



# MAILER 1

Student Chapter Registration and  
Symposium Information

April 10th—12th, 2026

# ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium 2026



October 15th, 2025

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Conference,

This is the first of three mailers for the 2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium, each of which is an informational packet to be sent to each of the participating ASCE Student Chapters in Northern Region 9.

We ask that you and the appropriate members of your ASCE Student Chapter, as well as team members for each competing team at the student symposium, review the information thoroughly. Please note that information within this mailer may not be reflected in future mailers. Mailer 1 includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Receipt confirmation,
- Upcoming deadlines,
- Society competition intent forms,
- Student chapter registration form,
- Student Symposium Paper Competition information,
- ASCE competition eligibility requirements,
- Competition rules and resources,
- Tentative student symposium schedule/plans, and
- Hotel accommodations/information.

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*Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by completing the online Mailer I Acknowledgement Form by **October 31st, 2025**. Please note the school registration deadline is **December 1st, 2025**.*

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If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at our general email address, listed below. All information about the symposium will be posted on our website, which can be found below.

We look forward to your participation in the 2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium, which will provide an opportunity to engage with other student chapters and ASCE Region 9 Leadership.

Sincerely,

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Website: [studentsymposium.asce.org/mid-pacific](https://studentsymposium.asce.org/mid-pacific) Email: [ascemidpac2026@gmail.com](mailto:ascemidpac2026@gmail.com)

**Hosted by San José State University**





## **Mailer I Acknowledgement Confirmation**

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**Follow the link below to complete the Mailer 1 Acknowledgement Form by October 31st, 2025.**

### **[Mailer 1 Acknowledgement Confirmation Form](#)**




*If your chapter will NOT be participating in the 2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium, please email [ascemidpac2026@gmail.com](mailto:ascemidpac2026@gmail.com).*

# ASCE Society Competition Intent Forms

## REQUIREMENT TO COMPETE

Statement of Intent and Acknowledgement of Eligibility Requirements must be filled out for **EACH** ASCE Society Competition to compete. Please click the links below to fill out the intent form for the competitions your chapter plans to compete in. **(Please see the bottom of the next page for the Timber Strong Interest information.)**

## ASCE SOCIETY-WIDE COMPETITIONS

| Competition      | ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition<br>  | AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition<br>   | ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition<br>                          |
|------------------|---|---|--|
| Intent form link | <a href="#">ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition Statement of Intent to Compete</a>   | <a href="#">AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition Statement of Intent to Compete</a>   | Submission of Proposal and Qualifications Package due (uploaded to ASCE server, <a href="#">see rules</a> )                                      |
| Due date         | November 3, 2025, by 5:00pm, Eastern Time   | November 3, 2025, by 5:00pm, Eastern Time   | November 3, 2025, by 5:00pm, Eastern Time  |
| Add'l info       | Must be completed by team captain and faculty advisor(s). A separate form will be submitted by each person. Completing this form is necessary to receive the unique link for uploading the competition submissions. ASCE will send links in mid-February to the team captain. | Must be completed by team captain and faculty advisor(s). A separate form will be submitted by each person. Completing this form is necessary to receive your SSBC stipend. | Please visit the <a href="#">2026 ASCE Concrete Canoe Request for Proposals - Rules</a> to review the required forms and submission information. |



## Local Competitions

### Student Symposium Paper Competition

*Participation is a requirement for advancement to Society-wide finals competitions and SSBC National Finals.*

### Water Treatment Competition

*Teams design and build a water filtration system that treats contaminated water to meet safe drinking standards under real-world constraints.*

*Rules Available: End of October/Early November*

### Transportation Competition

*Students solve a transportation engineering problem, such as traffic flow, planning, or safety, using data analysis and innovative design solutions.*

*Rules Available: Within this week*

### Geowall Competition

*Competitors design and construct a mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) retaining wall with paper reinforcement to support heavy loads without failure.*

*Rules Available: Within this week*

### Mini Games

*Details and rules for mini games will be published in Mailer 2*

### Interest Form Timber Strong Competition

**(If interested, please say YES to the question in the Confirmation Form up above)**

**Due: Wednesday, October 22nd**

**\*If enough schools are interested we will host this competition.\***

*\*Note, Rules will be posted here: [studentsymposium.asce.org/mid-pacific](https://studentsymposium.asce.org/mid-pacific)*

## Upcoming Important Deadlines

Important dates for coordinators are highlighted in light green.

