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FAMU-FSU College of Engineering Students Attend Field Tour Of Capital Circle Southeast (Woodville Hwy. to Tram Rd.)

Tallahassee – John Sobanjo, PhD., P.E. Associate Professor of FAMU-FSU and approximately 30 FAMU-FSU Civil Engineering Students participated in a tour of the Capital Circle Southeast (Woodville Hwy. to Tram Rd.) Blueprint 2000 expansion project on Tuesday, March 15, 2008. Leading the tour was J.W. Hunter, P.E., Resident Engineer and Keith Duke, Project Administrator for Parsons Brinckerhoff. The student’s broke free from their ordinary lectures, homework and projects and witnessed the hands-on planning that engineers face every day. Since there are many different fields in engineering, the goal of the tour was to give the students the opportunity to see first hand what a civil engineer does.

The students had the opportunity to observe the very beginning stage of a design-build project. Mr. Hunter described how the design, construction and maintenance come to reality. Since the project is constructed from scratch, studies are completed on many issues such as environmental, urban development and traffic congestion. The engineers have many other obstacles including drainage, water supply, sewer service, communications and impact to stakeholders that need to be considered. He also shared the challenges that engineers face with meeting the communities needs.

Mr. Sobanjo would like to thank Mr. Hunter and Mr. Duke for taking the time to give the tour. “The tour gave the students an opportunity to see the real world construction experience and they are very excited to have gone on the tour,” stated Sobanjo. Blueprint 2000 would like to wish the students a wonderful career in their Engineering fields.

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