



2026 Pacific Southwest Student Symposium



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*Student Chapter Registration and
Symposium Information*

March 27th - March 30th, 2026

Hosted by: California State University of Los Angeles



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October 15th 2025,

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the Pacific Southwest Student Symposium,

We are excited to announce that California State University, Los Angeles will host the 2026 American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Pacific Southwest Student Symposium (PSWS)! This is the PSWS Mailer I, the first of three informational packets to be sent to each of the participating ASCE Student Chapters in this year's Student Symposium at Cal State LA.

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. You will find the following information:

- Mailer 1 Receipt Acknowledgement Form
- 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
- Hotel Accommodations/Information

Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by emailing the enclosed form **by October 29th, 2025. Please note the chapter registration FINAL due date is **December 1st, 2025**. (Please read Chapter Registration Form for more details.)**

If you have any questions, contact us through the following e-mail address: csula.asce@gmail.com. All symposium information such as events, mailers, policies, rules, etc. will be posted on our website: [2026 ASCE PSWS - CSULA](#)

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

Kindest regards,
Cal State LA's PSWS 2026 Planning Committee



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MAILER 1 RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

Follow the link below to complete the Mailer 1 Receipt Confirmation due no later than **October 29, 2025**.



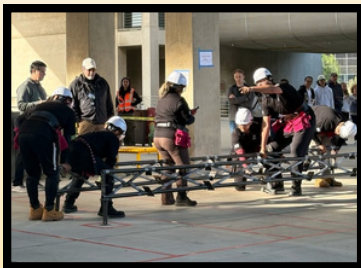
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UPCOMING DEADLINES

October 29, 2025	Mailer 1 Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter
November 3, 2025 by 5:00 pm Eastern Time	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, Timber-Strong, Paper Competition, Construction Institute, and 3D Printing. One form (online) is required for each competition and must be filled out by the team captain and faculty advisor. Each person will submit a separate form. (See pages for intent form links.) Concrete Canoe forms can be found in the 2026 ASCE Concrete Canoe Request for Proposals - Rules .
November 3, 2025 by 5:00 pm Eastern Time	Concrete Canoe Competition: Submission of Proposal and Qualifications Package due.
Fall Timeframe	Each Timber-Strong Design Build team member who is a builder must complete the Ladder Training Safety online course and submit certification of completion to Cerberus before project work begins. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)
November 5, 2025 (postmarked by)	Student Chapter Registration due (see instructions on page 8).
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 29, 2026	Mailer 2 Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.
February 1, 2026 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.
February 1, 2026 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. 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.
February 3, 2026	ASCE Construction Institute Student Symposium Competition Team Form is due. Links to the form will be sent from ASCE to team captains and faculty advisors per information provided on intent forms.



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February 12, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Concrete Canoe Technical Execution Package, Mix Design Sheets, & Materials Notebook due. (Upload to respective folder link provided in the rules)
February 15, 2026	Attendee Registration is due.
February 20, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase 1A & 1B Project deliverables are due. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)
February 22, 2026	Volunteer Registration is due.
February 23, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Surveying Competition Topographic Mapping Project Plans due by 5:00 p.m. EST (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)
March 1, 2026	Student Symposium Paper Competition submission due to csula.asce@gmail.com
March 2, 2026	Final Date for late Registration (attendee and volunteer)
March 6, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase Two Project deliverables are due. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)
March 6, 2026	Mailer 3 (final) sent to each student chapter.
March 6, 2026	Hospitality Reservation Cut-off
March 7, 2026	Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist and Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and Sketchup files are due. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE.)
March 20, 2026	Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.
March 23, 2026	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 that will be used for all Timber-Strong submissions.)
March 27-30, 2026	2026 ASCE Pacific Southwest Student Symposium.






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SOCIETY COMPETITION INTENT FORMS

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.

ASCE SOCIETY-WIDE COMPETITIONS

COMPETITION	ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition  ASCE CONCRETE CANOE COMPETITION	AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition  Student Steel Bridge Competition Smarter. Stronger. Steel. ASCE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS	ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition  ASCE SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS COMPETITION
INTENT FORM LINK	Submission of Proposal and Qualifications Package due (uploaded to ASCE server, <u>see rules</u>)	AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition Statement of Intent to Compete	ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition Statement of Intent to Compete
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
ADDITIONAL INFO	Please visit the 2026 ASCE Concrete Canoe Request for Proposals - Rules to review the required forms and submission information.	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.	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.





