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From: Justice, George
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 11:37 AM
To: Bennett, James C.
Cc: Erwin, Ruth A.
Subject: SOS staff

James,

Until I am convinced NSEI needs additional administrative support, you may no longer pay an SOS staff member. I am happy to meet with you and/or faculty on this issue. But the only reason you were able to hire SOS help was because Redacted was out. Re is back and therefore you are no longer authorized to hire or pay for SOS staff help.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
George Justice

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From: Jones, Brenda J.
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 12:26 PM
To: Justice, George
Cc: Erwin, Ruth A.
Subject: RE: SOS help for the Nuclear Science and Engineering Institute

Certainly.

Brenda Jones

At, Mizzou, we're here for you!



From: Justice, George
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 11:40 AM
To: Jones, Brenda J.
Cc: Erwin, Ruth A.
Subject: SOS help for the Nuclear Science and Engineering Institute

Brenda,

I have let Mr. James Bennett, who is an administrative staff person employed in the Nuclear Science and Engineering Institute, which is one of my units, that he may no longer hire or pay for SOS staff as of today. I am asking that you monitor that situation and not assign SOS staff to the Nuclear Science and Engineering Institute (NSEI) without my direct and expressed approval.

Thanks, and let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
George Justice

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From: Justice, George
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 2:44 PM
To: Banken, Mary Jo (News Bureau)
Subject: "UM Press decision, NSEI déjà vu" - Campus Chatter - ColumbiaTribune.com

What do you think of Janese's latest? This is just dead wrong on NSEI as well as other matters. But Sudarshan agrees!

<http://www.columbiatribune.com/weblogs/campus-chatter/2012/may/25/um-press-decision-nsei-deja-vu/>

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Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 2:53 PM
To: AAUP-MU@PO.MISSOURI.EDU
Subject: University of Missouri Press is closing

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<http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/2012/may/24/university-missouri-press-closing/>

Press closure by university shocks many

UM not required to involve faculty.

<http://www.columbiatribune.com/news/2012/may/25/press-closure-by-university-shocks-many/>

UM Press decision, NSEI déjà vu

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Comment by "realtiger"

Very well stated. Within a few days, wolfe's presidency has suffered a nuclear meltdown. Instead of providing leadership, he has become a follower of the worst in MUs leadership. No adherence to laws, loose the propaganda machine, distort the truth, and ruin the institution.

The administration did not speak the truth regarding NSEI, and it is not speaking it now. If NSEI faculty did not have tenure, they would be gone too. Prof Engel would be long gone too.

What will be closed next, and who will be fired next? Certainly not the long problematical administrators. Expect these to be rewarded handsomely-

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From: Tzou, Robert D.
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 4:09 PM
To: Kiger, Sam A.
Cc: Thompson, James E.
Subject: FW: NEP Opportunities Office of Nuclear Energy Issues NEUP Integrated Research Projects Solicitation

Importance: High

Sam,

The Dean discussed these opportunities with me, see below:

- Advanced Nuclear Cladding and Fuel Materials with Enhanced Accident Tolerance for Current Generation & GEN III+ Light Water Reactors (\$1.17M/yr totaling up to \$3.5M)
- Degradation of Used Nuclear Fuel in Storage (\$1.17M/yr totaling up to \$3.5M)
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and suggested that we form nuclear teams in the College to compete based on the Nuclear Engineering Program we have been working on. I would like to discuss with you Tuesday next week, and see what's the best way to proceed. I do have the list of engineering faculty (29 of them) whose expertise is close to the solicited areas.

The Dean wants to engage Gala (MURR, a grant writer who has helped NSEI for their team proposals) and Shelley to help prepare the team proposals generated from the College. Meanwhile, the Dean will call Rob Duncan to have his support of the role engineering will be playing in response to these opportunities.

I will visit you Tuesday next week. Thank you for helping us strategize our approach.

