



## DFI UNIVERSITY AMBASSADOR PROGRAM



**Program Mission:** The DFI Student Engagement Committee, in partnership with the DFI Board of Trustees and the DFI Educational Trust, is committed to developing consistent student opportunities and experiences that both grow interest in DFI at the university level and provide members the opportunity to meet prospective employees at both on-campus and DFI events.

**Ambassador Role Description:** The following tasks shall serve as a framework for the development of relationships between DFI representatives and faculty and identified partner universities.

1. Serve as the main liaison between DFI and the designated university.
  - a. Facilitate speakers for the school (DFI can be promoted as part of the presentations). Facilitate construction site visits for undergraduate/graduate students in the vicinity of the university.
  - b. Encourage applications for DFI Educational Trust Scholarships.
  - c. Promote career fair attendance at schools by local DFI Members.
2. Develop and expand relationships with the geotechnical faculty.
  - a. Facilitate participation in undergraduate or graduate seminars.
  - b. Coordinate/provide industry data for use in faculty research projects.
  - c. Connect professors with DFI technical committees that cover areas of their research. Identifying opportunities to support course content at both the undergraduate and graduate level.
  - d. Promote awareness of Committee Project Fund program.
3. Increase participation in DFI events, especially those within proximity of the university.
  - a. Encourage faculty and students to join conference committees.
  - b. Promote participation in student and young professor paper competitions. Promote Calls for Abstract and presentation/paper submissions.
  - c. Facilitate and coordinate student attendance and participation in student programs.

### Pilot Program University List:

Virginia Tech: Chris Woods, Allen Cadden	Georgia Tech: Morgan NeSmith
Purdue: Chris Woods	University of MD: Dan Stevenson, Silas Nichols, Mary Ellen Large
University of Illinois: Jared Green, Rudy Frizzi	University of Pittsburgh: Sebastian Lobo-Guerrero
University of Texas at Austin: Mary Nodine, Erik Loehr	Northwestern: Hannah Iezzoni
University of Florida: Jon Sinnreich	Syracuse University: Silas Nichols, Jared Green
University of California at Berkeley: Lori Simpson	University of Missouri: Erik Loehr
Gonzaga University: M. Byrl Williams	Manhattan College: Zac Curanovic