



**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# Humanitarian Engineering and Culture in Guyana

## ENGR 5797.23

**Credit Hours:**

3.00 - 3.00

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**Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

Graduate

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**Course Components:**

Lecture

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**Course Description:**

This course offers an opportunity to be engaged in a humanitarian engineering project trip to Georgetown, Guyana to work on solar education projects. Students who are a part of this course will learn about Guyanese history, culture, and current events; energy challenges, needs, and clean energy solutions; solar panel systems; complete technical design/evaluation challenges; and travel to Guyana.

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**Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: Jr, Sr, or Grad standing in Engr, and permission of instructor.

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**Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Learn about socio-economic, political and environmental challenges, faced by people in developing country context (Guyana)
  - Attain stronger understanding and appreciation of Guyanese culture and thought.
  - Research, develop, and document solutions to solar education challenges with faculty and students from the University of Guyana.
  - Apply humanitarian concepts to real-world issues.
  - Devise practical and sustainable engineering solutions that involve partnerships with the University of Guyana and the local community at large.
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**Course Topics:**

- Humanitarian engineering
  - Culture, history, diversity, current events, socio-economics in Guyana
  - 1 week in-country activities -community projects, STEM Camp, presentations to university and other stakeholders.
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**Designation:**

Elective