

**Education and Community Outreach Committee
Meeting Agenda
April 18, 2019 – 12 pm Central Time via Zoom**

<https://DesignSafe-ci.zoom.us/j/473271020>

1. Attendance and announcements

Mary Carrillo – University of California, Davis
Patricia Clayton – University of Texas at Austin
Dan Cox – Oregon State University
Kurtis Gurley – University of Florida
Chad Kusko – Lehigh University
Laura Lowes – University of Washington
Matt Schoettler – University of California, Berkeley
Lelli Van Den Einde – University of California, San Diego
Mohammad Khosravi – User Forum, Montana State University
Adda Athanasopoulos-Zekkos – User Forum, University of Michigan
Karina Vielma – ECO/NCO, University of Texas at San Antonio

SimCenter Workshops: Tool training (for graduate students) June 13-14
Programming (C, C++, for grad students and early career faculty) July 22-26
Earthquake Engineering & Uncertainty April 23 @ 2pm (online)
Performance-based Engineering @ 9:30am
OSU New User Workshop – July 30-31 (travel grants available)
Joint UF & RAPID User workshop @ May 23-24
FIU Wall of Wind NHERI Experimental Facility User Workshop – June 14
CGM-NHERI Centrifuge Users' Workshop – May 10

2. NHERI Summer Institute, June 5-7, 2019

- a. Register to attend at <https://www.designsafe-ci.org/learning-center/summer-institute/registration/>
- b. Summer Institute outing
- c. Lesson plans for presentations due May 15
- d. Submit materials for participant binders due May 15
- e. Bios for presenters/site representatives

The Summer Institute is around the corner. All attendees, please register online. The link is not yet available. Karina will email the nheri-eco@designsafe-ci.org list when it becomes available.

The UTSA College of Engineering usually hosts an outing during the Summer Institute. Because of costs, the committee discussed paying for a portion of the cost. A cost of \$10 would not be too burdensome, but the logistics of collecting the money could be, especially since some universities require receipts for reimbursements. It was suggested that there be a commitment from the participants ahead of time in the registration page.

Lesson plans for the Summer Institute presentations are due before May 15th, along with materials and resources for the sites.

Bios will be collected from presenters and site representatives to be included in the binders for all attendees.

It was discussed that the Summer Institute interferes with the final week of class for schools in the quarter system. It was asked that next year's Summer Institute be planned to avoid this busy time for faculty.

3. NHERI REU Summer Program

- a. REU Student Selections
- b. Update on REU student details
 - i. NHERI REU Orientations
 1. Block 1: May 29, 11am-1pm Central Time (link will remain open until 2pm)
 2. Block 2: June 18, 11am-1pm Central Time (link will remain open until 2pm)
 - ii. Travel to UT Austin for Research Symposium
 1. Flights – students receive travel stipend
 2. Accommodations
 3. Meals
 - iii. REU Calendar
- c. Speakers needed for the Career Development presentations/workshops:
 - i. **Resume & Cover Letter – June 24**
 - ii. **Natural Hazards Module – July 1 – UC Boulder**
 - iii. **Educational Outreach – July 8 – UTSA**
 - iv. **Graduate School & the Personal statement – July 15**
 - v. **NHERI career panel – July 23 – All**
- d. Faculty/Graduate Student mentor training

The REU Summer Program has completed student selections. All spots have been filled. Students who were not selected have been notified and encouraged to apply next year.

Orientation schedules are scheduled for the second day after the start of each REU block.

Research presentations will be held at UT Austin. Students will directly receive a stipend to travel to Austin as well as meals. The NCO-ECO will schedule students' accommodations at one of UT Austin's dorms where the REU students will be living for the summer.

The committee reviewed the NHERI REU calendar for the summer. It was also shared as a pdf to the committee.

Speakers and presenters are needed for two workshops—one on June 24th and the other on July 15th. Chad Kusko will get back to Karina about a potential speaker from Lehigh.

The committee was asked whether mentors have been selected for the summer. Most sites had selected their mentors, although not all had been assigned to students. An email will go out requesting contact information from the faculty AND graduate student mentors. They will be added to our mailing lists as well as to the Moodle site.

4. Upcoming ECO Meetings

- a. May – WhenIsGood survey
- b. June 7 – Summer Institute? (3-4pm Central)

The next ECO Committee meetings will take place via Zoom and at the Summer Institute. A WhenIsGood survey will be sent out for our May meeting. For those at the Summer Institute, we will meet between 3-4pm Central times to review the Summer Institute. Those who cannot attend in person will be able to participate remotely.

5. Adjourn

Lelli moves to adjourn the meeting. Laura seconds the motion.