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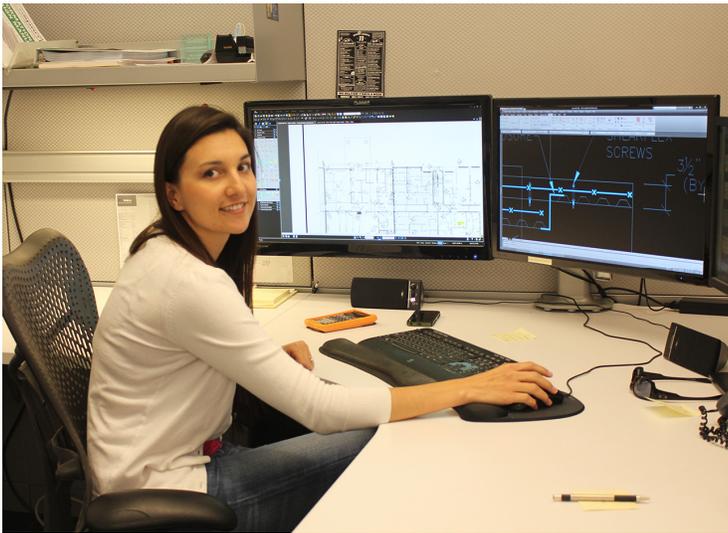
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“500 Engineering Students to Visit Norfolk this Fall”

On Friday, October 9, 2015, more than 500 freshman students from the University of Nebraska College of Engineering will visit the Norfolk community to learn about potential career opportunities in the field of engineering.



Alice Erickson, structural design engineer, works on a project design at Nucor Detailing Center in Norfolk, Nebraska.

Tour organizers Mark Zimmerer, President and CEO of the Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce, and Courtney Dentlinger, Director of the Norfolk Area Economic Development Council, said the purpose of the visit is to ignite excitement for the field of engineering, broaden the scope of the profession, and show students that their chosen career path is in demand.

“We want to spark interest for the career opportunities we have right here in the Norfolk area,” said Dentlinger.

“This is also a great opportunity for us to showcase community amenities, the excellent business climate we enjoy, and the outstanding quality of life we can offer,” Zimmerer added.

Students will arrive in buses that morning from Omaha and Lincoln and will be treated to industry

tours with each student attending at least three tours. A career fair is also being planned to showcase employers that may not be able to participate in the tours.

“We know not all of the businesses in our area will be able to participate by offering tours, whether that be because of facility size or proximity to Norfolk so we want to make sure the opportunity is still given for them to get in front of future potential workforce. This is also a chance for us to share the opportunities that exist throughout the entire northeast region of Nebraska, not just Norfolk,” said Dentlinger.

Northeast Nebraska industries that would like to participate in the October 9 visit in Norfolk may contact the Norfolk Area Economic Development office at 402-844-2260 or email grow@ci.norfolk.ne.us to receive more information.

Industries that employ engineers are also invited to participate in the Wednesday, August 19, 2015 NUBE (New Undergraduates Becoming Engineers) Camp offered by the UNL College of Engineering. This orientation camp will host 200 first-year freshman engineers at Camp Kitaki and engage the students in roundtable discussions while connecting them with established professionals in the industry.

The Nebraska College of Engineering is currently accepting submissions for industry representatives to participate in panel and roundtable discussions at the NUBE Camp. If you employ engineers and are interested in

participating please contact Michael Hoehring, Senior Director for Student Services at the College of Engineering, in his Lincoln office at 402-472-0563 or in his Omaha office at 402-554-4970. All NUBE participation requests must be received by August 1, 2015.

For more information please contact Courtney Dentlinger at 402-844-2262 or Mark Zimmerer at 402-371-4862.