services, City of Vancouver, OSU Design and Construction, Polk County

Public Works, Cascade Sierra Solutions (CSS), ODOT, Kerr Contractors (on-site Wednesday, April 17)

- For more internships, check out: <http://www.thebeavers.org> ... Click on "Jobs and Internships" to apply directly to companies. Be sure to attach your resume!
- Full-Time opportunities available with: L.R.L Construction Company, Kerr Contractors (on-site Wednesday, April 17), MCRT PNW Construction, Olsson Electric, Stettler Supply, Apollo Mechanical, Leis Company
- Currently accepting resumes for an internship position with Perlo Construction. Bring your resume to Kearney 101F today!
- Currently accepting resumes for a full-time position as a Purchasing Agent with Pulte Group. Bring your resume to Kearney 101F today!
- Currently accepting resumes for a full-time position with Lorentz Bruun. Seeking winter term grads or graduate students. Bring your resume to Kearney 101F today!

Winter Wonderings

OSU AGC Student Chapter Officers planned and executed two, 90 minute hands-on workshops for 30 5th and 6th grade T.A.G. students, as a part of OSU Winter Wonderings on March 2. The officers assisted the students in the construction of a tower using principles of structural design and stages of planning to include, scope, schedule, materials & cost. The students had a fulfilling educational experience that was very fun for all involved!

