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Earthquake Centers Attend NSF-ERC Annual Meeting

For the first time as part of the NSF division of Engineering, Education and Centers (EEC), MCEER, MAE and PEER were invited to the Engineering Research Center (ERC) Annual Meeting. Chaired by NSF Program Leader Lynn Preston, the November 1999 meeting featured special sessions on strategic planning for research, ERC achievements and performance measurements, and highlighted accomplishments, industry partnerships and educational programs. A highlight of the meeting was the introduction of newly-designated ERC's.

Prior to the meeting, a day-long student retreat was conducted to allow student participants of ERC Student Leadership Councils (SLCs) to exchange experiences and ideas. SLCs consist of students who receive ERC support and are designed to immerse students more completely in the ERC research experience and culture. A poster session organized by the students demonstrated the extent of their research involvement. MCEER was represented at the meeting and poster session by doctoral candidate Natali Sigaher, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, University at Buffalo. ❖



■ *University at Buffalo doctoral candidate Natali Sigaher presented MCEER research work at a poster session during the NSF-ERC Annual Meeting.*