



University of South Florida College of Engineering Holds First-ever Student Recruitment Event

In an effort to create awareness among high-ability high school students, the USF College of Engineering hosted its first-ever student recruitment event on October 25. The event was designed to show potential high school seniors and their parents the high quality engineering education and outstanding learning opportunities available at USF.

The event, attended by 53 students plus their parents, was held at USF CAMLS in downtown Tampa and was hosted by OCCAM Technology Group. Attendees had the opportunity to meet with faculty from each program and visit with representatives from admissions, Engineering Living Learning Communities and Honors College. The Mini Circuits Design for X Laboratory was a big draw for many students. It is currently the only maker space at any college of engineering in Florida.

Seniors also had the opportunity to pose questions to current USF engineering students about their experiences in the engineering program and at USF in general.

“I’m impressed by the overwhelming interest in engineering,” said College of Engineering Dean Robert H. Bishop. “The proliferation of technology through apps and mobile devices has made engineering a much sought after program all over the country.”

The number of students admitted to the College of Engineering has grown approximately 62% over the past five years to more than 6,000. A Bridge to Engineering program also began this semester on the Sarasota Manatee campus that enables students interested in engineering to start their program at USFSM as students in the College of Engineering later finishing on the Tampa campus.

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