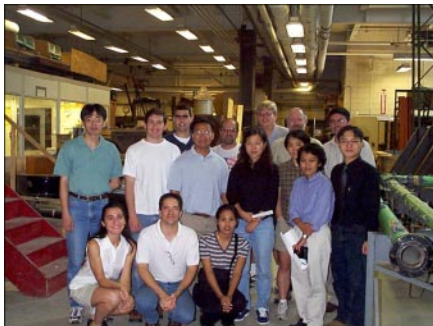


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Student Leadership Council Summer Meeting

On August 7-8, 2000, MCEER's Student Leadership Council met at Cornell University. The event was co-sponsored by the EERI Student Chapters of Cornell University and the University at Buffalo.

The primary goal of the meeting was to provide a forum for student presentations of research results, and for students to meet colleagues from other universities involved in MCEER related research.



■ *Group photograph of MCEER SLC meeting participants*

The meeting attracted students from four universities, including Cornell, Buffalo, RPI and Syracuse. Presentations were made by 11 students on topics ranging from the behavior of scissor-type dampers to dynamic sensitivity analysis. Prof. Thomas O'Rourke started the meeting with an engaging overview of ongoing research activities.

The two-day format allowed for a picnic dinner at Taughannock Falls State Park at the end of the first day of the meeting. The dinner was a great opportunity to

exchange ideas for research and to interact with students from other universities.

Other highlights included a tour of the Winter Laboratory for Structural Engineering Research, where a large-scale test on pipe joints subjected to permanent ground deformations was nearing the final preparation stages ([see page 1](#)). The meeting ended with a lunch, where future sites and events were discussed. ❖

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■ *James Mason, a Graduate Research Assistant at Cornell University, discusses fibers used in his research*