Important dates for Society-wide finals eligibility are highlighted in light yellow.

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

\*Please see competition rules for RFI deadlines and competition components that are submitted/required at the student symposium.\*

### 2025 DEADLINES

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| <b>October 31</b>                          | <b>Mailer 1 Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter</b>  |
| <b>November 3, by 5:00 pm Eastern Time</b> | <p><b>Statement of Intent &amp; Acknowledgement of Eligibility Requirements Form due from each team intending to compete in a Society-wide or Society Pilot Competition – Concrete Canoe, Student Steel Bridge, Sustainable Solutions, Surveying, Construction Institute, Timber-Strong, and 3D Printing.</b></p> <p><i>One form is required for each competition and must be filled out by the team captain and faculty advisor. <u>The online form* must be completed by the team captain and faculty advisor(s). Each person will submit a separate form. (See previous pages for intent form links.)</u></i></p> <p><i>* Concrete Canoe forms can be found in the <a href="#">2026 ASCE Concrete Canoe Request for Proposals - Rules</a>.</i></p> |
| <b>November 3, by 5:00 pm Eastern Time</b> | <b>Concrete Canoe Competition: Submission of Proposal and Qualifications Package due.</b>   |
| <b>December 1</b><br>(postmarked by)       | <b>Student Chapter registration is due (see instructions on page 10)</b>  |



## 2026 DEADLINES

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| January 15                             | Mailer 2 sent to each student chapter.  |
| January 30                             | Mailer 2 Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.  |
| February 1 by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time | <p><b>ASCE Student Chapter Annual Reports are due by 11:59 pm EST to ASCE.</b></p> <p><i>(More information on Annual Reports can be found <a href="#">here</a>. If you have questions on your Annual Report, email <a href="mailto:student@asce.org">student@asce.org</a>). Submitting the ASCE Student Chapter Annual Report is an <a href="#">eligibility requirement</a> to compete at the student symposia competitions and to advance to Society-wide finals competitions. See the <a href="#">eligibility requirements for details</a>.</i></p> |
| February 1 by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time | <p><b>ASCE Student Chapter annual dues must be paid, as received by ASCE, no later than 11:59 p.m. EST.</b></p> <p><i>Paying ASCE Student Chapter annual dues is an <a href="#">eligibility requirement</a> to compete at the student symposia competitions and to advance to Society-wide finals competitions. See the <a href="#">eligibility requirements</a> for details.</i></p>   |
| February 12 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  | <b>Concrete Canoe Technical Execution Package, Mix Design Sheets, &amp; Materials Notebook due.</b> (Upload to respective folder link provided in the rules).   |
| February 15 (postmarked by)            | <b>Attendee Registration is due.</b>  |
| February 15 (postmarked by)            | <b>Volunteer Registration is due</b>  |
| March 1                                | <b>Student Symposium Paper Competition submission due</b><br>(see instructions on page 11)  |
| March 16                               | Mailer 3 (final) sent to each student chapter.  |
| March 20                               | <b>Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist and Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and Sketchup files are due.</b><br>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)   |
| March 22                               | <b>GeoWall Design Paper &amp; Posters Due</b>   |
| March 27                               | <b>Transportation Report &amp; Poster Due</b>   |
| March 29                               | <b>Water Treatment Design Report &amp; Poster Due</b>   |

