

March 22, 2025

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Conference:

This is your **2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium** Mailer 3, the last 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.

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- Mailer 3 Confirmation and registration reminders,
- Safety-first culture information,
- Competition safety information,
- Business Meeting information,
- Maps, directions, and parking information,
- ♦ Non-competition event information,
- Competition presentation and display information,
- Technical Paper Prompt & Guidelines
- Social network information.
- Final student symposium schedule,
- Final presentation schedules,
- ♦ Final deadlines,
- Society and local competition information,
- ASCE Pop-Up Leadership Workshop information,
- ♦ Student Symposium Paper Competition information,
- ASCE Society Competition eligibility requirements,
- Sponsor recognition,
- Hotel information,
- Appendix A: Scoring for the Paper Competitions, and
- ♦ ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships T-Shirt collection request.

Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by completing the Mailer 3 Acknowledgment Form by March 26, 2025.

Please note the late individual registration deadline is March 27, 2025.

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 2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium and providing an opportunity to engage with other student chapters and ASCE Region Leadership.

Sincerely,
Patrick Swallow
President, ASCE Student Chapter
Colorado State University

Madisyn Bietz Chair, 2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium Colorado State University

ASCE Student Symposium website https://studentsymposium.asce.org/rocky-mountain/		
General symposium email address	ASCE_Symposium@colostate.edu	
Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/CSUCivilAndEnvironmentalEngineering	
Instagram	https://www.instagram.com/csu_cee/	



Registration Reminders – ALL Participants

STEP 1 - Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation – *required*

Follow the link below to complete the Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation due no later than March 26, 2025.

Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation: https://forms.office.com/r/DVWeQtcWMR

STEP 2 - Individual Registration Form – *required*

The Individual Registration Form is due before March 27, 2025. Please note that you may not receive a T-shirt if you have registered after March 17th.

Please visit our symposium website at <u>Individual Registration - Rocky Mountain</u> to register for the 2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium.

The Individual Registration Form must be filled out by <u>ALL individuals</u> attending the symposium including chapter members, team competitors, chapter spectators, guest teams, faculty advisors, volunteers, judges, and ASCE Region Leadership. 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.

STEP 3 - Individual Registration Payment – *required*

Individual Registration is \$100 per person. The registration payment is due by March 27, 2025.

Pay online under "Guest Registration" at https://engr-colostate.nbsstore.net/

Payment by check:

Please make check payable to Colorado State University Please mail check to: Colorado State University ASCE c/o Engineering Business Office 1301 Campus Delivery Fort Collins, CO 80523-1301 Include on Check Memo:

ACC: 1313246-ASCE

IF YOUR CHAPTER WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING IN THE 2025 ASCE ROCKY MOUNTAIN STUDENT SYMPOSIUM, PLEASE EMAIL ASCE_SYMPOSIUM@COLOSTATE.EDU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



Safety-First Culture Information

ASCE and Colorado State University 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 generate a Safety-First Culture, we have designated lead symposium safety officers, as listed below. Further, be on the lookout for safety information at the symposium, such as the location of first-aid supplies, who in the crowd have first-aid training and Safety Moments.

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 a true 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.

Symposium Safety Officers

 Lead: Todd Atadero:
 970-690-7319

 Scott Buck:
 970-402-0216

 Amber Camus:
 970-214-0737

 Matthew Szydlowski:
 970-732-0781

 Jeff Ellis:
 970-402-0216

Host School Faculty Advisor

Nicole Ellison: 720-474-9643

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, 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 9: 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 (<u>Section 10.1.6</u>). 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 (<u>Section 11.2.1.3</u>). The hard hats 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: <u>Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear</u> – 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 <u>Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear</u> for information on power tools.



Business Meeting (Eligibility Requirement)

The Business Meeting is scheduled to take place at 5:00 pm on April 11, 2025.

The business meeting agenda is attached to the Mailer 3 distribution 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 Nicole Ellison at ASCE_Symposium@colostate.edu by April 1, 2025.

