COE program supporting women receives award

Connections, a Northeastern College of Engineering program that encourages women to pursue careers in engineering, received the American Association of University Women (AAUW) 2005 National Progress in Equity Award. The Legal Advocacy Fund selects one college or university program annually to recognize for its achievements. The Connections program was originally funded by the National Science Foundation and continues to offer social programs, academic support, career preparation, and outreach programs, as well as a freshman-year residence hall.

Student Awards

OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Selis Önel Evren, PhD candidate, mechanical engineering

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD IN THE ALL-AROUND TEACHING ASSISTANT CATEGORY

Ipek Ozer Stillman, PhD candidate, industrial engineering

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING OUTSTANDING TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARDS

Eric Hernandez, civil and environmental engineering

Jence Mandizha, electrical and computer engineering

Fatihah Ouali, information systems

Farzan Parsinejad, mechanical and industrial engineering

Rajesh Ranganathan, mechanical and industrial engineering

William Warger, electrical and computer engineering

UNIVERSITY CO-OP AWARDS

Jamal Abdullah, mechanical engineering, '05

Kristen Cecchetti, electrical engineering, '05

Kristin Poole, industrial engineering, '05

Michael Seluga, civil engineering, '05

Elizabeth Sutton, chemical engineering, '05

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Spotlight on Students

Civil engineering students design water supply system for Honduras

Students from Northeastern's chapter of Engineers Without Borders (EWB-NEU), which was established in January 2005, went on a site assessment trip last year to El Tecuan, Honduras, where they worked on the design of a water supply system. After returning to Boston, the group formed three subcommittees to focus on technical design, Honduran culture, and fundraising to complete the project.

The initial design process was expected to be finished by early 2006, so that plans could be sent to the village for review prior to the group's final visit. Although all activities are dependent upon funding, EWB-NEU intends to return to Honduras at the end of April 2006 to implement the designed system. Several groups were instrumental in enabling this trip to happen, including Simpson Gumpertz and Heger, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc., Gale Associates, and CAP Enterprises, which donated essential travel funds and material expenses.