MEWBOURNE COLLEGE OF EARTH & ENERGY

The mission of the Mewbourne College of Earth & Energy is to provide an academic environment in earth sciences and engineering, energy education and research that contains the full breadth of the University of Oklahoma educational experience. We also have a key service mission to investigate the State of Oklahoma’s land, water, mineral, and energy resources.

TOP TEN REASONS TO CONSIDER THE College of Earth & Energy

1. ConocoPhillips School of Geology and Geophysics (CPSGG), founded in 1900, was the first school in the nation to offer a degree in petroleum geology and ranks among the top schools nationwide for career placement.

2. In each of the last two years, Halliburton has awarded CPSGG’s Pick and Hammer Club with $20,000 in grants to assist in outreach efforts and bring interactive learning of geosciences to students of all ages. The Club provides teachers with Mineral Kits and educational tools to spark an interest in earth sciences both in and out of the classroom. Over the 2015-16 academic year, Pick and Hammer reached more than 1,000 students through their outreach efforts.

3. OU joined forces with the Upstream Drilling and Production section of ConocoPhillips to ensure the nation’s energy infrastructure is robust with the creation of a new Biocorrosion Center.

4. The Jeffrey D. Hall Core Viewing Area at the Oklahoma Petroleum Information Center provides an outstanding climate-controlled and well-equipped space to view and analyze rock cores and samples for geological and engineering testing.

5. Mewbourne School of Petroleum and Geological Engineering (MPGE) students, faculty, and staff regularly attend the Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition (ACTE), an event that draws more than 10,000 industry professionals. Students network with peers, present research, and access new technologies. Concurrent with the conference, students also participate in the Petro Bowl, a competition OU has championed three times, most recently in 2011.

6. The OU Society of Petroleum Engineers is recognized worldwide by SPE International as a Gold Standard Student Chapter, one of only 26, and is a national leader in raising funds (more than $56,000 in the past decade!) and awareness for the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life.

7. The OU Imperial Barrel Team has placed both regionally and nationally in the American Association of Petroleum Geologists Annual Convention’s competition over the last three years. This program is sponsored by AAPG and is an annual prospective basin evaluation competition that includes multiple university teams from across the world.

8. CPSGG’s Summer 2015 ‘Geology of Italy’ course took 20 students and two faculty members on a study abroad trip for three weeks. Students were immersed in the culture and geology around Italy by exploring areas such as Arezzo, Pompeii, Rome, and Venice.

9. In May 2015, a pair of professors traveled with 20 MPGE students and two faculty members to Peru to study abroad with 34 Peruvian students and energy industry personnel. Igor Salazar, OU alum, native Peruvian and General Manager for PeruLNG, invited the group to tour the Melchorita LNG plant, the largest plant in Latin America where gas is liquefied.

10. Both the CPSGG and MPGE are consistently ranked among the top five petroleum engineering, petroleum geology, and geophysics programs in the country.