



## Leading Universities in Brazil Join Be Careers

The Federal University of São Carlos and Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, have joined Bentley's Be Careers Network. Through this programme, students and educators gain access to the same professional-grade software and training used by leading design and engineering firms.

The <u>Be Careers Network</u> provides a software suite encompassing the full range of infrastructure disciplines, blended learning that includes technology training via online learning, professional networking via the <u>Be Communities</u> networking site, scholarships, and much more.

Professor Guilherme A. Parsekian, Ph.D., coordinator of Civil Engineering Course, Federal University of São Carlos, said, "The partnership between Bentley and the Federal University of São Carlos allows our teaching staff and students to have direct contact with the latest commercial software tools. I believe that the use of such important technology during students' academic years will have a positive impact on their professional futures."

Scott Lofgren, Bentley global director of Be Careers Network, said, "Engineering and architecture graduates with the skills needed to improve the infrastructure of Brazil are in huge demand. A steady influx of new infrastructure professionals is crucial to support the continued expansion of this country's burgeoning economy through the creation of roads, bridges, power plants, water distribution systems, and other infrastructure that sustains the economy and the environment."

Lofgren continued, "Recently added features of our innovative program include the ability of students to earn Bentley Learning Units for their use of Bentley products within academic courses. These Learning Units will appear on their personal Bentley Professional Training Transcripts, which they can show to prospective employers once they graduate, enhancing their job prospects. And this past year, Bentley deployed its new STUDENTserver. This programme assists students as well as faculty by providing for the online delivery of the Bentley software and training available to them through the Be Careers academic subscription. It also gives them the opportunity to network with infrastructure professionals through Bentley's Be Communities social networking site. Both of these new offerings are available today to the numerous university students and faculty across Brazil who are actively engaged in our Be Careers Network."

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