NEW ENGLAND and NEW YORK ENGINEERING CAPSTONE FACULTY WORKSHOP - SUMMER 2017

We have over 20 responses to our questionnaire with strong interest for this gathering so we are going ahead. Open to college faculty even if you didn’t reply to our questionnaire.

PURPOSE: To meet with as many colleagues teaching engineering capstone as practical to:

- share and exchange experiences, skills, and insights,
- develop connections among colleagues for further sharing and exchanging,
- and develop a strategy to make this a sustained opportunity for collaboration.

WHEN: June 20, 2017

WHERE: Smith College, Northampton, MA (Directions and parking details to follow)

PRELIMINARY AGENDA:

Arrive and gather: 9:30-10AM
Morning session: 10AM-12PM (Introductions)
(Summary of Nationwide Practices-Susannah Howe)
(Follow-up discussion, various topics)
Working luncheon: 12-1:30PM (Selected presentations, e.g., employer expectations, unique approaches, common challenges,....)
Afternoon session: 1:30-3PM (Cover suggested topics* of largest common interest)
Adjourn: 3PM

*TOPIC SUGGESTIONS FROM THE SURVEY RESPONSES:

- What can/should we expect from our students?
- Motivating students and solving teamwork challenges
- How best to utilize project advisors
- Learning priorities - what are they?
- How best to solicit and select projects
- Metrics, measurement, and grades
- Project solicitation and selection criteria and outcome experience
- Effective client and mentor/advisor involvement in project execution

ACTION REQUESTED: 1. RSVP (by Friday June 9) to Pattie McNatt Pattie.McNatt@uvm.edu
2. Contact John Lens if you want to make a presentation.

QUESTIONS and SUGGESTIONS? Contact John Lens at jelens@uvm.edu or 802-272-2796