

# ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium



# ISWS

University of Utah

## Mailer 3

Registration & Symposium  
Information

April 16 - 18, 2026



# Registration & Symposium Information

Dear Student Chapter of the ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium (ISWS),

This is your 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium Mailer 3. This is the last of three information packets that will be sent to the participating ASCE Student Chapters in our Student Symposium.

Please carefully read this information and forward copies to the appropriate members in your ASCE Student Chapter and students for each team competing at the student symposium. Do not delete this information packet. Enclosed, you will find the following information:

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**Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by completing the Mailer 3 Acknowledgment Form by March 27, 2026.**

**Please note the individual registration deadline was March 1, 2026.**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at [isws2026.uofu@gmail.com](mailto:isws2026.uofu@gmail.com). All symposium information, including events, mailers, policies, and rules, etc., will be posted on our [website](#).

We look forward to your participation in the 2026 Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium, providing an opportunity to engage with other student chapters and ASCE Region Leadership.

Sincerely,



*Sophia Speedy*  
Sophia Speedy  
2026 ISWS Planning Chair



*Katy Lam*  
Katy Lam  
2025-2026 Chapter President

# Mailer 3

## Receipt Confirmation

Follow the QR code or link below to complete the Mailer 3 confirmation due no later than March 30, 2026.

*If your chapter will NOT be participating in the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium, please indicate that on the Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation Form.*

[Click Here](#)



# Safety-First Culture Information

ASCE and the University of Utah are encouraging a Safety-First Culture during the student symposium. We encourage all symposium participants to embrace this concept by thinking about safety in their activities coming to, returning from, and while at our symposium. We want every symposium participant to return home safe and healthy.

To support a safety-first culture, we will provide important safety information to attendees before and during the symposium. A designated symposium safety officer will be announced soon, and their contact information will be shared once confirmed. In the meantime, please watch for updates such as the location of first-aid supplies, identification of participants with first-aid training, and brief Safety Moments throughout the event.

What is a Safety Moment? A Safety Moment consists of a quick discussion on an activity-specific, site-specific, or general safety topic. The Safety Moment may be presented by the leader of an activity, the symposium safety officer, or a member of the host symposium planning team. We ask that all participants give their undivided attention to the Safety Moment discussion and embrace the safety-first concept.

If an injury does occur during the symposium, it should be reported to the competition head judge, symposium safety officer, or activity leader immediately so that appropriate action can be taken based on the injury. If it is an emergency, please call 911 first.

Contact information for the symposium safety officer and key host school representatives is listed below. Please keep this list close during the symposium, and we encourage you to program the symposium safety officer's phone number into your cell phone.

## Safety Officer

Luis Ibarra  
luis.ibarra@utah.edu  
801-585-9307

## Safety Officer

Courtney Phillips  
courtney.phillips@utah.edu  
801-581-6678

## Closest Hospital

University of Utah  
Hospital  
50 Medical Dr N, Salt  
Lake City, UT 84132

# Safety-First Culture Information

**As a best practice, we strongly recommend that faculty advisors keep and maintain on-hand a list of emergency contact information for their university and participating students. ASCE and the student symposium host do not collect emergency contact information from registrants.**

In the spirit of a Safety Moment, here are some safe driving habits to keep in mind as you travel to the student symposium:

- Driving at the speed limit has proven to save lives.
- Do not drive when tired. Swap drivers often.
- Minimum of two people awake at all times when wheels are rolling.
- Be aware of how larger/heavier vehicles behave when stopping or turning
- Be aware of your surroundings when backing up any vehicle, especially trailers. Better yet, avoid backing up at all, if possible.
- Use a spotter to watch when you must back up a vehicle.
- Slow down when the conditions warrant (rain, snow, ice, fog, darkness, pedestrians nearby).
- Perform a circle of safety around your vehicle to identify what is in your blind spots.

