



March 5, 2009

Dear Colleague,

Enclosed you will find an exciting opportunity for your company to advertise your products and career opportunities at the Fifth Annual Biomedical Engineering Career Fair. This Career Fair will host Biomedical Engineering students from BME programs throughout the Northeast. We are also inviting graduate programs to attend and advertise their programs as well. I hope the enclosed Preliminary Announcement of the Exhibitor Prospectus for this event is informative enough for your company to seriously consider exhibiting at this career fair on February 4, 2010 from 1 – 5pm. A round table discussion will be hosted from noon – 1pm. The BME Undergraduate program brochure is available at <http://www.bme.uconn.edu/bme/pdf/bmemajor.pdf>.

The UConn Student Branch Chapter of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBS) and the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Student Chapter are hosting this event. The goal of this targeted Career Fair is to provide a forum wherein employers and candidates with common interest in biomedical engineering can meet to discuss career and experiential learning opportunities, including summer internships and Co-Ops. It will also allow students to collect company specific information, while providing recruiters with a cost-effective way to collect resumes from a large number of prospective, and technically proficient, candidates. Resumes from interested students will be posted on our secure website that participating companies will have access.

The types of people that will be attending the career fair include biomedical engineers, medical physicists, biotechnology scientists, and many other students from UConn and other colleges in the Northeast. The 2008 Career Fair had sixteen employers and over 200 students from schools that included the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Florida International University, the University of Michigan, SUNY Stony Brook, MIT and other colleges and universities. Among the employers and academic programs exhibiting were the U.S. Food & Drug Administration and U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Philips Research N.A., National Instruments Corp., Medtronic, BrainLAB, Teleflex Medical, Covidien, the Texcel LLC, Genzyme Biosurgery, Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics, Respironics, the University of Alabama at Birmingham Dept. of Biomedical Engineering, the Association for Women in Science, the UConn Clinical Engineering Master's Program and the Government VA Training Program.

The fair is open to all students, graduate programs and companies. There is no registration fee for attendees, including BME programs and companies. BEACON, the Biomedical Engineering Alliance & Consortium, and the Biomedical Engineering Career Alliance are sponsors of our Career Fair.

For further information please contact Honorio Valdes Espinosa de los Monteros (Career Fair Chair) at HONORIO.VALDES_ESPINOSA_DE_L@UCONN.EDU, Angela Gilbert (BME Student Society President) at (603) 721-9093 or via email at angela.c.gilbert@uconn.edu or Dr. John Enderle (BME Program Director) at (860) 486-5521 or via email at jenderle@bme.uconn.edu.

We look forward to hear from you and hopefully see you on February 5, 2009.

Sincerely,

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Angela Gilbert, BME Student Society President

John D. Enderle, Ph.D, Biomedical Engineering Program Director

An Invitation to Exhibit & Attend the University of Connecticut

Fifth Annual Biomedical Engineering Career Fair
4 February 2010 from 1 – 5pm
Industrial Panel Discussion from Noon – 1pm
Rome Ballroom
South Campus, University of Connecticut

The UConn students of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBS) Student Branch Chapter and the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) are hosting this event. The goal of this targeted Career Fair is to provide a forum wherein employers, graduate programs, and students primarily from the Northeast (but all students are welcome), with common interest in biomedical engineering and biotechnology, can meet to discuss career and experiential learning opportunities, including summer internships and co-ops, and permanent employment. BME graduate programs are also invited to attend. There is no registration fee charged for this event.

The purpose of the BME Career Fair is for students to collect company and graduate program-specific information, while providing recruiters with a cost-effective way to collect resumes from a large number of prospective and technically relevant candidates. A CD will be available to participating companies containing student resumes.

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The types of people attending the Career Fair include biomedical engineers, medical physicists, biotechnology scientists, and many other students. All students are invited to attend and there is no registration fee. The Biomedical Engineering (BME) program held its fourth annual career fair at the UConn-Storrs campus on February 5, 2009. Approximately 150 students attended the fair, according to Angela Gilbert (BME '09), president of the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) student chapter. Attendees from UConn, the New Jersey Institute of Technology, City College of New York, Stony Brook University, SUNY Stony Brook, the University of Hartford and even the University of Texas at Arlington made the trek to campus to speak with representatives from 10 exhibiting companies, graduate school programs and medical schools.

The exhibitors were interested in candidates for the full spectrum of positions, from full-time employment to internships and co-ops. Among the employers were Covidien (formerly Tyco Healthcare), Metrum Research Group, Philips Respironics, the Veterans Health Administration, National Instruments, the Hartford Hospital Department of Biomedical Engineering, 454 Life Sciences, Tufts Medical Center, the Boston Veterans Administration and the Veterans Administration Medical Center. The employers received a CD containing the resumes of all attending students. In addition to the usual displays and one-on-one meetings, the event also featured a round-table discussion that Ms. Gilbert said many students found particularly informative. Representatives from the exhibiting organizations discussed the educational and career choices they made that led them to where they are today. Dr. Joseph Bronzino, the Vernon Roosa Professor of Applied Science at Trinity College and executive director of BEACON - the Biomedical Engineering Alliance & Consortium - presented an overview of his background and hosted the panel. During the Q&A period, student attendees quizzed panel members about their choices and inquired about the qualities they should look for in a prospective employer as well as what qualities distinguish an attractive potential employee.