## 2026 DEADLINES

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| March 30  | Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.  |
| March 31  | Final Date for Late Registrations   |
| April 3   | Concrete Canoe Presentation, Paper Competition Presentation, Water Treatment Presentation, Geo-Wall Presentation, Sustainable Solutions Presentation, and Transportation Presentation Due |
| April 10–12   | 2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium   |
| Note: Please see <a href="#">competition rules</a> for RFI deadlines and competition components that are submitted/required at the student symposium. |   |



## ASCE Society Competition Eligibility Requirements

*The ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition, and ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition, advance to ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals. The ASCE/AISC Steel Bridge Competition advances to the SSBC National Finals and follows the eligibility criteria below. See SSBC Rules for more information.*

*The purpose of student competitions is to provide members with career-enriching 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 a result, 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 ASCE Student Symposium Competition

**To compete at the Student Symposia Competitions, an ASCE Student Chapter must:**

1. Pay their annual membership dues **no later than the start of their Student Symposium** and
2. Submit their student chapter's full Annual Report or EZ Annual Reporting Form **no later than February 1st at 11:59 PM EST.**

### Eligibility for ASCE Society-Wide Competition Finals

**To advance the ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals, an ASCE Student Chapter must:**

1. Be in good standing with ASCE by:
  - a. Paying their annual membership dues no later than February 1st at 11:59 PM EST and
  - b. Submitting their student chapter's **full Annual Report, no later than February 1st, 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 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 or presentations created for any other competition do not count as an entry into the Paper Competition.

Questions regarding eligibility should be directed to [student@asce.org](mailto:student@asce.org).

## Student Chapter Registration

Please visit our symposium website at <https://studentsymposium.asce.org/mid-pacific/> to register your chapter for the **2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium**.

| Registering Team   | Registration Fee | Late Registration Fee |
|--|------------------|-----------------------|
| Concrete Canoe<br>Geo-Wall<br>Steel Bridge<br>Sustainable Solutions<br>Transportation<br>Water Treatment | \$155/Team       | \$185/Team            |
| Student Symposium Paper Competition<br>Minigames<br>Workshops  | Free             | Free                  |

**Team registration fees must be paid by December 01, 2025, 11:59 PM PST**

**Individual Registration fee is due: February 15, 2026, 11:59 PM PST**

\$130/Person (After Feb 15, late fee is \$150/Person)

*Form will be available when Mailer 2 is released in January 2026*

Payment Options: **Either Check or Online Portal** (Instructions on how to pay online can be found on [website](#))

- **Make check payable to: SJSU ASCE MIDPAC**  
Civil and Environmental Engineering  
One Washington Square  
San Jose, CA 95192-0083
- Online Portal Link: <https://www.sjsu.edu/giving/give-now/index.php>

*If your chapter will NOT be participating in the **2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium**, please email [ascemidpac2026@gmail.com](mailto:ascemidpac2026@gmail.com)*



## 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 Mid-Pacific Student Symposium** Paper Competition: Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students – [click here for topic](#).

**Submission deadline for is: March 1, 2026 11:59 PM EST**

**Submission link is: [Form](#)**

**\*Note, please email [ascemidpac2026@gmail.com](mailto:ascemidpac2026@gmail.com) to confirm that we have received your paper!**

**\*\*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.**

For student chapters in Regions 1-9 participating in their regional student symposium, papers must be submitted to the student symposium host by March 1, 2026, using the host's preferred submission process as outlined above. 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 REQUIREMENT\*\*\*\*\*

Both the Student Symposium Paper Competition submission and the presentation are mandatory for any ASCE Student Chapter participating in the **2026 ASCE Mid-Pacific Student Symposium** that wishes to be eligible to advance to ASCE Society-wide finals competitions and the SSBC National Finals. Competitions **requiring** participation include:

- ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition
- ASCE Sustainable Solutions 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.*