# Competition Safety Information

**Please see the competition rules for full details. If there is a discrepancy between the rules and the information listed below, the competition rules are to be followed.**

**ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition:** Safety gear (closed-toe water shoes and Personal Floatation Device (life jacket) for each paddler) is the responsibility of each team. (Exhibit 8: Race Regulations & Safety)

**AISC ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition:** Personal protective equipment is the responsibility of each team. During all construction activities, builders must wear hard hats and protective eyewear or safety goggles (Section 10.1.6). During all loading activities, competitors must wear hard hats, protective eyewear or safety goggles, work gloves, and steel-toe or composite work boots that extend above the ankle. Steel or composite toe caps over leather work boots are acceptable (Section 11.2.1.3). The hardhats must meet ANSI standard Z89.1, and the protective eyewear or safety goggles must meet ANSI standard Z87.1

**Surveying Competition:** Team members are responsible for providing their own required safety equipment, including closed-toe shoes and safety-colored shirts or vests, to participate in the field tasks. (Section 6: Safety)

**Timber-Strong Design Build Competition:** Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear – Each team is responsible for bringing their own tools, safety gear, and personal protective equipment (PPE), including but not limited to construction hard hats, safety glasses, gloves (tips of gloves may not be cut off), closed-toed shoes, long pants, and safety vests or high-visibility shirts. Long hair needs to be tied back at the construction site. Please see Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear for information on power tools and Section 4.5 for additional safety information.

**ASCE 3D Printing Competition:** Teams are responsible for providing their own eye protection, work gloves, and closed-toe shoes, which must be worn by all active participants handling the bridge and during loading and testing. Section 5.4.3: Safety

**Concrete Bowling:** Team members are responsible for providing their own required safety equipment, including closed-toe shoes.



# Business Meeting

The Business Meeting is scheduled to take place on Friday, April 17, 2026, at 4:00 pm.

The draft business meeting agenda is attached to the Mailer 3 email. If you have additional agenda items and/or motions that your student chapter would like to be included in the agenda, please submit them to [isws2026.uofu@gmail.com](mailto:isws2026.uofu@gmail.com) by March 27, 2026.

The business meeting is the annual meeting for the Student Symposium Board of Delegates. The Board of Delegates consists of two student delegates (preferably a senior or junior in an ASCE leadership position and a sophomore in or aspiring to an ASCE leadership position) and the faculty advisor from each student chapter. Each student delegate must be a member in good standing with their student chapter and the Society. Each student chapter in the Student Conference has one vote.

**At least one member of your ASCE student chapter must participate in the Business Meeting as part of the eligibility requirements to advance to finals for Concrete Canoe, Steel Bridge, Sustainable Solutions, and Surveying.**

**[Click here for ASCE Eligibility Requirements](#)**

# Important Upcoming Deadlines

**We recommend that you share this information with your chapter, including any competition captains.**

- March 13                      Mailer 3 sent to each student chapter.
- March 13                      Transportation final date to request information (RFI). Requests are to be directed via email to [isws2026.uofu@gmail.com](mailto:isws2026.uofu@gmail.com), with the subject line: RFI\_Transportation Design - [School Name].
- March 26                      Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist, Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and SketchUp files are due. *(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)*
- March 26 by  
11:59 PM MST              Concrete bowling ball mix design table due. Email mix design table to [isws2026.uofu@gmail.com](mailto:isws2026.uofu@gmail.com) with the subject line: Concrete Bowling Mix - [School Name].
- March 26 by  
11:59 PM MST              Transportation report due in PDF format due. Submit your report via email to [isws2026.uofu@gmail.com](mailto:isws2026.uofu@gmail.com) with the subject line "Transportation Report – [School Name]"
- March 30                      Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.
- April 9                         Timber-Strong Design Build - All Change Orders and final submittals uploaded to ASCE's Cerberus ftp server. *(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)*
- April 16 - 18                 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium

*Note: Please see [competition rules](#) for RFI deadlines and competition components that are required at the student symposium.*

# Map, Directions, and Parking Information

## University of Utah Campus Map



Equipment Unloading & Loading Map

Trailer Parking



# Map, Directions, and Parking Information

## Jordanelle Reservoir Map



# Non-Competition Event Information

## Registration:

- Wednesday, April 15, 2026, from 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM in the University of Utah Union Corridor

## Welcoming Ceremony & Safety Reminders:

- Thursday, April 16, 2026, from 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM in the University of Utah Union Ballroom

## Career Fair:

- Friday, April 17, 2026, from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM in the Warnock Engineering Building

## ASCE Information Table:

- Friday, April 17, 2026, from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM in the Warnock Engineering Building
- Stop by the table to learn more about ASCE