Note that the business meeting is officially the business 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. 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

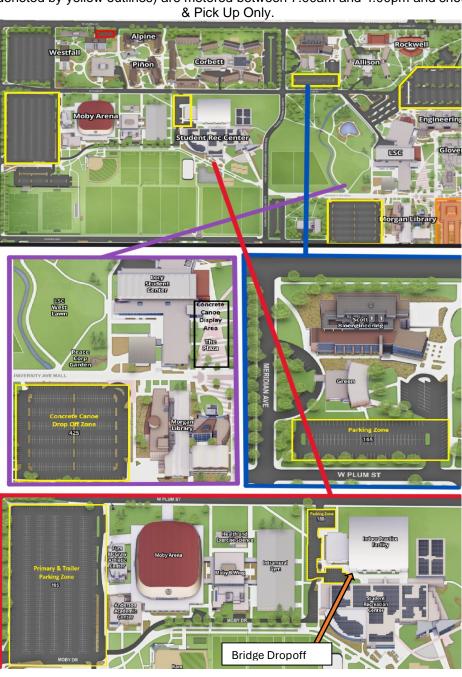


Colorado State University Campus

Lory Student Center (LSC): 1101 Center Ave Mall, Fort Collins, CO 80521

The CSU ASCE chapter will be covering parking costs (and there will be volunteers or event signage present) in the **Moby Arena parking lot** (951 W Plum St, Fort Collins, CO 80521). Please try to carpool and park in Moby Arena. ALL TRAILERS MUST PARK IN THE MOBY ARENA LOT.

All other parking zones (denoted by yellow outlines) are metered between 7:00am and 4:00pm and should be used for Drop Off & Pick Up Only





Concrete Canoe Race Venue: Horsetooth Reservoir

4200 W County Rd 38 E, Fort Collins, CO 80526

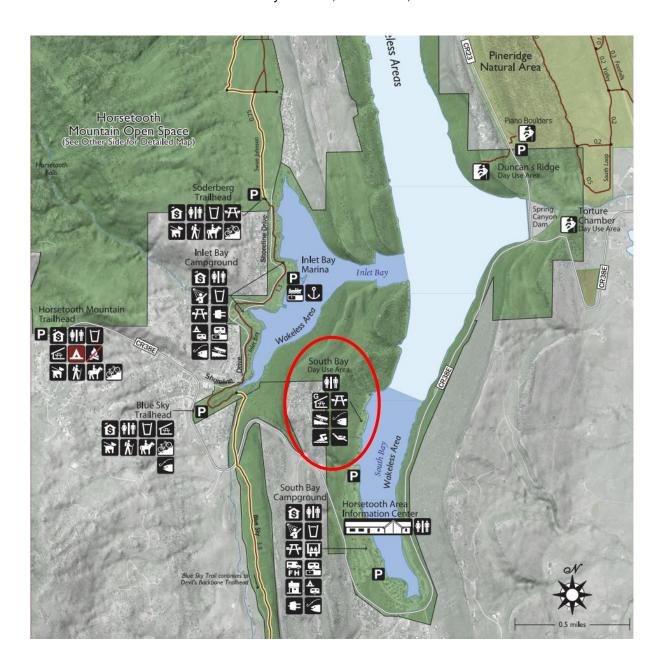
The CSU ASCE student chapter is covering the parking costs at Horsetooth Reservoir. There will be volunteers or event signage present in the parking area. Please try to carpool as much as possible, since it is costly and there may be limited parking. Thank you for your cooperation!

