

Department of Mechanical Engineering Awarded Equipment Funding from Kiewit Corporation

Kiewit Corporation (Kiewit) continues to grow their partnership with South Dakota School of Mines & Technology's Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME). Kiewit has long been a destination company for South Dakota Mines grads. Kiewit is helping the ME department grow the hands-on lab component in an already strong program. Kiewit funds are used for equipment procurement to improve the capability and capacity of manufacturing equipment used to train ME students in design for manufacturing. The equipment is also serving the entire campus for student and research project builds. The recent allocation of \$10,000 will go towards the purchase of a larger, more capable vertical machining center. South Dakota Mines students develop their skills on the equipment they will use in their industry positions. Kiewit is also active in curriculum development through online faculty training, cooperative educator experiences, on-site visits, and direct feedback of industry trends.



Pictured left to right: Emily Emond (BSME25), Zac Hogan (BSME22), and Russell Phillips (BSME22), working in the main mechanical engineering manufacturing lab.