Minority Introduction To Engineering and National Society of Black Engineers National Conference

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**Abstract**

MITE: The program is designed to help the students obtain a clear picture of engineering and science as a profession and to become acquainted with various fields of engineering. In addition, we want to let the students know early on what type of effort is required for college study, especially in engineering and science.
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The one-week institute is designed to enable minority students who will be juniors and seniors to obtain a clear picture of engineering as a profession. Students become acquainted with various fields of engineering and with the demand practicing engineers face in these fields. Another goal is to acquaint students with the type of effort required for college study. This year, fifty-four high school juniors and seniors attended the 2003 Minority Introduction to Engineering (MITE). The program helped the students obtain a clear picture of engineering and science as a profession and to become acquainted with various fields of engineering. The students had the opportunity to participate in several hands-on activities, and to interact with UMR students, faculty and staff.

The National Society of Black Engineers National Conference was attended by three Minority Engineering Programs staff members in Anaheim, CA for minority student recruitment for both undergraduate and graduate students. NSBE’s goal is to increase the number of culturally responsible Black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively impact the community. MEP provided information at both the career and graduate fairs. There were over 12,000 attendees at the conference.

Figure 1: Director Floyd Harris at NSBE convention