WE²ST GOES TO HOUSTON!

WE²ST students and faculty made the trip to Houston in February to the ConocoPhillips Headquarters. There, they mixed and mingled with ConocoPhillips employees and had the opportunity to present their work.

Click here to see pictures from the event!

WE²ST Guest Speaker - Brian Dodek
Senior Environmental Specialist with Bonanza Creek Energy

Click here for a video of the talk!

This January, two WE²ST Scholars, Michelle and Micaela Pedrazas (along with their teammates) presented their product, known as Airband, at the Mines Innovation Challenge. Airband is a wearable air-quality monitor that utilizes special sensors to detect the levels and presence of hazardous air pollutants. Newmont Mining Corporation has selected their team to receive $2,000 to further develop and refine their ideas!

They will then move forward to present their project prototypes on March 21-24 at the 118th National Western Mining Conference, competing with nine other teams. Final judging will be on April 20th when finalists will give a 10-minute pitch to a panel who will evaluate the team and quality of their innovation. A total of $30,000 in cash prizes will be presented to the top three teams!

WE²ST wishes them luck with the upcoming competitions!
WE2ST Guest Speaker
Bill Ritter
"The Road to Sustainability: Regulations in a Difficult Oil and Gas Economy"
Video of the talk.

John McCray was part of an expert panel for Water and Energy: Enabling and Modeling Sustainability in the Nexus.
Hosted by the Center for Energy Studies at the Baker Institute for Public Policy, Houston, TX.