The Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering (IME) at Penn State frequently collaborates with companies large and small that are interested in supporting industrial and manufacturing engineering education and research efforts.

By providing Penn State industrial engineering students with machinery and tools, internships, co-op opportunities, design projects, and research programs, our corporate partners help our faculty prepare students for the type of work they will experience after graduation.

Our partnerships with these companies are beneficial to both parties; we assist with engineering projects, processes, and problems while our business partners provide students with the real-world experience they need to be successful industrial engineering professionals with a global view of business and manufacturing.

The support we receive from industry partners is remarkable. From scholarships to equipment purchases to research initiatives and capstone projects, our partners help us provide the best learning environment possible for our students.

For more information about partnering with IME at Penn State or to get involved, contact Charlie Purdum at 814-865-5345 or clp73@psu.edu.

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Industry Engagement Opportunities

Engineering Career Fair
Fall Career Days: careerfairs.psu.edu/fall/
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Industrial Engineering Career Fair
Fall semester, contact current president of IIE Student Chapter: sites.psu.edu/psuiie

Engineering Career Resources & Employer Relations Office
For engineering internships & co-ops: career.engr.psu.edu/

Information sessions/panel discussions
Held via the Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineering (IIE). Contacts: Guodong (Gordan) Pang, associate professor and IIE faculty adviser, gup3@psu.edu; Current president of the IIE Student Chapter, sites.psu.edu/psuiie

Senior-level capstone design projects
Contact: Charlie Purdum, director of industry relations, clp73@psu.edu

Distributing internship and/or co-op opportunities to IE students
Contact: Denise Olivett, undergraduate staff assistant, dro3@psu.edu

Identifying IE courses
Give a presentation/lecture, related to the course content, which could also provide insight into companies. Contact: Denise or Elena Joshi, undergraduate program coordinator, ejoshi@psu.edu

Student scholarship support
Provide scholarship funding. Contact: Susan Bohna, seb40@psu.edu

Partnering to provide applied research projects
All levels: undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral

Organizing factory tours for students
Run via either a student organization or IE-specific course

Collaborating through research centers and/or labs
ime.psu.edu/research/research-centers.aspx and ime.psu.edu/research/index.aspx

Sponsoring departmental events
Annual Awards Banquet and Family Day held every spring, among others