

Mailer 1- Student Chapter Registration & Symposium Information



2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium University of New Orleans Symposium dates March 7-9

October 17, 2023

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the Gulf Coast Student Conference:

This is your **2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium** Mailer I, the first of three informational packets to be sent to each of the participating ASCE Student Chapters in our Student Conference.

Please carefully read through this information and forward copies to the appropriate members in your Student Chapter and team members for each of the teams competing at the student symposium. Do not delete this mailer as information given within may not be repeated in subsequent mailers. Enclosed you will find the following information:

- [Receipt confirmation](#),
- [Upcoming deadlines](#),
- [Student chapter registration form](#),
- [Student Symposium Paper Competition information](#),
- [ASCE competition eligibility requirements](#),
- [Competition rules and resources](#)
- [Tentative student symposium schedule/plans](#)

Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by emailing the enclosed form by October 30, 2023. Please note the school registration deadline is **November 30, 2023**.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the student symposium e-mail address: gcss@uno.edu. All mailers, etc. will be posted on our website: <https://studentsymposium.asce.org/gulf-coast/>

We look forward to your participation in the 2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium providing you an opportunity to engage with other student chapters and ASCE Region Leadership.

Sincerely,

Javohn Washington, Conference Chair & Gianna Cothren, Faculty Advisor
University of New Orleans
2024 ASCE Student Symposium

ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium Website: [ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium Website](#)
General symposium email address: gcss@uno.edu

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RECEIPT CONFIRMATION

Complete Receipt Confirmation using this Form:

[School Registration Form Link](https://forms.gle/Gq9bjZZduf7moCrQ8)

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If your student chapter plans to compete in the Student Steel Bridge Competition, please complete the [Student Steel Bridge Competition - ASCE Student Chapter Participation Form](#) by November 3, 2023. Completing this form is necessary to receive your SSBC stipend. Note that at the end of this form, you will be asked to upload the SSBC Intent and Eligibility Acknowledgement form. This form can be found on the ASCE website [here](#).

Information you will need to complete the participation form: SSBC Faculty Advisor name and email address, team captain name and email address, and school mailing address for stipend and awards.

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UPCOMING DEADLINES

October 30th	Mailer I Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter
November 3rd	Student Steel Bridge Participation Form due
November 3rd	Intent and Eligibility Acknowledgement Form due from each team intending to compete in a Society-wide or Society Pilot Competition – <i>Concrete Canoe, Student Steel Bridge, Sustainable Solutions, Surveying. (one form is required for each competition)</i>
November 3rd	Concrete Canoe Preliminary Project Delivery Schedule and RFQ Pre-Qualification Form due
November 30th	Student Chapter Registration due (postmarked)
December 14th	Mailer II sent to each student chapter
January 2nd, 2024	Mailer II Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter
January 8th	Surveying Competition Task 1A Mapping Project released to teams by 5:00pm EST in the ASCE UESI Surveying Competition Collaborate Site
January 19th	Attendee Registration due (postmark date if mailing)
February 1st	ASCE Student Chapter Annual Reports due by 11:59 pm EST to ASCE. <i>(More information on Annual Reports can be found here. If you have questions on your Annual Report, email student@asce.org). Submitting the ASCE Student Chapter Annual Report is an eligibility requirement to compete at the Student Symposia Competitions and to advance to Society-wide Competition Finals. See the eligibility requirements for details.</i>
February 1st	ASCE Student Chapter annual dues must be paid, as received by ASCE, no later than 11:59 p.m. EST. <i>Paying ASCE Student Chapter annual dues</i>

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is an [eligibility requirement](#) to compete at the Student Symposia Competitions and to advance to Society-wide Competition Finals. See the [eligibility requirements](#) for details.

- February 1st** Mailer III (final) sent to each student chapter. (Final schedule, waiver information, safety protocols, final reminders)
- February 15th** Student Symposium Paper Competition Submission due to gcss@uno.edu
- February 15th** Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter
- February 15th** Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist and Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and Sketchup files due
(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)
- February 16th** Concrete Canoe Project Proposal, Mix Design Sheets, and Materials Notebook due *(Upload to respective folder link provided by ASCE)*
- February 26th** Surveying Competition Task 1A Projects due by 5:00pm EST
(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)
- March 7th - 9th** 2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium

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STUDENT CHAPTER REGISTRATION

Chapter Registration is due before **November 30, 2023**.

Please visit our symposium website at [ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium Website](#) to register your chapter for the 2024 ASCE Student Symposium.

Please fill out the Chapter Registration Form by **November 30, 2023**.

\$300 per chapter by November 30, 2023 (*must be postmarked*)

\$450 per chapter *after* November 30, 2023, due by January 1, 2024

Checks made out to: University of New Orleans, **add "Your University name – ASCE Chapter Registration" in the memo line.**

Please send payment to:

University of New Orleans Foundation

Attention: Gift Processing

2021 Lakeshore Drive, Suite 420

New Orleans, LA 70122-3540

Please fill out the registration information below **no later than November 30, 2023**.

If your chapter is not participating in the 2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium, please email gcss@uno.edu by November 30.

[Click Here](#) to complete the Student Chapter Registration Form.

Individual Registration

Individual registration information will be provided in Mailer 2 in December.

