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Sydney Gravitt has kept very busy while studying civil engineering at Ohio State. In addition to her class workload, the senior also volunteered as a College of Engineering Ambassador, participated in Ohio State's STEP Research Program and served as a resident advisor in Jones Tower.

As she prepared for her future career, the Ashland, Ohio native wanted to gain even more insight and experience into what it's really like to work in her chosen field. "I wanted to be able to listen to an experienced engineer and gain some of their wisdom," she offered.



Rickard Sicker (L), President of RAS Civil Engineering with Sydney Gravitt (R).

Sydney is one of nearly 40 undergraduate students who participate in CEGE's Industry Mentor Program. Participants in the program share and receive real-world career guidance, information on current and future industry trends and personal experiences from the workplace. Working with her mentor Rickard Sicker (BS '78, CE), Sydney visited civil and geotechnical firms as well as active jobsites. "This was a great experience and I thank Mr. Sicker for investing in me."

Associate Development Officer Courtney Ross is a staunch advocate for the burgeoning program. "The benefits of learning from those that have come before you are invaluable," she stated. "If alumni are looking for a way to connect with students and pay forward, the Mentor Program is a great opportunity to make your mark on the future of the sector."

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