https://www.larimer.gov/naturalresources/parks/horsetooth-reservoir



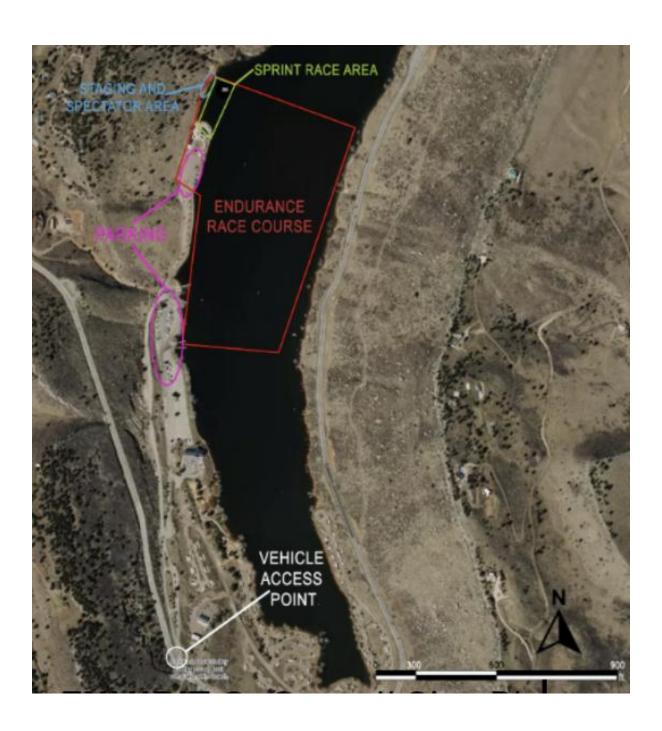


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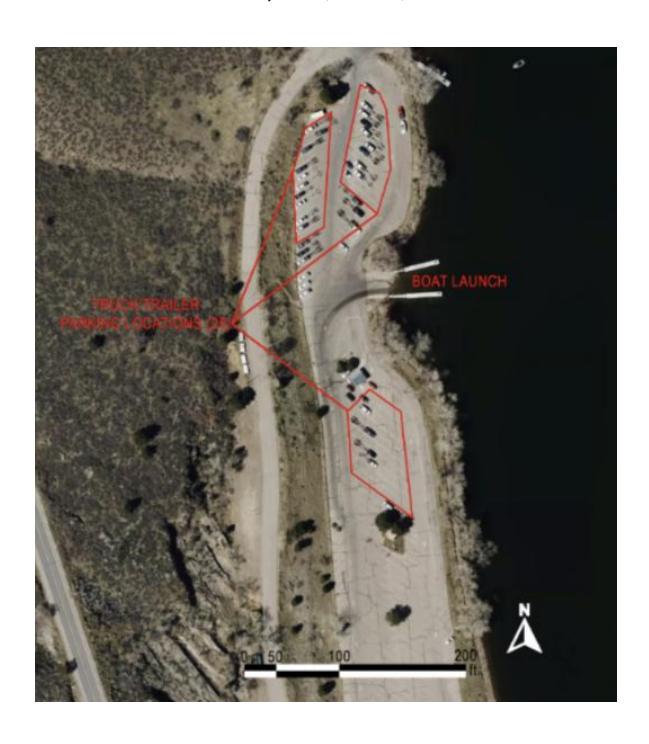


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Non-Competition Event Information

Registration and Check-in: Thursday, April 10th from 4:00pm-6:00pm in the Scott Bioengineering Building Atrium.

Thursday Welcome Events: Dinner will be provided on Thursday, April 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the Scott Bioengineering Building Atrium following check-in. Students will then join forces across schools for a friendly competition in an engineering project hosted by Kiewit Corp.

Career and Networking Event: Friday, April 11th at 9:00 a.m. in the Lory Student Center Ballroom. Students can connect with area engineering firms and other sponsors for career and internship opportunities (plus grab some sponsor swag!). Be sure to also stop by the ASCE table to learn more about the organization.

Business Meeting: April 11th, 2025, at 5:00 pm. By invitation only, see attached Business Meeting Agenda.

ASCE Pop-Up Leadership Workshops: April 11, 2025, in the Lory Student Center Room 312. Please refer to the "ASCE Pop-Up Leadership Workshops" section below for more information. There are 3 Pop-Up Leadership Workshops:

- ◆ Leadership Workshop #1, 9am-10am: The FE Exam and the Path to the PE
- ♦ Leadership Workshop #2, 11am-12pm: What Would You Do? Ethics & Professional Conduct
- ◆ Leadership Workshop #3, 2pm-3pm: What is your Personality Type? Understanding Each Other

Awards Banquet Brunch: Saturday, April 12 from 9:00am–12:00pm in the Lory Student Center Ballroom (business casual dress code). Join us for a delicious brunch buffet as we celebrate the dedication and innovation of our students and teams! Cheer on your school and peers while enjoying a morning of recognition and inspiration. Along with individual and team awards, we'll honor CSU Professor Neil Grigg as he is inducted as an ASCE Distinguished Member. Plus, don't miss a welcoming address and a special appearance by ASCE President Feniosky Peña-Mora at the Awards Banquet!



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 projector equipment and free "CSU Guest" WiFi.

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). Teams should bring presentations on a thumb drive for the technical presentation (Section 8: Technical Presentation).