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STUDENT SYMPOSIUM PAPER COMPETITION

([ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT](#))

This is a mandatory paper submission and presentation for any student chapter participating in the 2024 ASCE Student Symposium that wishes to be eligible to advance to ASCE Society-wide competition finals and SSBC National Finals. Competitions **requiring** this include: ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition, ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition, ASCE UESI Surveying Competition, and AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition.

The ASCE Student Symposium Paper Competition emphasizes the importance of being able to write and present a paper as essential communication skills for all engineers and often necessary for advancement in your career.

Participation in the Student Symposium Paper Competition, including submission and presentation by a member of the of the ASCE Student Chapter, is a requirement to be eligible to advance to an ASCE Society-wide competition finals and SSBC National Finals.

Note that any papers/presentations created for any other competition do not count as an entry into the Student Symposium Paper Competition.

The topic for the ASCE Gulf Coast Student Symposium Paper Competition is explained on the [symposium website](#).

Submission deadline is February 15, 2024

Submission email/link is gcss@uno.edu , Email Subject line: *Your University Name Paper Competition Entry*

This topic is the same topic as the [Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students](#). However, the Student Symposium Paper Competition and the Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students are **two separate competitions** and must be submitted separately. The Student Symposium Paper Competition paper is due February 15, 2024, and submitted to gcss@uno.edu. The [Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students](#) is due March 1st and submitted to student@asce.org.

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ASCE SOCIETY-WIDE COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Competitions that advance to an ASCE Society-wide Competitions Finals include: ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition, ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition, and ASCE UESI Surveying Competition. The AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition advances to the SSBC National Finals and follows the eligibility requirements below. See [SSBC Rules](#) for more information.

Invitations to Student Symposia and ASCE Student Civil Engineering Championships/Society-wide Competition Finals are a privilege, not a right. Failure to act professionally can result in letters of reprimand, mandatory behavior management plans, and loss of invitations to further competition for individual institutions and/or entire conferences. Please note that the requirements for eligibility for Society-wide competition finals are more stringent than the requirements for participation at the student symposia competitions.

Eligibility for Student Symposium Competition

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters to compete at the Student Symposia Competitions:

An ASCE Student Chapter must:

1. Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - a. Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.**
 - b. Have submitted their student chapter's full Annual Report or EZ Annual Reporting Form **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Eligibility for ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters in order to advance to the ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals:

An ASCE Student Chapter must:

1. Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - a. Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.**
 - b. Have submitted their student chapter's **full Annual Report**, **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST** and have received a minimum score of 25 points out of a possible 100. **Student Chapters that submit an EZ annual reporting form do not qualify** to advance on to competition finals; and
2. Attend and participate in their assigned Student Symposium as shown through their school's:
 - a. On-time attendance and active participation by a member of the ASCE Student Chapter at the Student Symposium Business Meeting.
 - b. Participation in the Student Symposium Paper Competition, including submission and presentation by a member of the ASCE Student Chapter. Note that any papers/presentations created for any other competition do not count as an entry into the Student Symposium Paper Competition.

Questions regarding eligibility should be directed to student@asce.org.

COMPETITION RULES AND RESOURCES

Society-wide competition rules can be found at:

<https://www.asce.org/communities/student-members/conferences/rules>.

Student Chapter Resources Needed for Society Competitions and Events

Please visit [ASCE Society-wide Competition Rules & Regulations](#) to view the “2024 ASCE Student Symposium Society Competitions and Events - Student Chapter Resources Table”. This resource table outlines student chapter resources and time needed to compete in each of the Society-wide competitions, pilot competitions, and events. (Note that this is guidance and estimates. Student chapters should use their judgment and take their specific circumstances into account when planning and preparing for competitions.)

Paper and Presentation Competition

- Student Symposium Paper Competition (**Participation is a requirement for advancement to Society-wide competition finals and SSBC National Finals.**)

Society-wide Competition

- ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition
- AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition
- ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition
- ASCE UESI Surveying Competition

Regional Competitions (rules to be posted on our website soon)

- Concrete Beam
- Possible Geotechnical Competition
- Possible Other Regional Competition
- Possible Mystery Competition

Spirit Competitions (rules to be posted on our website soon)

- Mystery Event
- Tug-o-War

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TENTATIVE SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE & HOTEL INFORMATION

We encourage all chapters to consider staying in Metairie, LA. Please visit our symposium website for a list of hotels within 10 miles of the University of New Orleans: <https://studentsymposium.asce.org/gulf-coast/>

2024 ASCE Gulf Coast Region Student Symposium Tentative Schedule

	Location	Thursday March 7	Friday March 8	Saturday March 9
Morning	Activities		Concrete Canoe Races & Display Surveying Competition Regional Competition	Steel Bridge Competition Regional Competition Sustainable Solutions
	Location	UNO University Center	Bayou St. John	UNO University Center
Afternoon	Activities	Registration Pop-Up Workshop Tank Swamp Test Topo Map Presentation (Tentative) Sustainable Solutions Poster Preview (Tentative)	Concrete Canoe Races & Display Surveying Competition	Steel Bridge Competition Spirit Competitions
	Location	UNO University Center	UNO Sandbar	UNO Merrick Deck
Evening	Activities	Concrete Canoe & Surveying Captain's Meetings Mystery event Welcome	Business Meeting Networking Event	Awards Fais Do Do