## Business Meeting:

- Friday, April 17, 2026, from 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM in the Warnock Engineering Building
- By invitation only, see page 8

## Banquet/Awards Ceremony:

- Saturday, April 18, 2026, at The Grand America.
- Business casual attire

## Trailer Parking:

- Trailers can park in Lot 39 - Merrill Engineering

# Question & Answer

- Who can park in Lot 39?
  - Only student chapter trailers are permitted to park in Lot 39. Trailers must fit entirely within designated pull-through spots. Passenger vehicles are not allowed in this lot and will be ticketed. Participants are strongly encouraged to use UTA public transportation to access the campus.
- What happens if our vehicle gets a ticket?
  - If a student chapter vehicle receives a citation from parking enforcement, the University of Utah will not be responsible for paying it. All parking areas will be clearly marked. If you have questions, please email us in advance or speak with a volunteer on-site.
- Where can we park passenger vehicles?
  - We recommend parking at your hotel or using public parking options near TRAX stations and bus stops. If your chapter chooses to park on campus, please note that the University of Utah will not cover parking costs (except for trailer parking).
- Where can we unload Timber Strong and Steel Bridge equipment?
  - A designated loading and unloading area will be available closer to the Union, where the competitions will take place. Additional details, including chapter-specific unload/load times and maps, will be shared soon.
- Do we have to pay to enter the Jordanelle Reservoir?
  - No. All student chapter vehicles will receive a parking pass before the event. Drivers must present this pass upon arrival. These passes are only valid for student chapter vehicles, volunteers, and judges. If your student chapter loses the parking pass, your chapter will be responsible for covering the entry fee.
- Is there parking at the Grand America?
  - The University of Utah will not be providing parking for the final banquet at the Grand America. We recommend attendees use UTA TRAX, which stops within a one-minute walk. Chapters choosing to park onsite will be responsible for the cost (\$16-\$20).
- Packing recommendations for concrete canoe races
  - Canopy tents, chairs, and additional snacks
  - Swimsuit
  - Sun protection (hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, etc.)
  - Attendees swim at their own risk (no lifeguard will be on duty)
  - Please note that the water at Jordanelle Reservoir may be cold, so paddlers should plan clothing accordingly.

**All events at the ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium are dry events. Alcohol and drugs of any kind are strictly prohibited.**



# Competition Presentation & Display Information

**All Competitions:** Each student team that presents is required to bring their digital presentation on a USB. The host will provide laptops and projector equipment.

*Please see the competition rules for full details. If there is a discrepancy between the rules and the information listed below, the competition rules are to be followed.*

**ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition:** Teams are responsible for providing all necessary materials for the display portion of the competition. ([Section 7: Prototype Display Requirements](#)).

**AISC ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition:** Teams are responsible for providing all necessary materials for the aesthetic display portion of the competition. ([Section 6.2.1](#))

## **Surveying Competition:**

**Topographic Map Display:** It is the responsibility of each team to bring one (1) 24-inch by 36-inch paper copy set of the topographic mapping project to the symposium and give to the student symposium host at check-in, which will be used for public display at the student symposium ([Section 7.3, Paper Copy Submittals](#)). The sheets of the paper copy must match the electronic submission.

*(This copy is for the public display and does not replace the required online submission due on February 23, 2026, by 5:00 pm EST.)*

- Teams are encouraged to bring a standard 6ft tablecloth displaying your school's name, logo, or chapter name for the Topo Map Display Session (not required).
- Teams should plan to stay with their topo map public display to discuss their project with spectators.

**Field Task Equipment:** Please refer to [Appendix D, Equipment List](#), in the rules for a full list of required items for the competition. All items must be supplied by each individual team at the symposium competition.

## **Sustainable Solutions:**

**Poster Session:** Teams will be responsible for providing their own easel for the poster presentation. You can find standard 63" poster board easels online. Easel [Example](#).

- Teams will be expected to stay with their poster during the display to discuss their project with spectators.

# Competition Presentation & Display Information

**ASCE 3D Printing Competition:** Teams will be responsible for providing their own easel for the poster presentation. You can find standard 63" poster board easels online. Easel [Example](#).

