

OSU TAKES FIRST PLACE overall at the 4th Annual Undergraduate Seismic Design Competition, sponsored by the Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research (PEER) Center and co-sponsored by the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI). This national competition held in Los Angeles, CA, is an opportunity to design, analyze, fabricate, and subject a scaled balsa wood model of a high-rise office building to earthquake motions. Judging is based on the annual income of the building (based on rental income, initial costs, and seismic cost) and predictions of performance. There are also architecture, poster, and presentation components to the scoring. OSU team participants include Jeremy Mikkelsen, Beth McNair, Josh Leher, Sarah Martin, and Joe Henry. Congratulations to our team, who beat out Berkeley, Texas, and SUNY Buffalo (as well as UCSD!). Competition results [here](#).

