

# KU SELF ENGINEERING LEADERSHIP FELLOWS

The University of Kansas

## Volume IV Issue I UPCOMING EVENTS

### High School Design Competition

Tuesday November 6th  
8:00 AM Eaton Hall

### SELF Speaker Series: Angela Chammas

*Leading with Purpose, Passion  
and Power – From the Inside Out*  
Tuesday November 13th  
6:00 PM Spahr Classroom

## INSIDE THE PROGRAM



### About the Benefactors

The SELF Program was made possible through a generous donation to the KU Endowment by Madison A. and Lila Self. The Selfs established the program with the intent that it makes a difference in the lives of students who will then rise to make a notable difference in the world. Madison "AI" Self is a 1943 KU chemical engineering graduate, successful businessman and recipient of the School of Engineering's Distinguished Engineering Service Award in 2000. The Selfs, native Kansans who met at KU, are among the university's largest individual donors.



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## The Alpine Projekt: Seniors Give Insight Into Europe Experience

Seniors in the SELF Program summarized their recent 10-day capstone experience to Germany and Switzerland during a presentation on Monday, October 22. The 17 seniors traveled to Stuttgart, Germany, visiting automobile museums for Mercedes and Porsche, a handful of engineering firms, and two research universities. From Stuttgart, the group traveled to Munich, Germany, for tours of the BMW museum, a Google office, and another technical university. The seniors then traveled to Geneva, Switzerland, for a tour of CERN, the world's largest particle physics laboratory, as well as a tour of the United Nations.

Now that they are back in the United States, the seniors are focusing on science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) outreach. They are working with middle and high school students in the region to inspire them to enter STEM fields.



### Fellow Spotlight: Chris Hudson



Chris Hudson is a senior majoring in Computer Science from Red Cloud, Neb. He is involved with the Institute for Electronic and Electrical Engineers and the Association for Computing Machinery. This past summer he interned at Google headquarters.

When asked what drives him to be successful, Chris said, "I don't view success as having a good job or holding a certain position, but by being able to look back at who I was and say that I have come a long way."



The sophomore and junior SELF Fellows participated in this year's retreat September 29 & 30 in Junction City, Kan.

### Sophomore/Junior Fall Retreat: Off to Junction City

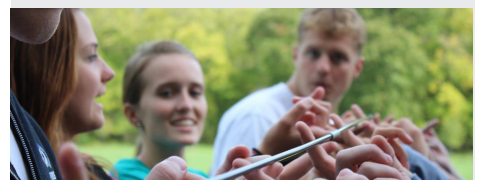
On September 29, the sophomore and junior SELF Fellows departed Lawrence for their annual retreat at Rock Springs 4-H Center near Junction City, Kan.

For the sophomores, the retreat was a team-building experience. Prior to the retreat, each member took a StrengthsQuest assessment to find out his or her individual strengths. At the retreat, the members discussed their strengths, then proceeded with a team-building ropes course, where they used each other's strengths to accomplish tasks, including a trust fall, an "A" frame walk, and a telephone game. The purpose of the course was to reinforce the importance of communication, teamwork, and trust.

While the sophomores were on the ropes course, the juniors worked on preparing the High School Design Competition. HSDC is a day where high schools from Kansas and Missouri come to the School of Engineering and compete in face-to-face contests of devices they've designed and built.

The retreat also served a relationship-building purpose. Being away from campus allowed relationship bonds to be strengthened. The retreat gave an opportunity for both classes to bond with each other, as well as introduce the new junior SELF Fellows.

Cory McCoy, '15



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