On July 27-28, 1999, MCEER hosted a site visit team organized by the NSF’s Division of Engineering Education and Centers. The team was assembled to review MCEER’s second year activities and provide an analysis of the overall quality of MCEER’s program. The team was coordinated by Dr. Joy Pauschke, program director, division of engineering education and centers, National Science Foundation.

The meeting consisted of presentations by MCEER management and investigators, who provided an overview of our strategic plan for research and education, and discussed research thrust areas. Speakers were George Lee, M. Shinozuka, Thomas O’Rourke, Michel Bruneau, Kathleen Tierney, Ronald Eguchi, Andrei Reinhorn and Andrea Dargush.

Following the presentations, site visit team members met with MCEER’s students and discussed their projects during a poster session (see photo). The team also met with and heard presentations by representatives from MCEER’s industry/user partners.