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, which will be <u>used for public display at the student symposium (Section 7.3, Paper Copy Submittals)</u>. The paper copy set shall be submitted to the student symposium host at check-in. (This copy is for the public display and does not replace the required online submission due on February 24, 2025, by 5:00 pm EST.)

- ◆ Teams are encouraged to bring a standard 6ft tablecloth displaying your school's name, logo, or chapter name (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 <u>Appendix D</u>, <u>Equipment List</u>, 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 <u>example.</u>

The **Sustainability Committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers Colorado Section** is committed to advancing sustainability and resilience in infrastructure with its members, consultants, owners, and government. It is pleased to announce prizes for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners of the Sustainable Solutions Competition. The prizes for each team will be as follows:

1st Place: \$600 2nd Place: \$300 3rd Place: \$100

The prize money will be distributed evenly amongst each student member of the winning team and presented at the Awards Ceremony Saturday, April 12.

ASCE Construction Institute Competition: All teams should come prepared with a laptop. Laptops or computers will not be provided at the competition. One per team is sufficient, but it is recommended that each participating student brings a laptop.

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 Non-Technical & Technical Paper Competitions: See above in red.



Regional Competition Rules: Technical Paper

Technical paper:

Submission deadline: March 31, 2025;

Submission email/link: ASCE_Symposium@colostate.edu

In email subject line please include: SCHOOLNAME Technical (i.e. CSU Technical)

The technical paper competition and presentation are regional competitions and are not an ASCE eligibility requirement to advance to finals. The Student Symposium (Non-Technical) Paper Competition is an ASCE eligibility requirement to advance to finals. Please see page 24 for details on the Student Symposium Paper Competition.

The topic for this technical paper is:

Select any aspect of civil engineering and explain how it can be more sustainable overall. Explore strategies such as the use of renewable materials, energy-efficient building designs, waste reduction, and the incorporation of environmental and social considerations into project planning.

This competition can be performed by a single individual or a team of no more than two students. Each chapter is eligible to submit a single technical paper. The technical paper is accompanied by a technical presentation that will be presented at the symposium.

Paper Guidelines:

- ♦ Limited to 1 paper from each student organization
- ♦ Not to exceed 1500 words in length
- Can be written by an individual or a team of no more than 2 members

Presentation Guidelines:

- ♦ Each team will have up to 15 minutes to present their paper
- ♦ Can be presented by an individual or a team of no more than 2 members

The scoring sheet template for this paper is included in Appendix A (it is the same for both the non-technical Mead paper and the technical paper).



Social Network Information

WhatsApp will be the main form of communication between schools before, during, and after the symposium.

The app can be accessed by scanning the provided QR code or following the link below.

WhatsApp Link





Final Student Symposium Schedule

Drug and Alcohol-Free Events

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

	THURSDAY-APRIL 10TH			
TIME	Indoor Practice Field	Scott Bioengineering Atrium		
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4:00pm		Check-In		
4:30pm		Scott Atrium		
5:00pm		4:00-6:00 pm		
5:30pm	Bridge	4.00 0.00 pill		
6:00pm	Bridge Drop Off	Mystery Design		
6:30pm	4:00-8:30	Dinner		
7:00pm	1.00 0.00	Scott Atrium;		
7:30pm		Scott 229;		
8:00pm		Scott 231; 6:00-8:30		
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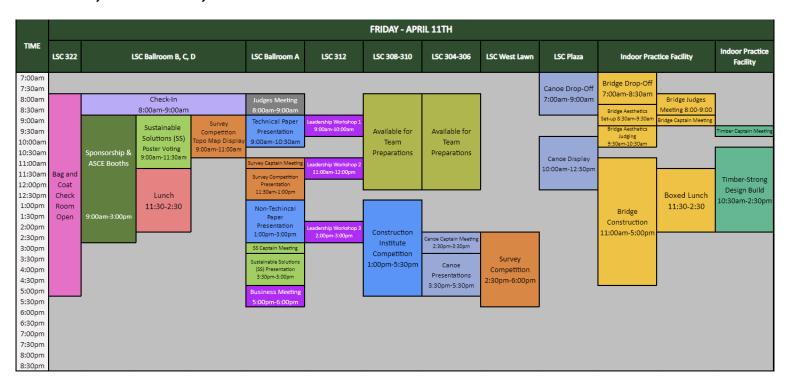
Evening:

