USF Teams of Civil and Environmental Students Take First at Florida Water Resources Conference

At the recent 2016 Florida Water Resources Conference, both teams of University of South Florida civil and environmental engineering students won first prize (in the wastewater and environmental divisions). The conference was held in April at Gaylord Palms Resort in Kissimmee, FL.

The Florida Water Environment Association Student Design Competition is intended to promote "real world" design experience for students interested in pursuing an education and / or career in water engineering and sciences.

This year the students worked on projects for the City of Plant City. The winning teams will now compete at a national competition in New Orleans in September.

The two winning teams were:

Supplementary Sludge Management (Solar Drying) Process for City of Plant City Water Reclamation Facility

Rebecca Braz (Project Manager) Krystin Kadonsky Poe Poe Min Hlaing Christin Gentz Maria Reed

Developing Solutions for the City of Plant City's Water Reclamation Facility to Handle Increased Septage Loads Due to the Ban from FL SB 550

Monica Resto (Project Manager) Dillon Forsyth Wainella Isaacs Madeline Kender Jonathan Knudsen Vittoria Zucchelli