

# PUERTO RICO



## ACES/Engineering Global Service Learning Disaster Relief Projects: Hurricane Maria

**INFO SESSIONS:** Thursday, Nov 30 @ 12pm in the Sims Room, ACES Library & Friday Dec 1 @ 12pm in 4101 MSEB. Free pizza lunch provided!

**CREDITS:** Sp '18 ABE 498 (open to all majors/classes on campus)

**DATES:** February 19 to April 13, 2018, with travel during Spring Break

**PROGRAM SUMMARY:** This course is a faculty led study tour to Puerto Rico designed to develop a pathway towards sustainable responses for disaster relief efforts. Students will investigate background cultural, political, and social factors that preceded recent events within Puerto Rico and will influence sustainability and viability of solutions.

Prior to departure, training in the assessment of the viability of potential technological solutions responding to current challenges for the local societies after the disaster, and in the safety issues associated with entering potentially dangerous areas will occur in class. Students will work with local communities, aid organizations, and peer institutions in development of sustainable responses to recent events in Puerto Rico, then document their visit and their assessments providing a prioritized action plan for future sustainable development.

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