- 4:00pm-6:00pm: Symposium Check-In
- 4:00pm-8:30pm: Bridge Drop-off
- 6:00pm-8:30pm: Dinner followed by Mystery Design



Final Student Symposium Schedule, cont.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025



Morning:

- 7:00am-8:30am: Bridge Drop-Off
- 7:00am-9:00am: Canoe Drop-Off
- 8:00am-9:00am: Check-in (if you did not check in Thursday)
- 8:00am-9:00am: Judges Meeting
- 8:30am-9:30am: Bridge Aesthetics Set-Up
- 9:00am: Bridge Captain Meeting
- 9:00am-10:00am: Leadership Workshop 1
- 9:00am-10:30am: Technical Paper Presentations
- 9:00am-11:00am: Survey Topo Map Display
- 9:00am-11:30am: Sustainable Solutions Poster Voting
- 9:00am-3:00pm: Sponsorship & ASCE Booths
- 9:30am: Timber-Strong Captain Meeting
- 9:30am-10:30am: Bridge Aesthetics Judging
- 10:00am-12:30pm: Canoe Display
- 10:30am-2:30pm: Timber-Strong Design Build
- 11:00am: Survey Captain Meeting
- 11:00am-12:00pm: Leadership Workshop 2
- 11:00am-5:00pm: Steel Bridge Construction
- 11:30am-1:00pm: Survey Presentations
- 11:30am-2:30pm: Lunch Buffet & Boxed Lunches

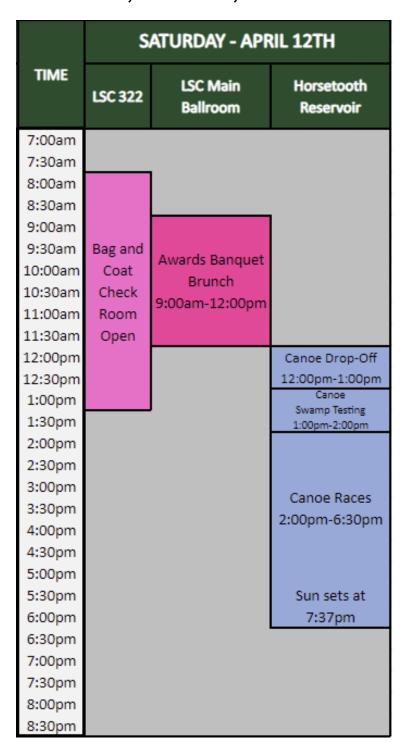
Afternoon:

- 1:00pm-3:00pm: Non-Technical Paper Presentations
- 1:00pm-5:30pm: Construction Institute Competition
- 2:00pm-3:00pm: Leadership Workshop 3
- 2:30pm-3:30pm: Canoe Captain Meeting
- 2:30pm-6:00pm: Survey Competition
- 3:00pm: Sustainable Solutions Captain Meeting
- 3:30pm-5:00pm: Sustainable Solutions Presentations
- 3:30pm-5:30pm: Canoe Presentations
- 5:00pm-6:00pm: Business Meeting



Final Student Symposium Schedule, cont.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025



Morning:

 9:00am-12:00pm: Awards Banquet Brunch

Afternoon:

- 12:00pm-1:00pm: Canoe Drop Off
- 1:00pm-2:00pm: Canoe Swamp Testing
- 2:00pm-6:30pm: Canoe Races



Final Student Symposium Schedule, cont.

PRESENTATIONS AND COMPETITIONS

Concrete Canoe Presentations			
LSC Room 304-306	3:30pm - 5:30pm		
1 minute set up; 5 minute presentation;			
7 minute question/answer; 2 minute clean up			
School Time			
Colorado School of Mines	3:30pm - 3:45pm		
Colorado State University	3:45pm - 4:00pm		
South Dakota School of Mines	4:00pm - 4:15pm		
US Air Force Academy	4:15pm - 4:30pm		
University of Wyoming	4:30pm - 4:45pm		
University of Colorado-Boulder	4:45pm - 5:00pm		

Timber Strong Design Build			
Indoor Practice Field	10:30am - 2:30pm		
Staging - 30 minutes; Construction - 90 minutes;			
Judging - 60 minutes;			
Team Feedback & Disassembly - 90 minutes			
School			
Colorado School of Mines			
South Dakota School of Mines			
University of Wyoming			
University of Colorado-Boulder			

