

**Mailer 2 - Individual Registration & Symposium Information
2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium**

**Hosted by University of Alaska Anchorage,
and University of Alaska Fairbanks
April 16 – April 18, 2026**



**Concrete Canoe competition hosted by University of Washington
April 10 – April 12, 2026**

January 15, 2026

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Conference:

This is your **2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium** Mailer 2, the second of three informational packets to be sent to each of the participating ASCE Student Chapters in our Student Conference.

Please carefully read this information and forward copies to the appropriate members in your ASCE Student Chapter and team members for each team 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:

- Individual Registration and Mailer 2 Acknowledgement Form,
- Upcoming deadlines,
- Business Meeting,
- Student Symposium Paper Competition,
- ASCE Society Competition information,
- Local competition information,
- ASCE Eligibility Requirements,
- Travel Awareness Information
- Hotel information, and
- Thank you to our sponsors!

*Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by completing the Mailer 2 Acknowledgment Form by January 30, 2026
Please note the individual registration deadline is February 27, 2026*

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at our general student symposium e-mail address, listed below. All symposium information such as events, mailers, policies, rules, etc. will be posted on our website and are also listed below.

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

Sincerely,
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President, ASCE Student Chapter
University of Alaska Anchorage

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Co-Chair, 2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student
Symposium

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ASCE Student Symposium website	https://studentsymposium.asce.org/pacific-northwest/
General symposium email address	2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com
Concrete Canoe Competition Questions Direct to UW ASCE	asce@uw.edu

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Individual Registration Form & Payment

STEP 1 - Mailer 2 Acknowledgement Form - *required*

Follow the link below to complete the Mailer 2 Acknowledgement Form due no later than **January 30, 2026**

Mailer 2 Acknowledgement Form Link – <https://forms.gle/lnqjBoRneEgWBMSV7>

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STEP 2a - Individual Registration Form - UW - *required*

Individual Registration Form for the University of Washington is due before **February 27, 2026**

Please visit our symposium website at [Individual Registration - Pacific Northwest](#) to register for the 2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium.

University of Washington Individual Registration Link:

<https://asceforms.wufoo.com/forms/xqqqvlo0xm7d45/>

The Individual Registration Form must be filled out by ALL individuals attending the symposium including chapter members, team competitors, chapter spectators, guest teams, and faculty advisors. The Individual Registration Form contains liability waiver information required by ASCE that must be reviewed and acknowledged by every individual attending, participating, and/or spectating at the symposium.

Separate individual registrations are required for all other events in Alaska. If you are planning on attending both in Alaska and Washington, then both forms must be filled out.

STEP 2b - Individual Registration Form – UAA - *required*

Individual Registration Form for the University of Alaska Anchorage is due before **February 27, 2026**

Please visit our symposium website at [Individual Registration - Pacific Northwest](#) to register for the 2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium.

University of Alaska Anchorage Individual Registration Link:

<https://asceforms.wufoo.com/forms/wspjvbi0xlbfry/>

The Individual Registration Form must be filled out by ALL individuals attending the symposium including chapter members, team competitors, chapter spectators, guest teams, and faculty advisors. The Individual Registration Form contains liability waiver information required by ASCE that must be reviewed and acknowledged by every individual attending, participating, and/or spectating at the symposium.

Separate individual registrations are required for concrete canoe competition in Washington and all other events in Alaska. If you are planning on attending both in Alaska and Washington, then both forms must be filled out.

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STEP 3a - Individual Registration Payment @ UW - *required*

There will be separate Individual registration and payments for the weekends of April 10-12th in Washington and April 16-18 in Alaska.

Registration forms and payments are due by February 27th, 2026 for both events.

Washington Weekend April 10-12: Concrete Canoe Competition

Individual Registration for the Washington weekend is \$150 per person (\$50 for banquet only).

