

January 14, 2019

Auburn University is hosting a course in Disaster Recovery Service and needs your help. If you can help in any of the ways listed below, please contact Lauren

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Any help they can get for the students will be greatly appreciated.

Lauren Redden, Assistant Professor with the McWhorter School of Building Science - Auburn University has shared the following information:

Deadlines on the different opportunities which they need help with are listed below--

The opportunity to engage in the classroom would be now through end of February. We have class every Wednesday noon – 12:50pm central time. So between now and Feb 28 on a Wednesday is when I was hoping to have our students engage with a company or two to cover topics related to preparing/planning for hurricanes as well as surveying damage, scopes performed after damage has occurred, etc. I am open to the specific topic covered and can work with companies on topics they would be interested in covering related to disaster relief/recovery.

If anyone is interested in supporting the trip with a donation / financially, the deadline is end of this month (Jan 31). Contact Dara Hosey dara@auburn.edu and Lauren Redden wybenlm@auburn.edu via email if you are interested in supporting students with a financial gift.

The trip is actually occurring March 7-13, so if **one or two companies would host us for a dinner or one company host us on a jobsite tour I would like to have that commitment finalized by Jan 31** (with final details being able to linger until end of Feb).

WHO: Auburn University, McWhorter School of Building Science

WHAT: Spring 2019, Elective Course/ **Disaster Recovery & Service-Learning Trip to aide in Rebuilding the Panhandle**

A course developed to offer our students:

- the opportunity to learn about Disaster Recovery as an area of specialty in the construction industry
- gain hands-on experience by serving those devastated by Hurricane Michael during Spring Break 2019

NUMBER OF STUDENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED: 18 (13 Senior BSCI students + 5 Master of Building Construction students)

HOW CAN YOU BE INVOLVED?

- **Does your company have experience in disaster recovery/rebuilding efforts from natural disasters (Commercial, civil, infrastructure or residential)?** We would love to discuss the opportunity for your company to engage with our students in the classroom.
- **Does your company have any CASE STUDIES to highlight -- major project under construction and the project experienced damage from natural disaster?** We would love to discuss the opportunity for your company to engage with our students in the classroom.
- **Does your company have a presence in the Panama City Beach, FL area?**
 - Invitation to visit your interesting project and tour the jobsite
 - Host us at your office for a meal
- **Does your company want to support our students gaining hands-on service-learning experience?**
 - Sponsor a meal out to treat our group after a long day of physical work
 - Other ideas not mentioned? Reach out to the contact below!

CONTACT:

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Thanks so much,
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