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A few members of SSCP had the wonderful opportunity to attend the annual BreakBulk Americas Conference (1 out of 4 annual conferences per year) in New Orleans this past September. The students got a chance to listen to industry experts who briefed conference attendees intuitive informative sessions about the Breakbulk Logistics & transportation industry. Students were also able to take part and be given Career Path advice in a roundtable Career Fair discussion with BreakBulk industry leaders from companies such as

- Henk Alma-Manager Energy Solutions (Semen's Energy)
- John Hark-Regional Managing Director (Bertling Logistics)
- Erik Vanderberg-Chief Logistics Leader(GE Power & Water)
- Roman Zhekov-Vice President Global Projects (BBC Chartering)
- Marc Marling-Executive Vice President, (Teras Cargo Transport America)

The company reps offered sound career advice to our members and gave their own stories and experiences in how they became apart of the Logistics/Breakbulk Industry. Aside from networking with industry experts, student were also able to network with fellow college students form schools such as Texas A & M and Texas Southern. The group gladly accepted the refreshments that was kindly given to them by the New Orleans Convention Center Staff. Members who were able to attend the conference for one more day would have been able to take part in the Official Breakbulk Career Fair the following morning. Overall, the trip was a success and the students took away a wealth of new information that they could apply to their Supply Chain Classes.





The College of Business at Southern University were pleased to welcome employees of Exxon Mobil's Lubricant Plant in Port Allen to Southern University where they gave an excellent presentation on their day to day activities. They discussed different job aspects of the plant such as the roles and duties of jobs such as a Raw Materials Planner, Operations Manager, Production Manger & a General Manger. They discussed the process of shipping, raw material requirements, emergency protocols incase an accident occurred and how they worked with their plant partners across the country. Students were treated to refreshments and an end Q & A Session & were lastly invited to come out to their facility and take a tour of it.



The trip at Exxon Mobile Lubricants Plant in Port Allen, La was a fun and interesting experience. The students who went from the various MGMT 300 and 400 classes got real world exposure to how an Exxon facility is run. The group got the opportunity to take a look inside Exxon's warehouse to look at how Exxon prepare and package their oil, acquire their raw materials for their oil, how they monitor all day to day activities in the facility through the use of a control room and exposure to the various machines/factory lines that produce the oil & box packaging.







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Our Mission

SSCP will create and expand positive business relationships with companies in various industries who seek students studying supply chain management. By building relationships with companies and professional associations, both locally and globally, SSCP will provide students with a manifold of promising career opportunities.

Upcoming Events Spring 2014

- Port of New Orleans Trip-TBA
- Walmart Distribution Center-TBA
- ISM Executive Summit –February 26-28