Make check payable to: ASCE UW Student Chapter

Attn: American Society of Civil Engineers
Civil and Environmental Engineering
201 More Hall, BOX 352700
3760 E. Stevens Way NE
Seattle, WA 98195-2700

STEP 3b - Individual Registration Payment @ UAA - *required*

Alaska Weekend April 16-18

Individual Registration for the Alaska Weekend (\$125 per person)

https://epay.alaska.edu:443/C21563_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=7658&FROMQRCODE=true

Advisor Registration for the Alaska Weekend (\$0 per person), **must register separately for the banquet**
https://epay.alaska.edu:443/C21563_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=7659&FROMQRCODE=true

Separate Banquet Registration for Alaska Weekend (included in Individual Registration) (\$50 per person):
https://epay.alaska.edu:443/C21563_ustores/web/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=7661&FROMQRCODE=true

Make check payable to: UAA Office of the Bursar
Mail to:

UAA Office of the Bursar
PO Box 141609
Anchorage, AK 99514

If your chapter will NOT be participating in the 2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium, please email
2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com

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Important Upcoming 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.

2026 DEADLINES

ASCE is still accepting Statement of Intent Forms for Society Competitions!	<p>Statement of Intent & 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, and Timber-Strong. <i>One form is required for each competition and must be filled out by the team captain and faculty advisor. The online form* must be completed by the team captain and faculty advisor(s). Each entity will submit a separate form.</i></p> <p><i>* Concrete Canoe forms can be found in the 2026 ASCE Concrete Canoe Request for Proposal Rules. Concrete Canoe forms submitted after November 3, 2025, at 5:00 pm Eastern will be considered late submissions and subject to deduction.</i></p> <p><u>There is still time to complete a Statement of Intent Form to compete in an ASCE Society Competition!</u></p> <p><u>Statement of Intent to compete for Steel Bridge</u> <i>(must be completed by the team captain & the faculty advisor separately)</i> <u>Statement of Intent to compete for Surveying</u> <i>(must be completed by the team captain & the faculty advisor separately)</i> <u>Statement of Intent to compete for Sustainable Solutions</u> <i>(must be completed by the team captain & the faculty advisor separately)</i> <u>Statement of Intent to compete for Timber-Strong</u> <i>(must be completed by the team captain & the faculty advisor separately)</i></p>
January 5, 2026 by 5:00 pm Eastern Time	Surveying Competition Topographic Mapping Project released to teams by 5:00 p.m. EST in the ASCE UESI Surveying Competition Collaborate Site .
January 15, 2026	Mailer 2 sent to each student chapter.
January 30, 2026	Mailer 2 Acknowledgement Form due from each student chapter.
February 1 by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time	ASCE Student Chapter Annual Reports are due by 11:59 pm EST to ASCE. (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 finals competitions. See the eligibility requirements for details.

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February 1 by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time	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 is an eligibility requirement to compete at the student symposia competitions and to advance to Society-wide finals competitions. See the eligibility requirements for details.</i>
February 12 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Concrete Canoe Technical Execution Package, Mix Design Sheets, & Materials Notebook due. <i>(Upload to respective folder link provided in the rules)</i>
February 20 by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase 1A & 1B Project deliverables are due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)</i>
February 23 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Surveying Competition Topographic Mapping Project Plans due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)</i>
February 27, 2026	Attendee Registration is due for both weekends
March 1	Student Symposium Paper Competition submission due to 2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com
March 2, 2026	Mailer 3 (final) sent to each student chapter.
March 6 by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase Two Project deliverables are due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)</i>
March 16, 2026	Final Date for Late Registration
March 16, 2026	Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.
March 27, 2026	Volunteer Registration is due
March 27, 2026	Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist and Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and Sketchup files are due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)</i>
April 10, 2026	Timber-Strong Design Build - All Change Orders and final submittals uploaded to ASCE's Cerberus ftp server. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)</i>
April 10-12	2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium - Concrete canoe at UW
April 16-18	2026 ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Symposium - All other events at UAA
Note: Please see competition rules for RFI deadlines and competition components that are submitted/required at the student symposium.	