Survey Competition Presentation		
LSC Ballroom A	11:30am - 1:00pm	
1 minute set up; 5 minute presentation;		
7 minute question/answer; 2 minute clean up		
School Time		
University of Colorado-Boulder	TBD	
University of Wyoming	TBD	
South Dakota School of ines	TBD	
Colorado School of Mines	TBD	

Non-Technical (Meade) Paper Presentation		
LSC Ballroom A	1:00pm - 3:00pm	
School	Time	
University of Colorado-Boulder	1:30pm - 1:45pm	
University of Wyoming	1:45pm - 2:00pm	
US Air Force Academy	2:00pm - 2:15pm	
South Dakota School of Mines	2:15pm - 2:30pm	
Judges Break	2:30pm - 2:45pm	
Colorado State University	2:45pm - 3:00pm	
Colorado School of Mines	3:00pm - 3:15pm	
Team 7	3:15pm - 3:30pm	

Construction Institute Competition			
LSC Room 308-310	1:00pm - 5:30pm		
Announcements - 15 minutes;			
Link to Project and Challenge - 2.5 hours;			
Responses turned in and Judges select order			
Presentations - 1 hour			
School Time			
Colorado School of Mines	TBD		
South Dakota School of Mines	TBD		
University of Colorado-Boulder	TBD		

Steel Bridge Construction Order			
Indoor Practice Field 11:00am - 5:00			
School	Time		
University of Wyoming	TBD		
US Air Force Academy	TBD		
South Dakota School of Mines	TBD		
Colorado State University	TBD		
Colorado School of Mines	TBD		
Colorado Mesa Universtiy	TBD		

Sustainable Solutions Paper Presentation		
LSC Ballroom A	3:30pm - 5:00pm	
15-minute presentation followed by question/answer		
School Time		
Colorado School of Mines	3:45pm - 4:00pm	
South Dakota School of Mines	4:15pm - 4:30pm	
University of Colorado-Boulder	4:45pm - 5:00pm	



Final Deadlines

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

March 7, <i>2025</i>	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase Three Project deliverables are due. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)		
March 22, 2025	Mailer 3 (final) sent to each student chapter.		
April 2, 2025	Timber-Strong Design Build - All Change Orders and final submittals are to be uploaded to ASCE's Cerberus ftp server. (Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)		
March 20, 2025	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 26, 2025	Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.		
March 31, 2025	Final Date for Late Registrations.		
April 4, 2025	Hotel Reservations Cut-off.		
April 10 – April 12, 2025	2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium.		



Society Competition Information

SOCIETY COMPETITIONS AT THE 2025 ASCE ROCKY MOUNTAIN 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 Construction Institute Competition



ASCE Timber-Strong Design-Build Competition



Society competition rules can be found at: https://www.asce.org/communities/student-members/conferences/rules



Local Competition Information

LOCAL COMPETITIONS AT THE 2025 ASCE ROCKY MOUNTAIN STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

Student Symposium Paper	Mystery Design	Technical Paper Competition &
Participation is a requirement for advancement to Societywide competition finals and SSBC National Finals.	Thursday, April 10 th at 6:00 pm in the Scott Bioengineering Atrium.	Presentation The presentation is Friday, April 11 th from 9:00 am to 10:30 am in the Lory Student Center (LSC) Ballroom A.



ASCE Pop-Up Leadership Workshops

Don't miss the opportunity to learn about professional skills you can use now and after graduation to help you get ahead. Pop-Up Leadership Workshops are presented by the Committee on Student Members and other Region leaders and will be held throughout the Symposia.



2025 ASCE Pop-Up Leadership Topics

- 1. The FE Exam and the Path to the PE
 - Friday, April 11th, 9:00am-10:00am in LSC Room 312
- 2. What Would You Do? Ethics & Professional Conduct
 - Friday, April 11th, 11:00am-12:00pm in LSC Room 312
- 3. What is Your Personality Type? Understanding Each Other
 - Friday, April 11th, 2:00pm-3:00pm in LSC Room 312



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 2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium Paper Competition is: Infrastructure Disasters

Submission deadline was March 3, 2025

Submission email is: ASCE_Symposium@colostate.edu

This topic is the same topic as the <u>Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students</u>. However, the Student Symposium Paper Competition and the Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students are two separate competitions and must be submitted separately. The Student Symposium Paper Competition paper is due March 3, 2025 and submitted to Nicole Ellison and/or Pinar Omur-Ozbek at <u>ASCE_Symposium@colostate.edu</u>. The <u>Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students</u> is due March 1st and submitted to <u>student@asce.org</u>.

