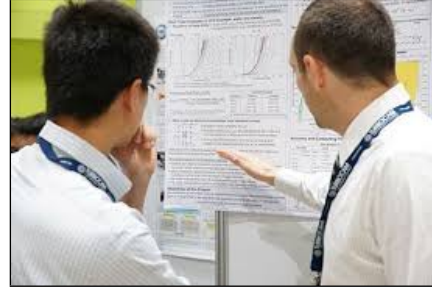
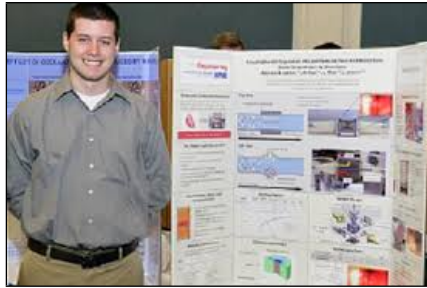


Pacific Northwest Engineering Student Design Conference

Local Old Guard Technical Poster Competition



(For illustration only. Pictures do not endorse any particular style or eligibility.)

Rules and Procedures

Like all professionals, engineers must possess a well-developed ability to synthesize issues and communicate effectively to diverse audiences. To help develop these talents, the “Old Guard Technical Poster Competition” is among the highlights of ASME’s [“E-Fest” \(Engineering Festival\) Conferences](#). This Competition is designed to emphasize the value of an ability to produce clear, concise and effective Graphic Presentations, particularly pertaining to some sphere in which an engineer is or should be involved.

At our local Conference, in support of the ASME E-Fest Conferences, we will also be offering this opportunity, on a purely local basis. Our local Technical Poster Competition is not a qualifier or a prerequisite to entry in the Technical Poster Competition at E-Fest, and no E-Fest funding or eligibility is provided; it’s just a local event, and we encourage all eligible students to participate in all E-Fest Competitions and Activities.

Local Eligibility and Requirements

To be eligible to participate in our local Competition, each Competitor must be an undergraduate engineering student who:

- a. Is enrolled in a nearby higher-education institution offering courses in any engineering discipline,
- b. Has not yet received* an engineering degree, and,
- c. Has a confirmed Registration for our Conference as a “Technical Web Poster” Competitor.

* Students who complete the requirements for their baccalaureate engineering degree, or who actually receive that degree at the end of a term, semester, or quarter a short time before our Conference may still participate. These students, however, must not have completed their degree requirements before December 1 of the calendar year prior to our Conference.

There is no limit on the number of Web Poster Competitors from any one School, and entering our Poster Competition does not disqualify the Competitor from participating in any of our other local Conference Events and Competitions.

Graduate and Returning Students may also apply and participate, on a purely recreational, educational, non-competitive basis, subject to our time availability and constraints.

We can handle “Sabbath” time considerations if we are so-notified when you register.

Competition Entry

Entry is via our Conference's Registration Web Site.

Poster Requirements

- The Poster shall be no larger than 48 inches (122 cm) by 36 inches (91.4 cm) unfolded. Posters may be assembled by using smaller (e.g. A4, A5 or 8½" by 11") paper panels.
- The Poster shall be able to stand free on a supporting table by means of one or more vertically hinged joints separating the Poster into multiple panels, or by physical supports attached to the back of the Poster which are not visible from the front of the Poster.
- Except for fasteners (such as thumbtacks), all poster materials shall be flush with the board, not protruding more than 1/8 inch (3.2 mm).
- There shall be no mechanical or electrical devices attached to the Poster.
- There shall be no objects or materials placed in front of, above, below, or to the side of the Poster.
- All presentation material shall be accessible without having to lift or turn a page.
- Each entry shall have only one author printed on the Poster. Ethical practice requires that credit and acknowledgements be given on the Poster for any assistance by other students and supporters.
- The name and affiliation of the author must be in a prominent place on the Poster.

Judging and Scoring Sheets

Technical Posters are judged by one panel consisting of at least three Judges, with one or two Alternates available if needed, typically practicing engineers or educators (or similarly professional people) from the local area, selected for their technical knowledge and mature judgment.

The Poster is judged in two categories: Visual Presentation and Technical Content. Poster physical requirements having been met, the Judges' evaluations shall be based solely on the content of the front of the Poster.

The Poster should be prepared so that it is easily understood in the absence of the author. Neither the author nor any other individuals may be present during the Judges' work sessions.

Judges shall use the standard "Old Guard Technical Poster" [Scoring Sheets](#) as the basis for judging the Posters. This Scoring Sheet has been developed to assist the Judges in evaluating the Posters in the Competition. Scoring Sheet samples shall be made available to the Judges for familiarization, a good amount of time prior to the Competition. Judges will be advised of the number of available 'Places' per our Event Budget. Judges are not 'bound' by any mathematical formulae or calculations; rather, they are to consider their numerical data and carefully deliberate to common agreement on Competition Results. A Results Sheet, signed by the Judges, is to be provided promptly and privately to the Master of Ceremonies. Scoring Sheets are not to be discussed with nor given to the Competitors or their supporters, and after the Judges have provided their Results to the Master of Ceremonies, the Sheets shall be taken away and privately disposed of.

Awards and Recognitions

- First Place, Second Place, Third Place, Best Technical Content. Announced and presented at the Awards Banquet. Additional Places are possible, depending upon our Budget.
- Possible Monetary Awards, which are subject to Host-Institution and IRS Reporting Requirements. Amounts will be determined by our Conference's final Budget, and might be announced in advance on our Event Web Page. Awards may be provided at the Event, or, sent afterwards.
- Certificates, possibly available at the Awards Banquet, depending upon our 'on-site printing' capabilities, or, sent afterwards.