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Business Meeting (*Eligibility Requirement*)

The Business Meeting is tentatively scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 18th, 2026 at 1:00 pm at UAA in Anchorage. Watch for the draft business meeting agenda that will be distributed via email to student chapters for review before the symposium.

The business meeting is the annual meeting for the Student Conference 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.

The draft agenda will include such items as any unresolved discussion topics from the 2025 Business Meeting, the host rotation, new business, discussion of the Conference Policy and Procedures document as needed, and other topics specific to the ASCE Pacific Northwest Student Conference.

Each student delegate must be a member in good standing with their student chapter and ASCE. 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.**

If special circumstances prevent your team from attending the business meeting at UAA in person, please contact 2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com by no later than March 1, 2026

[Click here for ASCE Eligibility Requirements](#)

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

Submission deadline is: March 1, 2026

Submission email/link is: 2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com

Rubric: [Click here for the 2026 Student Symposium Paper Competition Rubric](#)

Time Limit for Presentations: 5 minutes per presentation plus 5 minutes Q&A

****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 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 Pacific Northwest 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
- ASCE UESI Surveying Competition, and
- 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.

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ASCE Society Competition Eligibility Requirements

Competitions that advance to an ASCE Society-wide finals competition 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 Society-wide finals competitions/ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships 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 finals competitions 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 the start of their Student Symposium**.
 - 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 FINALS COMPETITION

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters in order to advance to the ASCE Society-wide Finals 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**, **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 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.

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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.

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Tentative Symposium Schedule @ University of Washington in Seattle (**SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Drug and Alcohol-Free Events

The use of drugs and alcohol is prohibited at all ASCE Student Symposium events.

Date	Event	Location
Friday, April 10	Registration Check In	5:00 pm- 7:00 pm, @ UW Campus
	Mandatory Captain's Meeting	6:00 pm- 7:00 pm, @ UW Campus
Saturday, April 11	Concrete Canoe Technical Presentations	@ UW Campus
	Concrete Canoe Prototype Display and Educational Workshop	@ UW Campus
Sunday, April 12	Concrete Canoe Race Day	7:00 am - TBD, Lake Sammamish
	Dinner Social/Awards	Evening, @ UW Campus

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Tentative Symposium Schedule @ University of Alaska Anchorage (**SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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Date	Start Time (AKDT)	End Time (AKDT)	Event	Location
April 16th	3:00 PM	7:00 PM	Registration Check-in	UAA Campus
	4:00 PM	7:00 PM	Mandatory Captain's Meetings: Steel Bridge, Sustainable, Surveying, Timber Strong	UAA Campus
	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	Mixer (social Event)	UAA Campus
April 17th	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	Late Registration Check-in	UAA Campus
	9:00 AM	8:00 pm	Steel Bridge Competition	UAA Campus
	9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Survey Competition	UAA Campus
	9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Mead Paper Presentations	UAA Campus
	9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Sustainable Solutions Presentations	UAA Campus
	11:00 am	12:00 pm	Lunch	UAA Campus
April 18th	9:00 am	4:00 PM	Timber Strong Competition	UAA Campus
	12:00 am	1:00 pm	Lunch	UAA Campus
	1:00 pm	2:30 pm	Business Meeting	UAA Campus
	6:00 PM	9:00 PM	Awards Banquet and Ceremony	UAA Campus

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Society Competition Information

SOCIETY COMPETITIONS AT THE 2026 ASCE PACIFIC NORTHWEST STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

Society-wide Competitions

ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition



ASCE UESI Surveying Competition



AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition

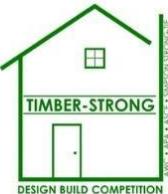


ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition



Society Pilot Competitions

ASCE Timber-Strong Design-Build Competition



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Local Competition Information

LOCAL COMPETITIONS AT THE 2026 ASCE PACIFIC NORTHWEST STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

Student Symposium Paper Competition

Hosted in-person @ UAA in Anchorage, Alaska.