Bob

From: Jenna M Payne [<mailto:Jenna.Payne@inl.gov>] **On Behalf Of** NUCLEAR ENERGY UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 11:05 AM
Subject: NEP Opportunities Office of Nuclear Energy Issues NEUP Integrated Research Projects Solicitation
Importance: High



U.S. Department of Energy

The Office of Nuclear Energy Issues Call to Universities for Nuclear Energy-Related Integrated Research Project Proposals

The Office of Nuclear Energy (NE) today announced that through its Nuclear Energy University Programs (NEUP) it is now accepting applications from universities interested in conducting nuclear energy-related Integrated Research Projects (IRP).

IRPs represent the program directed component of the NEUP strategy by providing research and development (R&D) solutions that are the most directly relevant to the near-term, significant needs of the NE R&D programs. IRPs complement the other NEUP components, which include Program Supporting and Mission Supporting university-based R&D, University Reactor and Research Equipment Infrastructure Upgrades, and Integrated University Program Student Fellowship and Scholarship Grants.

IRPs are significant, three-year projects that address specific research issues or capability gaps identified and defined by the NE R&D programs, and are intended to develop a capability within each specified area. These projects will be multidisciplinary and require multi-institutional partners.

The following three IRP focus areas are addressed by this fiscal year 2012 Call for Proposals (CFP):

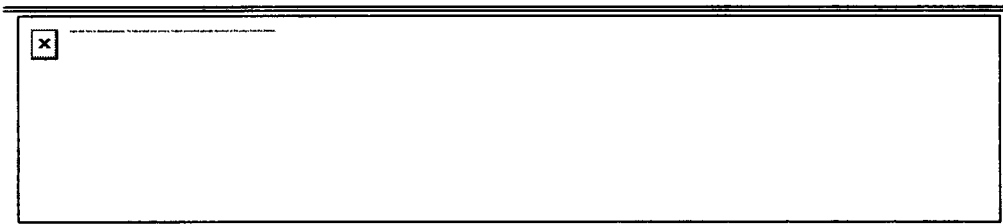
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This CFP includes a set of mandatory requirements and evaluation criteria that will be used to select successful proposals. Applications are due July 9, 2012, and must be submitted using the submittal application at www.neup.gov. NE will likely notify award recipients in September 2012.

To view the solicitation in its entirety, please visit the NEUP website.

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Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 7:15 PM
To: Thompson, James E.
Subject: Capitol Shorts: Nuke Detection: Princeton Lab Excess



May 25, 2012

CAPITOL HILL



SENATE DEFENSE BILL SEEKS HIGH-SKILLED NON-

CITIZENS: The authorization measure approved by the Armed Services Committee expands DARPA's "flexible hiring" capacity. Senators want the Pentagon to look for ways "to access the the pool of talent of non-citizens with advanced scientific and technical degrees" from U.S. institutions, a [press release](#) says. Also, every "reasonable and practical effort" should be made to increase the number of U.S. citizens pursuing advance STEM degrees. In R&D, the bill stresses energy efficiency, renewables, and conservation; advanced materials; improved manufacturing technology; microelectronics; and cybersecurity. The \$631 billion defense tab, advanced by Chairman Carl Levin of Michigan, left, and ranking Republican John McCain of Arizona, right, comes in below the House bill, requiring a House-Senate conference.

DATA POINTS

TOP 10 UNIVERSITY RECIPIENTS OF FEDERAL FUNDS



Click to enlarge. **Sources:** [NSF \(above\)](#) and [National Center for Education Statistics \(below\)](#).



ADMINISTRATION



NOMINATE A GREAT MENTOR: The White House is seeking names to consider for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring, which recognizes "efforts that enhance the participation and retention of students and early-career investigators in STEM disciplines. It's administered by the National Science Foundation.


WRAPPING IT UP: The President's Council of Advisers on Science and Technology expects to release its report on "The Future of the U.S. Science and Technology Research Enterprise" at its July 19 meeting. The National Academies' report on research universities is due out earlier -- on June 14.


