THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Engineering Service-Learning Ghana In Country

ENGR 5797.17S

Credit Hours:

4.00 - 4.00

Course Levels:

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level) Graduate

Course Components:

Lecture Field Experience

Course Description:

The Engineering Service-Learning in Ghana course takes place during autumn semester in preparation for winter break travel; Travel and service will be conducted during the break between autumn and spring semesters.

Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prereq: Enrollment in the College of Engineering, or permission of instructor.

Course Goals / Objectives:

- Identify and analysis the impact of sustainable technology on a developing country in terms of, but not limited to, the environment, public discourse, economy, education, cultural attitudes, socioeconomics, and public health.
- Learn key aspects of the human centered design process to devise practical and sustainable engineering solutions that involve partnerships with local partners including the community at large.
- Further develop an understanding and appreciation of global diversity.
- Participate in a study abroad experience/service-learning experience that may be outside their comfort zone and experience, in order to implement team-based engineering/technical projects and to document and present lessons learned.
- Synthesize the theory and practice of human centered design within the local and global community.

Course Topics:

- Human Centered Design process and community development work including intercultural development skills
- Implementation, evaluation and testing of sustainable technologies in a developing country including team project work
- Professional communication practices with stakeholders
- If traveling: Implementation, evaluation and testing of sustainable technologies in a developing country including team project work
- If not traveling: lecture hours increase for topics in professional communication, research of sustainable technologies, human-centered design process and intercultural skills development.

Designation:

Elective