The fair was hosted by the UConn Student Branch Chapter of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society (EMBS) and the BMES student chapter. In addition to Ms. Gilbert, the BMES student chapter officers are vice president Emily Jacobs (BME '09), secretary Caitlin Martin (BME '09), treasurer Kristin Ohanian (BME '09), career fair coordinator Honorio Valdes Espinosa de los Monteros (BME '11), and program coordinators Maria Rodriguez (BME '09) and Christina Natale (BME '11).

Due to space constraints, this event will be open to the first 40 companies or graduate programs that respond. There is no registration fee for companies or graduate programs to participate in this event.

Companies and graduate programs should send an email to bmesoc@engr.uconn.edu indicating your interest in attending the Career Fair or complete the online registration form (preferred way to register) at <http://www.bme.uconn.edu/stusocs/CareerFair.html>.

Updates about the Career Fair will be listed at the University of Connecticut Biomedical Engineering website at <http://www.bme.uconn.edu/stusocs/CareerFair.html>.

Specific Information about the Career Fair

The Career Fair will take place on Thursday February 5, 2009 from 1:00 – 5:00pm. In addition, an industrial panel round table discussion lead by individuals from BME companies will be held from noon – 1pm. It will be held at the Storrs campus in the Rome Ball Room. Parking is available in the nearby South Parking Garage. Please refer to the website <http://www.uconn.edu> for a campus map. A CD will be given out to all participating companies and schools containing student resumes.

Fields of interest include, but not limited to:

Biochemical Engineering	Tissue Engineering
Chemistry	Biomaterials
Biology	Polymers and Coatings
Physiological Modeling	Neural Systems Engineering
Image & Signal Processing	Clinical Engineering
Biotechnology	Biomechanics/Rehabilitation/Ergonomics
Biosensors/Bioinstrumentation	Bioinformatics
Drug Discovery and Delivery	

The New Face of UConn

It is no secret that the University of Connecticut constantly strives to provide quality education. Students not only learn about the latest technology in their fields of study, but are taught in “smart” classrooms geared towards utilizing the latest in teaching technology. Sponsored programs, such as UCONN 2000 and UConn 21st, are further improving the capabilities of UConn. UConn 2000 is a \$1 billion, 10 year program to enhance, renew, and rebuild UConn's main campus in Storrs and the regional campuses. Now in its eleventh year, UCONN 2000 has amassed an impressive record of success in realizing its ambitious objectives. UConn 21st Century provides another \$1.3 billion as an extension to the original UConn 2000 paradigm.

These advancements, in turn, have raised the bar in student admissions. Since 1998, the School of Engineering has implemented an intensive outreach to Connecticut's middle and high school communities through, among other things, an extensive scholarship program. As a result, freshman enrollment has increased by 93 percent while the SAT scores and class ranking of incoming freshmen have increased exponentially. In 2005, 32 of the admitted students were valedictorian or salutatorian of their senior class. The BME program also has the largest number of honors students with the highest SAT scores at UConn.

University of Connecticut Biomedical Engineering Program

With approximately 280 undergraduate students, 80 graduate students, and 50 faculty members, the Biomedical Engineering Program provides students with a well-rounded curriculum allowing further study in specialized fields such as: biochemical engineering, bioelectrical engineering, bioinformatics, biomaterials and biomechanical engineering. With top faculty and superb resources and facilities, the B.S. program in biomedical engineering provides an ideal, stimulating environment in which to develop proficiency in engineering, biology and chemistry fundamentals that comprise the necessary foundation for a career in biomedical engineering. Our graduate program is among the oldest in the nation and offers a MS and PhD degrees. For more information regarding our program, please consult the biomedical engineering website: <http://www.bme.uconn.edu>.

Registration

There is no fee for Exhibitors or students. Due to space limitations, we can only accommodate the first 40 exhibitors who register. For further information please contact Honorio Valdes Espinosa de los Monteros (Career Fair Chair) at HONORIO.VALDES_ESPINOSA_DE_L@UCONN.EDU, Angela Gilbert (BME Student Society President) at (603) 721-9093 or via email at angela.c.gilbert@uconn.edu or Dr. John Enderle (BME Program Director) at (860) 486-5521 or via email at jenderle@bme.uconn.edu.

Location

Rome Ballroom, South Campus
University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

We have selected this attractive on-campus venue for the event since it allows for a mix of open circulation and on-site interviewing. There is nearby parking in the South Parking Garage on campus. For further information, please refer to the interactive campus map at www.uconn.edu.