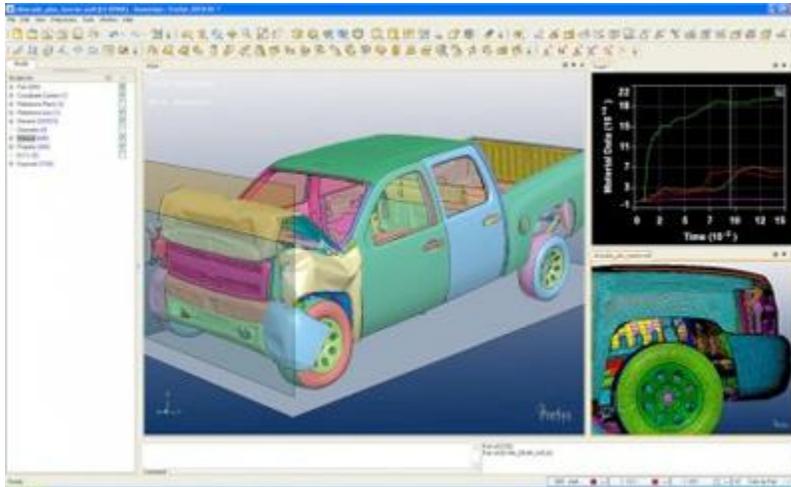


EMU receives second gift of software from Troy engineering firm

YPSILANTI - Engineering Technology Associates, Inc. (ETA), a firm specializing in structural analysis for the auto industry, has for the second time donated cutting-edge mechanical engineering software to Eastern Michigan University's College of Technology as part of their collaboration aimed at preparing students for real-world challenges and jobs.



ETA, located in Troy, will also provide training on the software for faculty members of EMU's College of Technology.

"Through this collaboration, students and faculty at the College of Technology would have opportunities to participate in industrial projects that require innovation and creativity in dealing with real-world challenges," said Dr. Ali Eydgahi, Professor in the School of Engineering Technology. "This experience provides more employment options for our students with local industries in demanding areas."

The software tools to be made available to the College include DYNIFORM, VPG and PreSys. DYNIFORM will provide students experience creating and analyzing metal forming simulations. PreSys will allow students to create advanced models that visualize where structures bend or twist, and VPG will offer students hands-on experience creating simulations such as crash/safety or structural analysis.

EMU's College of Technology prepares students for employment opportunities where they use technological and management skills to secure a more sustainable future. Programs of study within the college point toward careers in areas including aviation, construction management, engineering technology, computer design, simulation, animation and gaming, information assurance, hotel and restaurant management, and interior design just to name a few. Graduate programs are focused at advancing the careers of those who are engaged in the world of work and are tailored to fit the career needs of the students.

The College of Technology also offers a doctorate in technology, which provides students with an advanced program of study that focuses on research in applied technology areas. The program prepares graduates for positions of increased responsibility in settings such as faculty in higher education, in high-level management positions in industry and government, and in policy analysis and research careers. For additional information on EMU and the College of Technology, visit <http://www.emich.edu/cot/>

Engineering Technology Associates, Inc. was established in 1983 by advanced product development engineers working as structural analysts for the world's largest automotive manufacturers. ETA's expertise lies in areas such as product design and development, vehicle durability, crashworthiness and occupant safety.

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