## Tentative Symposium Schedule

*\*The schedule is subject to change. Please stay tuned for future Mailers.*

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| <b>DAY 1</b><br><b>Friday, April 10, 2026</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Registration</li><li>• Welcome Ceremony</li><li>• Captains Meeting for All Competitions</li><li>• Presentations<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Concrete Canoe</li><li>○ GeoWall</li><li>○ Sustainable Solutions</li><li>○ Student Symposium Paper</li><li>○ Transportation</li></ul></li><li>• Poster Walks</li><li>• Steel Bridge Aesthetics Judging</li><li>• Workshops (TBD)</li></ul> |
| <b>DAY 2</b><br><b>Saturday, April 11, 2026</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Competitions<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Concrete Canoe<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Dunk Test and Races</li><li>■ Display &amp; Aesthetics Judging</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>• Events<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Workshop (TBD)</li><li>○ Minigames (TBD)</li></ul></li></ul>   |
| <b>DAY 3</b><br><b>Sunday, April 12, 2026</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Competitions<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Steel Bridge</li><li>○ Water Treatment</li><li>○ GeoWall</li></ul></li><li>• Events<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Lunch</li><li>○ Business Meeting</li><li>○ Awards Ceremony &amp; Banquet</li></ul></li></ul>   |



## Hotel and Airbnb Information

Our Logistics team has prepared a **suggested** list of hotels and Airbnbs located near the SJSU campus to assist teams traveling from outside the area. The list includes a variety of options to suit different preferences and budgets, ensuring convenient access to the university and surrounding amenities. Please note that schools, teams, and attendees are responsible for arranging and covering the cost of their own accommodation. Registration fees do not include lodging. We encourage you to review the options below (prices may vary) and select the choice that best meets your team's needs during your stay! ***\*Note: You are responsible for all housing and transportation for your chapter.***

Please stay tuned for future Mailers will include information about parking logistics and public transit options.

| List of Suggested Hotels   |                             |                    |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Hotel Name</i>  | <i>Address</i>              | <i>Price/Night</i> |
| <a href="#"><u>Hotel Clariana</u></a>  | 100 East Santa Clara Street | \$201.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>The Westin San Jose</u></a>   | 302 South Market Street     | \$179.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Four Points by Sheraton San Jose Downtown</u></a>                       | 211 South First Street      | \$161.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>The AC Hotel by Marriott- SJ Downtown</u></a>                           | 350 W Santa Clara St        | \$242.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Hotel De Anza</u></a>   | 233 West Santa Clara Street | \$125.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Americas Best Value Inn San Jose Convention Center</u></a>              | 1415 Monterey Road          | \$113.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>La Quinta Inn &amp; Suites by Wyndham San Jose Airport—Downtown</u></a> | 1036 North Fourth Street    | \$118.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Best Western Lanai Garden Inn &amp; Suites</u></a>                      | 1575 Tully Road             | \$136.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Hampton Inn San Jose Cherry Ave</u></a>                                 | 5190 Cherry Avenue          | \$150.00           |
| <a href="#"><u>Clarion Inn Silicon Valley</u></a>                                      | 3200 Monterey Highway       | \$134.00           |

## Hotel and Airbnb Information

| List of Suggested Airbnbs   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| <i>Airbnb Link</i>  | <i>Price/Night</i> |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/etYH32bQ">https://www.airbnb.com/l/etYH32bQ</a> | \$219.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/do8dvkkl">https://www.airbnb.com/l/do8dvkkl</a> | \$269.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/Qy5MOikO">https://www.airbnb.com/l/Qy5MOikO</a> | \$262.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/NbD2Yf8O">https://www.airbnb.com/l/NbD2Yf8O</a> | \$257.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/f3S6YhEw">https://www.airbnb.com/l/f3S6YhEw</a> | \$255.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/xhobc40t">https://www.airbnb.com/l/xhobc40t</a> | \$399.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/M8rPLFDG">https://www.airbnb.com/l/M8rPLFDG</a> | \$388.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/xR5Yt2qi">https://www.airbnb.com/l/xR5Yt2qi</a> | \$700.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/dvzH7O7w">https://www.airbnb.com/l/dvzH7O7w</a> | \$731.00           |
| <a href="https://www.airbnb.com/l/ezzr6gAF">https://www.airbnb.com/l/ezzr6gAF</a> | \$513.00           |