Chico State College of Engineering, Computer Science & Construction Management

From the Dean

Earlier this week, it was announced that our California Pavement Preservation Center (CP2C) has been selected to partner on a consortium led by San Jose State's Mineta Transportation Institute and made possible by SB 1 funding. The partnership also includes CSU Long Beach and Fresno State. Chico State is the only university in the group that specializes in pavement preservation and we expect to play a key role in the partnership conducting applied research that provides answers to California's traffic and transportation challenges. Chico State's participation in the partnership would not have been possible without the expertise and support of CP2C Director, Dingxin Cheng, as well as support from the President, Provost, and the CP2C advisory board leadership.

Read more about the partnership from San Jose-area State Senator, Jim Beall, who wrote the SB 1 legislation by clicking here.

From the Associate Dean

As we head toward finals and the end of the semester, we have a couple reminders and deadlines. Student Learning Fee (SLF) Proposals are due Wednesday, December 6, by 5 pm. Coordinate with your Department Chair or Program Director to learn about their priorities. Submit proposals via the online application site.

If you work with graduating seniors, please be aware that it is time for senior surveys. Students will receive an email with a link to take your Senior Survey. Responses are valued greatly, reviewed carefully and important for accredited programs.
DEVELOPMENT

The Dean, Associate Dean and Development Director met with Construction Management Department Chair, Joel Arthur, (incoming) CM Department Chair, Chris Souder, and key members from the College of ECC Industry Advisory Board in Sacramento to discuss a corporate fundraising strategy. Next steps include scheduling meetings with high-level decision makers at several major construction companies identified by the group to share our proposed comprehensive lab revitalization efforts and solicit their support.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

2017 marked the first year Chico State participated in Giving Tuesday, a global initiative that supports 24-hours of fundraising. ECC’s campaign brought in nearly $7,000, plus a matching gift to support the Engineering Student Success Center. We partnered with university advancement and public affairs for this campaign. We also produced a short video to support the message. You can check it out here.

Does your department, student clubs or individual students have activities, competitions or internships planned during intersession? If so, we’d like to hear about it!
Send a quick note to Rachel Simmons, rcsimmons@csuchico.edu

STEM Connections Engineering MESA/MEP

Four Chico State MESA students attended an invitation-only leadership conference in downtown Los Angeles earlier this semester. The students engaged one-on-one and in small groups with executives and recruiters from companies including Disney, Wells Fargo, AT&T and Applied Materials.

Department Feature
Computer Science

Led by Kevin Buffardi, computer science presents the fall 2017 Tech Showcase at 11 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, December 6 in Colusa 100A. Eight interdisciplinary student teams will present their inventions and tech startups to a panel of regional professionals. The group includes 40 ECC students and their collaborators from outside the college. The campus community is invited to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Dec. 6 - Computer Science Tech Showcase
- Dec. 8 - Design Expo @ Colusa 100A 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Dec. 11-15 Study Break