**ASCE Construction Institute Competition:** All teams should come prepared with a laptop. Laptops or computers will not be provided at the competition. [Section 8:3](#) of the rules state: Teams may bring reference materials, templates, laptops, and planning tools.

**Timber-Strong Design Build Competition:** Teams will be responsible for providing their own easel for the visual aid at the build site, as outlined in [Section 9.2](#) of the rules. You can find standard 63" poster board easels online. [Easel Example](#).

**Student Symposium Paper Competition:** See above in red



# Symposium Schedule

Tuesday April 14		
Event	Time	Location
Timber Strong Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Zoom
Survey Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Zoom

Wednesday April 15		
Event	Time	Location
School Check In	5:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Union Corridor
Timber Strong Unload - Round 1	8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Union Ballroom

## Thursday April 16

Event	Time	Location
Timber Strong Unload - Round 2	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Union Ballroom
Late School Check In	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Union Corridor
Concrete Canoe Display Set Up	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Welcome / Safety Meeting	8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Union Ballroom
Survey Field Tasks	8:30 AM - 11:30 AM	University of Utah Campus
Timber Strong Set Up - Round 1	8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Union Ballroom
Timber Strong Build - Round 1	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Union Ballroom
Concrete Canoe Displays	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Transportation Presentations	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Layton Auditorium
Timber Strong Judge - Round 1	10:30 AM - 11:30 PM	Union Ballroom
Lunch	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Union Patio
Concrete Canoe Display Take Down	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Timber Strong Clean Up - Round 1	1:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Union Ballroom
Survey Field Tasks	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	University of Utah Campus
Steel Bridge Display Set up	1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Concrete Canoe Presentations	2:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Union Theatre
Timber Strong Set Up - Round 2	2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Union Ballroom
Timber Strong Build - Round 2	3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Union Ballroom
Steel Bridge Displays	3:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Timber Strong Judge - Round 2	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM	Union Ballroom
Steel Bridge Judges Only Meeting	5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building
Timber Strong Clean Up - Round 2	5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Union Ballroom
Survey Presentations	5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Layton Auditorium
Steel Bridge Display Take Down	6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Steel Bridge Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building
Sustainable Solutions Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building
3D Printing Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building
Construction Institute Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building

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# Symposium Schedule

Friday April 17		
Event	Time	Location
Safety Meeting	7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Union Ballroom
Steel Bridge Build	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Union Ballroom
Mead Paper Presentations	8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Layton Auditorium
Company Networking Event	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Survey Poster Session	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Sustainable Solutions Poster Session	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building Catmull Gallery
Lunch	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Union Patio
Steel Bridge Build Continued	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Union Ballroom
Mead Paper Presentations Continued	12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Layton Auditorium
Construction Institute Prep	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	University of Utah Campus
Sustainable Solutions Presentations	2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Union Theatre
3D Printing Presentation	3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Layton Auditorium
Construction Institute Practice	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	University of Utah Campus
Construction Institute Presentations	4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Layton Auditorium
3D Printing Build & Test	4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Union Ballroom
Business Meeting	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building
Concrete Canoe Captain's Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Warnock Engineering Building

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Saturday April 18		
Event	Time	Location
Concrete Canoe Offload & Set-up	7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Safety Meeting	8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Breakfast	8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Concrete Canoe Pre Race Test	8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Concrete Bowling	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Concrete Canoe Races	10:00 AM - 3:30 PM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Lunch	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Jordanelle Reservoir
Meet & Greet	6:00 PM - 6:30PM	Grand America Lobby
Dinner	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Grand America Ballroom
Awards Ceremony	7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Grand America Ballroom

# Presentation Schedule

## Transportation Presentations - Thursday April 16

School	Time	Location
ASU	10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Layton auditorium
NAU	10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Layton auditorium
USU	11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Layton auditorium

## Concrete Canoe Presentations - Thursday April 16

School	Time	Location
ASU	2:00 PM - 2:20 PM	Union Theatre
UNLV	2:20 PM - 2:40 PM	Union Theatre
UNR	2:40 PM - 3:00 PM	Union Theatre
BSU	3:00 PM - 3:20 PM	Union Theatre
NAU	3:20 PM - 3:40 PM	Union Theatre
BREAK	3:40 PM - 4:00 PM	Union Theatre
UofA	4:00 PM - 4:20 PM	Union Theatre
USU	4:20 PM - 4:40 PM	Union Theatre
BYU	4:40 PM - 5:00 PM	Union Theatre
BYU-I	5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Union Theatre