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ASCE SOCIETY- WIDE COMPETITION

ASCE PILOT COMPETITION

COMPETITION	ASCE/UESI Surveying Competition 	Timber-Strong Design Build Competition 
INTENT FORM LINK	<u>ASCE UESI Surveying Competition Statement of Intent to Compete</u>	<u>Timber Strong Design Build Competition Statement of Intent to Complete</u>
DUE DATE	November 3, 2025, by 5:00pm, Eastern Time	November 3, 2025, by 5:00pm, Eastern Time
ADDITIONAL 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 topographic mapping project. ASCE will send links in early 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 the unique link for uploading the competition submissions. ASCE will send links in early February.



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STUDENT CHAPTER REGISTRATION FORM

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Chapter Registration by check is \$300; By online payment is \$500. Chapter Registration is **Late AFTER November 5th, 2025**; Late registration costs \$500 per chapter by check/online payment. The **FINAL due date for chapter registration is December 1st, 2025**.

Please confirm your payment by emailing: csula.asce@gmail.com that your chapter has registered; Add the payment type in the email (either by check or by online payment).

Please make checks payable to:

Cal State LA University Auxiliary Services
with Memo: "ASCE (UT540)"

Mailing Location:

Cal State LA

Attn:

Lara Asatryan
Department of Civil Engineering
5151 State University Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90032

If you wish to pay the Chapter Registration Fee online:

ONLINE PAYMENTS for Chapter Registration are \$500. Universities that wish to pay online can do so through Cal State LA's secure event payment portal: [CSULA Payment Portal](#)

Step 1. Once you are on the portal, select the ASCE PSWS 2026 Donation Page. Each Donation Unit is set at \$100.00.

Step 2. Enter the desired quantity to match your total contribution (e.g., a \$500 payment = 5 units).

Step 3. Proceed to checkout and complete the payment securely.

You will receive a confirmation email once the transaction is complete.

If your chapter is NOT participating in the
2026 ASCE Pacific Southwest Symposium, please email
csula.asce@gmail.com



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STUDENT SYMPOSIUM PAPER COMPETITION INFORMATION

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 Southwest Student Symposium** Paper Competition: Prize for Students Topic - [click here for topic](#)

Submission deadline: March 1, 2026

Submission email: csula.asce@gmail.com

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 Student Paper Prize for Students Competition, as the student symposium submission will serve as the official entry for the Student Symposium 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.

One winner from the ASCE Pacific Southwest Student Symposium will be named the Symposium Paper Competition Champion.

SOCIETY-WIDE FINALS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

Both the paper submission and the presentation are mandatory for any ASCE Student Chapter participating in the 2026 ASCE Pacific 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



Please note that 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 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 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:

- Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than the start of their Student Symposium**
 - Have submitted their student chapter's full Annual Report or EZ Annual Reporting Form, **no later than February 1, 11:59 PM ET**

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:

- Be in good standing with ASCE
 - Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than February 1, 11:59 PM ET**
 - Have submitted their student chapter's **full Annual Report**, **no later than February 1, 11:59 PM ET** 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
- Attend and participate in their assigned Student Symposium as shown through their school's:
 - 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



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COMPETITION RULES AND RESOURCES

[ASCE Pacific Southwest Student Symposium 2026](#)

SOCIETY-WIDE COMPETITION RULES CAN BE FOUND AT:

[ASCE Society-Wide Competitions Rules & Regulations](#)

ASCE SOCIETY- WIDE COMPETITIONS

- Concrete Canoe Competition
- ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition
- ASCE UESI Surveying Competition
- AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition
- Timber-Strong Design Build Competition
- Student Symposium Paper Competition

REGIONAL COMPETITION RULES

- Environmental: December 2025
- Transportation Design: November 2025
- Geowall: [Draft Rules link](#)
- PCI Prestressed Mini Beam Casting: TBA



