Education and Community Outreach Committee  
January 29, 2024 – 11:00 am Central Time via Zoom  
[https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006](https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006)

**Attendance**  
Scott Brandenburg (University of California Los Angeles, TACC), Lindsay Carol (Oregon State University—HWR), Laura Lowes (University of Washington—RAPID), Matt Schoettler (University of California, Berkeley—SimCenter), Melissa Villareal (University of Colorado, Boulder—CONVERGE), Stephanie Paal (Texas A&M University—User Forum), Lelli Van Den Einde (University of California, San Diego—LHPOST6), Tricia Clayton (Wake Forest University—UT Mobile Shakers), Eric Salna (Florida International University—Wall of Wind), Joe Saunders (Lehigh University—RTMD), Robin Nelson (University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO)

**ECO Updates**

- Approved December Meeting Minutes
- Just a reminder—Hedda Prochaska is happy to revamp facility NHERI DesignSafe websites. Please contact her via Slack or email (hedda@tacc.utexas.edu).
- Wishing you and your family a happy new year!

**NHERI REU Summer Program**

**Important 2024 NHERI REU Summer Program Dates**

- February 9 deadline will be extended to February 25! We will formally announce this on website, etc. on Thursday, February 1.
- April 23, NHERI REU ECO Meet & Greet
- May 31, NHERI REU Mentor Training
- June 3 - August 9 — Block 1
- June 17 – August 23 — Block 2
- August 5 – REU Research Symposium Virtual Practice 8:00 am - 6:00 pm CST.
- August 7 & 10 REU Travel Days
- August 8 - 9 — NHERI REU Research Symposium hosted by UCSD LHPOST6

**Report—**

- (43 total) NHERI DesignSafe applications 36 completed, 99 recorded (15 ineligible); 123 in progress; NSF ETAP—7 complete.
- **January 23 Info Session**: 10 attendees, 10 sign-ups, 54 views
- Extended MSI recruitment list to include all CE faculty and some CS faculty. The list now includes 684 faculty and their rank (Assistant, Associate, Full Professor).

**Next Steps—**

- **ACTION ITEM** Please help us recruit NHERI REU applicants during our final push- Deadline extended until February 25, 2024.
- Working with Marti to launch another NHERI REU campaign to encourage applications for the final push.
- Email expanded recruitment list again and NHERI Network with updated deadline.

**2. NHERI Summer Institute**

**Important 2024 NHERI Summer Institute Dates**

- NHERI Summer Institute Information Sessions: February 13, 5:00 pm CST
- TBD, NHERI Summer Institute Preparation Date (participants will select date)
- Wednesday- Friday, June 12-14, 2023
- NHERI SI representative registration will be sent in January.

**Report—**

- 33 completed applications, 18 recorded, 14 in progress
- **January 9 Info Session**: 10 attendees, 15 sign-ups, 72 views
Updated MSI recruitment list to include names, emails, and titles of all CE and/or CS faculty.

**Next Steps—**
- Who will be your site’s NHERI representative at the Summer Institute?
  - **ACTION ITEM** – Please help us recruit NHERI Summer Institute applicants during our final push!!
- Email recruitment list and NHERI network again.

**NHERI Graduate Student Council**

**Important Dates**
- February 2 - NHERI GSC Executive Committee Meeting @ 11:00 am – 12:00 pm CST
- February 16 - NHERI GSC General Meeting @ 11:00 am - 12:00 pm CST TBD
- February 9 — Research Challenge Kickoff & NHRS Funding Deadline
- May 15 – Natural Hazards Research Summit Session & Booth
- May 31 – NHERI GSC Mini-Conference

**Report— Graduate Student Opportunities**
- Natural Hazards Research Summit Funding: [https://www.designsafe-ci.org/natural-hazards-engineering-research-summit/2024/travel-award/](https://www.designsafe-ci.org/natural-hazards-engineering-research-summit/2024/travel-award/) (deadline- Feb 9)

**Next Steps—**
- Conducting a member campaign currently
- Working on the Research Challenge & setting up the Mini-Conference
- NHERI GSC will have a NHRS Session and NHERI GSC booth- May 15

**Diversity Initiative**

**Important Dates**
- February 26- email updated list of NHERI NSF paid employees for Diversity Survey
- March 1- begin sending out surveys to all NHERI employees.

**Next Steps—**
- **ACTION ITEM** – Send updated NHERI NSF paid employee list to Robin and any suggested changes by February 26.

**New Business**

**Any new business?**
- **ACTION ITEM** – Please complete the When2Meet poll by Friday, February 2, 2024, so we can identify the best date for our February meeting: [http://whenisgood.net/aterxaz](http://whenisgood.net/aterxaz)

**Adjourn**