

Construction Engineering Program

POLICY ON INTERNSHIPS

The Construction Engineering program, one of three ABET accredited programs within the Civil, Environmental, and Construction Engineering department at Texas Tech University, believes that its students benefit greatly from participation in an internship program. The benefits include: better identification of career choices, career-related experience prior to graduation, motivation to learn more from classroom studies after applying theory to practical problems, improved full-time employment opportunities upon graduation, earnings that may be used to finance part of a college education investment, and academic credit for satisfactory completion of the internship.

1. All ConE students are required to complete *at least* the equivalent of three months of full-time work, (480 hours) of an appropriate nature, in order to graduate. The minimum continuous period of internship is the equivalent of 1 ½ months full-time.
2. Previous experience can be credited toward the internship if it is appropriate and can be documented.
3. In order to get credit for the internship, the ConE student must be enrolled in and complete a one credit hour course ConE 4100. Partial requirements to complete these courses include a written report and an oral presentation.
4. The student is responsible to secure their own internship employment opportunity; the Engineering Job Fair in the fall and spring semesters is the most common source of internships; the office will provide guidance when needed.
5. Before a student is allowed to register for ConE 4100, the department must receive a completed job description form and also preferably a performance evaluation form.