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

Local Competition rules can be found on our website at
<https://studentsymposium.asce.org/pacific-northwest/>

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Travel awareness Information

Those traveling to Alaska will probably be traveling differently than other years. Many might be the first time flying to a competition. Things to think about when preparing to travel:

- Make sure to book flights as soon as you can, before flights get fully booked.
- Have a plan to bring items for competition.
 - Including the poster
 - Surveying and Timber Strong please contact 2026pnwsymposium@gmail.com for special equipment needs.
- Show up for the airport hours in advance to give plenty of time to check in. **Recommend min 4 hours**
- **Be aware of Airline baggage regulation and rules**
 - Alaska airlines - <https://www.alaskaair.com/content/travel-info/baggage/checked-bags>
 - Delta Airlines - <https://www.delta.com/us/en/baggage/overview>
 - United airlines - <https://www.united.com/en/us/fly/baggage/checked-bags.html#size-weight>
- Batteries need to be put in carry-ons not check backs
 - United & Delta have 100 Wh limit per battery
 - Alaska has a 160 Wh limit per battery
- Plan ahead for renting vehicles
 - UW recommends using public transportation in Seattle

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Transporting Steel Bridges

It is recommended that your team construct or purchase rigid boxes to transport your bridge. Soft-sided bags have not worked well in the past. Constructing boxes is a balancing act between weight and rigidity, and it is important to have a weight strategy prior to constructing boxes. Please be aware of the different airlines max sizes for baggage's and max weights, as well as any fees that go along with them.

If you have the ability to have “free bags”, the cheapest method is trying to keep the luggage under 50 lbs., which means boxes themselves should be in the 12-15 lbs. range, allowing 35 lbs. of steel parts per box (requiring between 6 and 8 boxes).

If your airline charges you for each bag, we suggest boxes that are overweight but not oversized (often you will be charged for overweight and oversize separately). If you build stronger boxes that are 15-20 lbs., this allows a more efficient 80+ lbs. of steel parts per box, greatly reducing the number of boxes and baggage fees (requiring 3 or 4 boxes). Below are photos of UAA’s team travel boxes for steel bridge.competition.



UAA and UAF teams every year will organize and fit all of its steel bridge parts into these wooden boxes that the team has built. Then the boxes get checked in as check bags for each of the team members traveling. All of the team's personal gear is taken in their carry-ons for the weekend. This has worked for years for the UAA team. Feel free to contact us if you want more specifics about box dimensions and hardware (including wheels).

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Also note that checking in with these boxes full of steel requires special check-in and takes much longer than regular check-in, as they have to open up and inspect each box. We recommend checking in as soon as the airline lets you.

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Hotel Information in Seattle

We recommend booking rooms as soon as possible. Prices increase quickly, and the longer teams delay their reservations the more likely they will be to not find affordable accommodations.

Here are some hotels near the University of Washington Campus we recommend teams choose from:

- [Silver Cloud Hotel University District](#)
- [Graduate by Hilton Seattle](#)
- [Residence Inn by Marriott Seattle](#)
- [University Inn - A Staypineapple Hotel](#)

Hotel Information in Anchorage

- [Visit Anchorage, Alaska | Things To Do, Hotels & Adventure](#)
- [Anchorage Hotels & Places To Stay | B&Bs & Scenic Lodging](#)
- [Anchorage Hotels, Motels and Inns | Visit Anchorage](#)

For your convenience, some hotel options near campus include:

- SpringHill Suites by Marriott Anchorage University Lake (0.6 mi)
- Hyatt Place Anchorage-Midtown (2.2 mi)
- Hilton Garden Inn Anchorage (2.3 mi)