## Survey Map Presentations - Thursday April 16

School	Time	Location
ASU	5:30 PM - 5:40 PM	Layton Auditorium
NAU	5:40 PM - 5:50 PM	Layton Auditorium
USU	5:50 PM - 6:00 PM	Layton Auditorium
SLCC	6:00 PM - 6:10 PM	Layton Auditorium

## Construction Institute Presentations - Friday April 17

School	Time	Location
ALL PREP	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	TBD
ALL PRACTICE	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	TBD
ASU	4:00 PM - 4:20 PM	Layton auditorium
UofU	4:20 PM - 4:40 PM	Layton auditorium
NAU	4:40 PM - 5:00 PM	Layton auditorium
USU	5:00 PM - 5:20 PM	Layton auditorium

## Paper Presentations - Friday April 17

School	Time	Location
ASU	8:00 AM - 8:20 AM	Layton auditorium
UofA	8:20 AM - 8:40 AM	Layton auditorium
NAU	8:40 AM - 9:00 AM	Layton auditorium
UNR	9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	Layton auditorium
BREAK	9:20 AM - 9:40 AM	Layton auditorium
UNLV	9:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Layton auditorium
USU	10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Layton auditorium
UofU	10:20 AM - 10:40 AM	Layton auditorium
UVU	10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	Layton auditorium
LUNCH	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Layton auditorium
BYU	12:00 PM - 12:20 PM	Layton auditorium
SLCC	12:20 PM - 12:40 PM	Layton auditorium

## 3D Printing Presentations - Friday April 17

School	Time	Location
ASU	3:00 PM - 3:10 PM	Layton auditorium
NAU	3:10 PM - 3:20 PM	Layton auditorium
USU	3:20 PM - 3:30 PM	Layton auditorium

## Sustainable Solutions Presentations - Friday April 17

School	Time	Location
ASU	2:30 PM - 2:50 PM	Union theatre
UNR	2:50 PM - 3:10 PM	Union theatre
NAU	3:10 PM - 3:30 PM	Union theatre
USU	3:30 PM - 3:50 PM	Union theatre
BYU	3:50 PM - 4:10 PM	Union theatre

Please note that the presentation order is fixed, and presentation times may only be adjusted if needed during the symposium. Each team is responsible for managing any conflicts with overlapping competitions.

# Recommended Apps



## Join our Discord

We will be using Discord to communicate in the weeks before the event and during the competition. Please join to stay out to date.

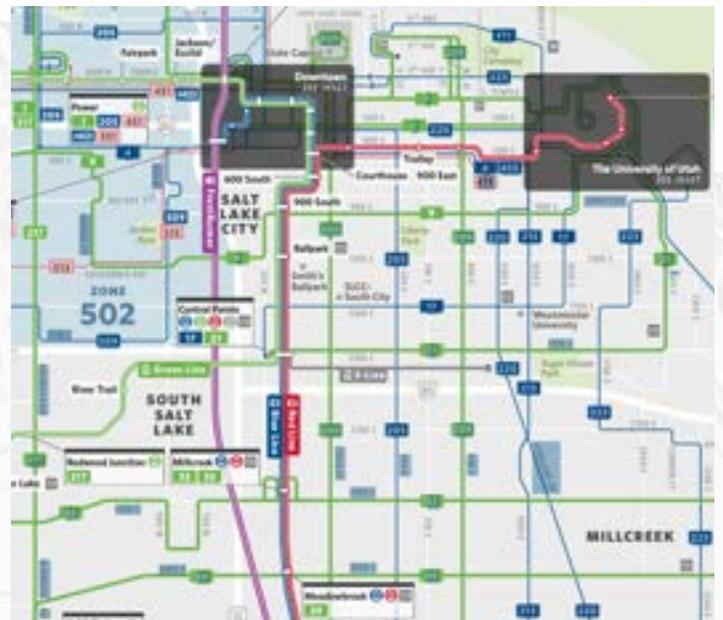
[Click here to join](#)



## Transit App

We recommend you download the Transit app. We will be providing passes to all attendees to get around Salt Lake and to the University of Utah campus. You can use the Transit app to get updated bus and Trax times.