THE DRAGON IS SAFE: Once the SpaceX craft docked successfully at the International Space Station, the White House gathered up statements implicitly praising the President Obama's controversial decision to press forward with privatized space travel. Norman Augustine, retired chairman and CEO of Lockheed Martin, says, "Successes in commercial space transportation are not only important in their own right, they also free NASA to do that which it does best...namely, push the very frontiers of space and knowledge."

CHECK OUT . . . The White House's digital strategy and its plan to hire shortterm "bad-ass innovators."

RESEARCH AGENCIES




 **NIGHTMARE SCENARIO:** The Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, part of the Department of Homeland Security, lives with the threat that terrorists might fly, drive, or carry a hard-to-detect improvised nuclear device or "dirty bomb" into the United States. It spends some \$74 million a year on "transformational" and applied research to prevent that. The office funds nuclear engineering, materials science, and computer engineering research through grants and contracts to both universities and companies, and supports 50-150 students, like those shown here. Big challenges include cheaper nuclear detection devices, so more people can use them, and ways to pinpoint radiation sources. Learn more here, or shoot an email to m.matthews@asee.org for a powerpoint of a talk this week by DNDO's Joel Rynes.

 **RHYMES WITH STEM:** The National Science Foundation has announced six Partnerships for Research and Education in Materials (PREM) awards. These pair minority-serving institutions with existing centers,

institutes and facilities supported by the Division of Materials Research. Winners include: California State University, Northridge; Howard University; Jackson State University; Norfolk State University; Texas State University-San Marcos; and University of Texas at El Paso.

OVER THE TOP: Housing for temporary assignments is one thing, but 14 years? Princeton, which operates the Plasma Physics Laboratory, got reimbursed by the Department of Energy to the tune of \$1.04 million for lodging for two employees on extended out-of-town assignments – "14 years in one case and 9 years in the other," says DOE's inspector general. According to the IG, this "appeared to be excessive and inconsistent" with department policies. The Office of Science looked into the matter and found two more instances of extended travel -- one since 2002 and another since 2007. Princeton has agreed to repay DOE \$1 million.

NATIONAL ACADEMIES

IS ANYONE LISTENING? Discipline-based Education Research (DBER) investigates how students learn in particular scientific disciplines and offers ways to improve instruction. The National Research Council says it has generated insights "that could help improve undergraduate education in science and engineering." So far, these strategies haven't been widely adopted. Science and engineering faculty, institutions, disciplinary societies, and professional societies should get behind them, the NRC urges in a new report. 

NEW DUTIES: Charles O. Holliday Jr., who is now leading the NRC's research universities study, has been elected as the National Academy of Engineering's 10th chair.

HIGHER EDUCATION

PERSIAN GULF AGGIES: "In terms of producing graduates and securing research financing, A&M is now the highest-performing university involved in Education City." So writes the Texas Tribune of A&M's engineering outpost in Doha, Qatar, acknowledging that the school is one of the Tribune's sponsors. Other Doha branches are operated by Georgetown, Carnegie Mellon, Northwestern, Virginia Commonwealth, and Weill Cornell Medical College.



WINNING TEAM: Mississippi State took top honors, plus \$7,000 in prize money, in the Energy Department's EcoCAR 2 competition. Teams from 15 universities participated. The New York Times explores the contest's

educational impact.

THE OLIN WAY: The Argosy Foundation is providing \$1.3 million so that the Olin College of Engineering can spread its innovative teaching techniques, the college reports. Faculty from several partner schools will absorb how Olin does it and then partner with Olin faculty to reform curricula on their home campuses. Read the [press release](#).