TENTATIVE STUDENT SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

SUBJECT TO CHANGE



	March 27, 2026	
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
STUDENT CHAPTER CHECK-IN	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	College of ECST
	March 28, 2026	
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
OPENING CEREMONY	8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Greenlee Plaza
CONCRETE CANOE		
Concrete Canoe Display Setup	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Greenlee Plaza
Concrete Canoe Display	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Greenlee Plaza
Concrete Canoe Presentations	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	College of ECST
Concrete Canoe Captains Meeting	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	College of ECST
STEEL BRIDGE		
Steel Bridge Aesthetics Set-Up/Registration	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Greenlee Plaza
Steel Bridge Aesthetics Judging	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Greenlee Plaza
Steel Bridge Captains' Meeting	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	College of ECST
Steel Bridge Judges' Training	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	College of ECST
SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS		
Sustainability Poster Display	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	King Hall Walkway
Sustainability Captains' Meeting	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	College of ECST
Sustainability Competition	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	College of ECST
PCI PRESTRESSED MINI BEAM CASTING	7:00 A.M - 2:30P.M	College of ECST
SURVEYING		
Surveying Captains' Meeting	6:00 AM - 7:00 AM	Main Walkway
Surveying Competition	7:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Triangle Park
Surveying Field Tasks	9:30 AM - 4:45 PM	Triangle Park
Surveying Poster Display	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	King Hall
TIMBER-STRONG DESIGN BUILD		
Timber Captains' Meeting	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Microsoft Teams Meeting

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	March 28, 2026 (cont.)	
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
GEOWALL		
GeoWall Presentations	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	College of ECST
GeoWall Captains' Meeting	2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	College of ECST
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN COMPETITION		
Environmental Design Competition/Presentations	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Music Hall
STUDENT SYMPOSIUM PAPER COMPETITION		
Student Paper Presentations	12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	College of ECST
LUNCH	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Main Walkway
NON-TECHNICAL EVENTS		
Career Fair	9:30 AM - 3:30 PM	Greenlee Plaza
Scavenger Hunt	ALL DAY (Beginning at 8:00 AM)	CSULA Campus
Soccer	9:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Jesse Owens Field
Basketball	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Eagle's Nest Gym
	March 29, 2026	
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
CONCRETE CANOE RACES	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Lake
PCI PRESTRESSED MINI BEAM TESTING	6:00A.M - 10:30A.M	College of ECST
LUNCH	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Lake
NON-TECHNICAL EVENTS		
Scavenger Hunt	ALL DAY	Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park
Tug-of-War	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park Field
Spikeball	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Frank G. Bonelli Regional Park

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	March 30, 2026	
EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
TECHNICAL EVENTS		
Steel Bridge Competition	7:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Structure C - Level 1
Timber Strong Design-Build	7:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Parking Lot 5
Surveying Presentations and Display	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	College of ECST
Transportation Presentations	12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	College of ECST
GeoWall Competition	10:00 AM - 4:00 PM	John F. Kennedy Memorial Library
LUNCH	11:00 AM to 1:00 PM	Golden Eagle (GE) - Bookstore
NON-TECHNICAL EVENTS		
Scavenger Hunt	DUE 4:00 PM	CSULA Campus
Pickleball	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Greenlee Plaza
Volleyball	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Eagle's Nest Gym
Business Meeting	1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	TBA
CLOSING AWARDS CEREMONY	5:30 PM - 11:00 PM	Eagle's Nest Gym





HOTEL INFORMATION

ON & OFF CAMPUS HOUSING OPTIONS (LIMITED):

MORE DETAILS ON DORMS AND UNIVERSITY APARTMENT BOOKINGS AND AVAILABILITY TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

LOCAL HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

ATTENDEES MUST RESERVE AND PAY FOR THEIR OWN ACCOMMODATIONS.

- [DoubleTree by Hilton Los Angeles – Rosemead](#) • 888 Montebello Blvd, Rosemead, CA 91770
- [Holiday Inn El Monte – Los Angeles \(IHG\)](#) • 9920 Valley Blvd, El Monte, CA 91731
- [Baymont by Wyndham Monterey Park](#) • 434 Potrero Grande Dr, Monterey Park, CA 91755
- [Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Los Angeles Rosemead](#) • 705 San Gabriel Blvd, Rosemead, CA 91770
- [Lincoln Hotel Monterey Park / Los Angeles](#) • 123 S Lincoln Ave, Monterey Park, CA 91755
- [Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park – Los Angeles \(IHG\)](#) • 400 N Atlantic Blvd, Monterey Park, CA 91754
- [Hilton Garden Inn Los Angeles Montebello](#) • 801 Via San Clemente, Montebello, CA 90640
- [GreenTree Inn & Suites Los Angeles – Alhambra – Pasadena](#) • 2499 W Main St, Alhambra, CA 91801