



Pictured From Left: Mike Hemsley (EAE), Garner Nance (MSU), Kushal Acharya (MSU), Abhinash Subedi (MSU), Ashley Carey (MSU), Nicki Haines (MSU), Larry Tomkins (EAE), Madeleine Meilstrup (MSU), Leigh Ayers (MSU), Grayson Brown (MSU), Brian Batinick (MSU), Seth Spiers (EAE), Taylor Cagle (MSU), Amanda Hufft (MSU)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions, Inc., (EAE) announced in October of 2015 the establishment of the Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions Student Support Initiative in Construction Materials for the Construction Materials Research Center (CMRC) within the Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) department at Mississippi State University (MSU). In May of 2019, EAE extended and expanded this initiative, which is currently referred to as the Ergon Asphalt & Emulsions Student and Laboratory Support Initiative in Construction Materials and runs through the 2023 calendar year.

This initiative aims to support educational needs of students ranging from undergraduates to doctoral students. The photo above was taken at the conclusion of a June 2019 CMRC meeting and includes several students who had lunch with EAE and others in attendance at the meeting. EAE's support of MSU-CMRC helps to provide opportunities for numerous students across a range of bituminous material, infrastructure, and professional topics.

Isaac L. Howard, CMRC Director and MSU CEE faculty member, said the layout of the support initiative remains ideal for student development. "EAE understands how to support our future workforce," he said. "The initiative is able to serve short term needs, long term needs, undergraduate students, graduate students, and also supports the laboratory spaces where a portion of their learning takes place."

Gaylon Baumgardner, Senior Vice President of EAE said: "We look for opportunities to help mentor students, to make them champions of our industry," Dr. Baumgardner explained: "You feel good seeing people you've helped along the way and we have seen dozens of people enter the pavements workforce through our years of partnering with CMRC."

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