YES WEPAN: The Women in Engineering ProActive Network (WEPAN) is holding a conference in Columbus, Ohio, June 25-27 focusing on the causes of under-representation among students and faculty and ways to address it. A keynote panel with deans Leah Jamieson (Purdue) and Gary May (Georgia Tech) will discuss gender diversity and the White House-backed 10,000 New Engineers effort. Click to [register](#).

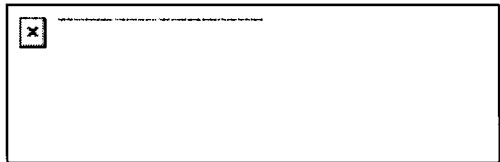
AT ASEE

SOCIETY AWARDS: The 2012 ASEE [National and Society Awards](#) and newly elected [Fellow Member Honorees](#) have been announced. Award presentations and induction of new Fellows will occur at the annual conference in San Antonio, June 10-13.

KEEP ABREAST of ASEE's recently launched Retention Project by clicking [here](#) for updates.

K-12 WORKSHOP: [Registration](#) has opened for ASEE's ninth annual K-12 workshop, occurring June 9, 2012, just before the ASEE Annual Conference in San Antonio.

GET YOUR COPY! The 5th edition of eGFI (Engineering, Go For It), ASEE's inspiring magazine for K-12 students, **has won a Silver Award of Distinction from the Communicator Awards**. The new edition presents readers with a multifaceted picture of engineering by offering briefs on different engineering disciplines; first-hand accounts from engineering students, teachers, and professionals; and tips on how to prepare for, finance, and succeed in pursuing an education in engineering. It recently caught the attention of the Wired magazine blogger [GeekDad](#). Since its launch in 2003, eGFI has reached more than 1.7 million readers. To inquire about sponsorship or to place advance orders, contact Grace Hill (g.hill@asee.org; 202-350-5760 or GoForIt@asee.org).



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Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 11:40 PM
To: Tzou, Robert D.; Thompson, James E.
Cc: Kiger, Sam A.; Naufel, Brenna R.; Weston, Katherine Amanda
Subject: RE: NSEI faculty want to go CEE?

Bob,

Thanks for the information. I plan to no action on this for the time being.

Mark

From: Tzou, Robert D.
Sent: Friday, May 25, 2012 3:21 AM
To: Virkler, Mark R.; Thompson, James E.
Cc: Kiger, Sam A.; Naufel, Brenna R.; Weston, Katherine Amanda
Subject: Re: NSEI faculty want to go CEE?

Mark,

Thank you for the information. I did hear Harry's mentioning CEE once during our previous discussion with the campus administration on all the possibilities, but I think it's one of the ideas of Harry's rather than a plan on the table. Harry was enthusiastic in advancing the possibility of putting NSEI in MAE, but I found later that it might be Harry's initiative rather than what NSEI wants to do.

I would stay put until your faculty/Harry approach you more formally for exploring this possibility, unless having NSEI in CEE is something you would like to proceed proactively. We will support you in all cases.

Bob

----- Original message -----

Subject: NSEI faculty want to go CEE?
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To: "Thompson, James E." <ThompsonJE@missouri.edu>
CC: "Tzou, Robert D." <TzouR@missouri.edu>, "Kiger, Sam A." <KigerS@missouri.edu>, "Naufel, Brenna R." <naufelbr@missouri.edu>, "Weston, Katherine Amanda" <westonk@missouri.edu>

Dear Jim,

Harry Tyrer and I ran into each other today and he asked me if I was in the information loop about the four NSEI faculty wanting to join Civil Engineering. This is the first I had heard of the idea. Harry thought they had been discussing this with one of our CEE faculty. I have not had a chance to discuss this with that faculty member who is out of town but plan to when I get the opportunity. Should the NSEI faculty approach me with the idea I will inform you immediately since any such move would affect the college.

Harry was happy that there might be a destination for the NSEI faculty so that it off his plate with Faculty Council.

I will be out of town until Wednesday but will check email when I can.

Sorry to intrude with this topic during your China trip.

Best regards,

Mark