*****SOCIETY-WIDE FINALS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT****

Both the paper submission and the presentation are mandatory for any ASCE Student Chapter participating in the 2025 ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium that wishes to be <u>eligible</u> 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, 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.



ASCE Society Competition Eligibility Requirements

Competitions that advance to an 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 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. 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 COMPETITION FINALS

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters to advance to the ASCE Society-wide Competition Finals. An ASCE Student Chapter must:

- 1. Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - a. Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.
 - b. Have submitted their student chapter's <u>full Annual Report</u>, no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST, <u>and have received a minimum score of 25 points out of a possible 100.</u> 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/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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Hotel Information

Please visit https://www.visitftcollins.com/ to find accommodations for your chapter.

Suggested hotels near Colorado State University:

Best Western University Inn

914 South College Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80524 Phone: (970) 484-2984 www.bwui.com

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.06040.html?groupId=Z23CI0K9

Hilton - Fort Collins

425 West Prospect Road Fort Collins, CO 80524 (970) 482-2626 www.hilton.com/en/hotels/fnlcohf-hilton-fort-collins

The Armstrong Hotel

259 South College Avenue Fort Collins, CO 80524 (970) 484-3883 https://thearmstronghotel.com



Appendix A – Non-Technical Paper Scoring

Please note that the technical paper competition will use similar scoring. However, the technical paper competition has a 1500-word limit, while the non-technical paper competition has a 2000-word limit.

Written Paper Scoring				
	Total of 50 Points			
	Excellent	Competent	Needs Work	
Adherence to Topic	Author was able to stay focused on the topic and did not stray from the main talking points/arguments. 10 - 9 Points	Author was able to stay mostly focused on the topic and only strayed from the main talking points/arguments a couple of times. 8 - 5 Points	Author was did not stay focused on the topic and it is not clear where the author's talking points/arguments are going. 4 - 1 Points	
Presence of Original Ideas and Research Involved	Author presented and defended their position(s) on the topic, while demonstrating that they researched opposing views and were able to incorporate that into their reasoning. 10 - 9 Points	Author was able to present their position(s) on the topic, but ideas were not original or defended fully. They were able to demonstrate that they researched opposing views, but did not incorporate that into their reasoning. 8 - 5 Points	Author did not present their position(s) on the topic and their ideas were not original. No research on opposing views can be found or is easily discernible. 4 - 1 Points	
Command of Subject Matter	Author demonstrates a depth of knowledge and understanding of the topic and is comprehensive and reasonable with their main talking points/arguments. 10 - 9 Points	Author demonstrates some knowledge and understanding of the topic, but ideas have not been fully discussed and their main talking points/arguments are lacking in discussion. 8 - 5 Points	Author does not demonstrates a depth of knowledge and understanding of the topic and does not any talking points/arguments. 4 - 1 Points	
Spelling and Grammar / Length	Paper was at or under the maximum 2000 word limit. Minimal grammatical and spelling errors. 5 Points	Paper was at or under the maximum 2000 word limit. Several grammatical and spelling errors, but still readable. 4 - 3 Points	Paper was over the maximum 2000 word limit. Many grammatical and spelling errors that made it difficult to understand/read. 2 - 1 Points	
Overall Clarity, Organization, Quality of Paper, and References	Paper was clear, concise, and easy to read. All discussions were logical in the order they were presented. Paper appears professional and consistent in formatting. References are from legitimate resources and organizations. Resources are properly cited. 15 - 12 Points	Paper was clear but not always concise or easy to read. Most discussions were logical in the order they were presented. Paper appears professional and consistent in formatting. References are from legitimate resources and organizations. Resources are properly cited. 11 - 8 Points	Paper was not clear, concise, or easy to read. Discussions were not logical in the order they were presented. Paper is not professional or consistent in formatting. References are not listed or from legitimate resources and organizations. Resources are not cited at all or properly. 7 - 1 Points	



Appendix A – Non-Technical Paper Scoring, cont.