[Click here to download](#)



# Competition Information

## Society Competitions at the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium

Society-wide Competitions Rules can be found at:

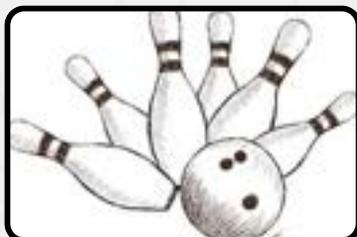
<https://www.asce.org/communities/student-members/conferences/rules>



## Local Competitions at the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium

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

See competition rules below



Concrete Bowling Ball



Transportation

# Student Symposium Paper 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. The competition consists of a paper submission and a presentation at the student symposium.

The topic for the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium Paper Competition is: **Engineering the Public Welfare: How Civil Engineers Engage and Advance Communities Through Ethical Infrastructure Design in accordance with the ASCE Code of Ethics**

**Submission deadline:** March 1, 2026

**Submission form:** <https://forms.gle/of1LkZf3hM2RimEn9>

**Time Limit for Presentations:** 10 minute presentation + 5 minute Q&A

**[Click here for the paper competition rubric](#)**

\*\*All papers must have a statement at the bottom attesting that, except where otherwise cited, the submission is the work of the student author and not AI or NLP. Submissions without this statement will not be considered for recognition.

All student chapters participating in the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium must have papers submitted to the University of Utah by March 1, 2026 using the submission form. A separate submission to ASCE is not required for the Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students Competition, as the student symposium submission will serve as the official entry for both the Student Symposium Paper Competition and the Mead Paper Competition. The winning paper from each student symposium will advance to the Society competition for final review, with the official national winner announced in May 2026.

## **Society-Wide Finals Eligibility Requirements**

Both the paper submission and the presentation are mandatory for any ASCE Student Chapter participating in the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium that wishes to be eligible to advance to ASCE society-wide competition finals and SSBC National Finals. Competitions requiring participation include:

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

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



# ASCE Society Competition

## Eligibility Requirements

Competitions that advance to the ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals include the 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.

The purpose of student competitions is to provide student members with career-enrichment opportunities to gain hands-on, practical experience and leadership skills. Society Competitions are an important and special opportunity to showcase the engineering and professional skills of student teams. As such, mutual respect is required for all stakeholders, including competitors, judges, hosts, and guests. Invitations to the Student Symposia and the ASCE Student Civil Engineering Championships/Society-wide Competition Finals are a privilege, not a right. Failure to act professionally can result in sanctions, disqualifications, and loss of invitations. 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:**

- Be in good standing with ASCE
  - Have paid annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than the start of the Student Symposium**
  - Have submitted the 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 Finals Competition

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

- Be in good standing with ASCE
  - Have paid annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than the start of the Student Symposium**
  - Have submitted the student chapter's **full Annual Report, no later than February 1, 2026, at 11:59 pm 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 to the competition finals.**
- Attend and participate in their assigned Student Symposium as shown through their school
  - On-time attendance and active participation by a member of the ASCE Student Chapter at the Student Symposium Business Meeting
  - 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](mailto:student@asce.org)



# Hotel Information

Please visit <https://www.visitsaltlake.com/places-to-stay/> to explore lodging options for your student chapter. Parking on campus will be limited, so each participant at the 2026 ASCE Intermountain Southwest Student Symposium will receive a complimentary public transit pass valid on buses, TRAX, and FrontRunner.

For convenience, we encourage booking accommodations along the TRAX Red Line, which provides direct service to the University of Utah. A list of suggested hotels near campus is included below. Please visit individual hotel websites for details.

*Note: It is the responsibility of each attendee to reserve and pay for their own accommodations.*



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Guest House**

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**\$190 per night**

110 South Fort  
Douglas Boulevard,  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
84113



**Comfort Inn Salt  
Lake City**

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**\$130 per night**

171 W 500 S, Salt  
Lake City, UT 84101



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City Downtown**

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Lake City, UT 84101

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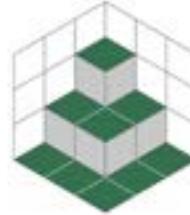
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