

Invitation to the Inaugural Meeting of the North American Wind Energy Academy

August 7th-9th

University of Massachusetts Amherst

The University of Massachusetts Amherst is pleased to host the inaugural meeting of the North American Wind Energy Academy (NAWEA) this summer from August 7th-9th. NAWEA is an organization of universities, research laboratories, and industry participants dedicated to coordinating wind energy research and education activities in order to advance the state of wind energy technology and to develop the next generation of wind energy engineers, researchers, scientists, and innovators in the United States.

AGENDA

August 7th

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. A 1 day workshop on the FAST code presented by Dr. Jason Jonkman from the National Renewable Energy Laboratory.

August 8th

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. A lecture series presented by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on atmospheric sciences for wind energy.

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. NAWEA Kick-off session including speeches from international experts:

- Mark O'Malley, Professor of Electrical Engineering, University College Dublin
- Walt Musial, Principal Engineer, National Wind Technology Center
- Michael Goggin, American Wind Energy Association
- More to come!

August 9th

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (*Parallel session*). Graduate student conference and networking session (see below for details).

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (*Parallel session*). Meeting of university members to discuss curriculum coordination in wind energy.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- If you plan to attend, please RSVP to X by Y/Y/2012.
- Registration fee: Graduate students: \$100, all others: \$200.
- Payment can be made at X

ACCOMMODATIONS, TRAVEL, AND OTHER INFORMATION

- Hotel:
- Meals: Breakfast and lunch will be provided on all three days. Dinner will be provided on August 8th.
- Airport: Bradley International Airport is the closest airport to UMass, less than a one hour drive.
- website

GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE AND NETWORKING SESSION

The morning of August 9th will feature a graduate student conference and networking session, inspired by a similar event in Europe. The purpose of the event is to allow graduate students to present their research and discuss it with their peers in a more casual environment than a traditional conference. Students who only have preliminary results or are early in their thesis are encouraged to present and get feedback from their peers. Time will be set aside for networking and discussion as well as presentations. Each presentation will be X minutes including questions. Faculty and other professionals will not be in attendance.

If you are interested in presenting, please email X with the title of your thesis.