Oral Presentation Scoring										
Total of 50 Points										
Excellent		Competent	Needs Work							
Presentation Concepts and Theme	The Presenter is able to address and support the concepts and theme of the topic clearly and concisely to the audience. Audience is able to understand the discussion and topic.	The Presenter is able to address and support the concepts and theme of the topic to the audience, with some vaugness. Audience is mostly able to understand and follow the discussion and topic.	The Presenter is not able to address and support the concepts and theme of the topic to the audience. Audience is struggling to understand the discussion and topic.							
	10 - 9 Points	8 - 5 Points	4 - 1 Points							
Ability to Communicate Key Concepts	The Presenter communicates the key concepts from their paper in a clear and concise manner that allows the audience to easily understand the importance of the topic and their arguments.	The Presenter communicates some of the key concepts from their paper in a semi-clear manner. Audience can understand the importance of the topic and their arguments, but may have some issues piecing the argument together.	The Presenter does not communicate the key concepts from their paper in a clear and concise manner and the audience has trouble understanding the importance of the topic and their arguments.							
	20 - 15 Points	14 - 9 Points	8 - 1 Points							
Personal Bearing	The Presenter had great professionalism, energy, and showed excitement to present. Presenter made eye contact, projected their voice, and was poised.	The Presenter was not very professional, energetic, or excited to present. Presenter made little to no eye contact, was difficult to hear, and was not poised.								
	5 - 4 Points	3 - 1 Points								
Delivery Style	The Presenter was able to engage the audience. It appeared well practiced and did not appear that the presentation was memorized or that they were reading off the screen. Presenter used technical language correctly.	The Presenter was able to partially engage the audience. It appeared mostly practiced, but also that the presentation was partially memorized or that they were reading off the scree. Presenter used technical language correctly most of the time.	The Presenter was not to engage the audience. It appeared that the presentation was memorized or that they were reading off the screen. Presenter did not use technical language correctly.							
	10 - 9 Points	8 - 5 Points	4 - 1 Points							
Time	Presentation was within the 5 minute time limit. Any overage time was permitted by the Judges.	Presentation was either over the 5 minute time limit (by 2 or more minutes) or was significantly under the time limit.								
	5 - 3 Points	2 - 1 Points								

Penalty					
Errors in Logic or Facts	Points can be deducted if there is an error in logic or facts.				
Entors in Logic of Facts	Up to 10 Points				



Appendix A – Non-Technical Paper Scoring, cont.

Student Chapter #01 - Author #01									
Category	Judge 1	Judge 2	Judge 3	Judge 4	Judge 5	JUDGE'S AVERAGE			
Paper									
Adherence to Topic									
Presence of Original Ideas and Research Involved									
Command of Subject Matter									
Spelling and Grammar / Length									
Overall Clarity, Organization, Quality of Paper, and References									
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0.0			
Delivery Style									
Presentation Concepts and Theme									
Ability to Communicate Key Concepts									
Personal Bearing									
Delivery Style									
Time									
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0.0			
Penalty									
Errors in Logic or Facts									
Subtotal	0	0	0	0	0	0.0			
Total Project Score									



CESC T-shirt Collection Request

The 2025 ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships are happening at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, from June 27th to 29th, 2025. Cal Poly SLO wants to give a shout-out to all the hard work each team puts in to compete at the symposium level and their journey toward the Society-wide finals. For the 2025 ASCE student symposia, over 800 teams are competing in the 7 Society competitions at 22 student symposia!

While you are at the ASCE Rocky Mountain Student Symposium, Cal Poly SLO is asking every ASCE student chapter to bring an extra club/symposia/project team tee shirt (or more if you can!) to your student symposium. These shirts will be collected by the host school and sent to Cal Poly SLO, where they will be displayed for all the competing students, ASCE staff, judges, and committee members to check out.

You can drop off your team's shirt(s) at the symposium check-in table from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 10th in the Scott Bioengineering Atrium or at the check-in table from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 11th in the Lory Student Center Ballroom B,C,D. Alternatively, you can get in touch directly with Cal Poly SLO's ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships Host Chair, Nick Mackechnie, at nmackech@calpoly.edu.

The final display will be featured on the ASCE website this summer. Do not forget to follow Cal Poly SLO's Instagram page (@cesc2025) to keep up with the journey to the 2025 ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships!

