ASME as a National Organization

www.asme.org

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers was established in 1880 and quickly became a source for creating technical standards such as properties of metals, screw thread sizes, and equipment safety. ASME is also well known for its involvement in research and publications.

“Today, ASME is a worldwide engineering society focused on technical, educational, and research issues. It has over 130,000 members across 150 different countries and conducts one of the world’s largest technical publication operations, holds some 30 technical conferences and 200 professional development courses each year, and sets many industrial and manufacturing standards.”

- A Brief History of ASME, asme.org

Why become a student member of the national organization?

- Networking with established engineers
- Eligibility for national scholarships, fellowships, and student loans
- Subscription to ME Magazine
- Involvement in “Technical Divisions” which focus on different areas of research
- Career resources such as internship postings, resume postings, and e-mentoring

How do I become a national member?

National student membership dues: $25 annually
Sign up at asme.org or call (800) 843-2763

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What we do and why we want you to be involved
ASME Student Section at the University of Illinois

Mission Statement: Our mission is to provide all students of the Department of Mechanical Science and Engineering with an open-membership society that creates a dynamic bridge between students, faculty, and corporations. We host events and programs that cater to enhancing the experiences of engineers and fostering a community among students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

What we do:

External Relations: General meetings which host various corporate speakers are held about once every two weeks. Corporate roundtables and industrial plant trips are also arranged throughout the year. These events provide networking and career opportunities as well as insight into real world systems and applications of engineering knowledge.

Special Projects: Put your classes to use by developing and building several design projects including Engineering Open House exhibits and a Homecoming float. Special projects is a “hands-on” experience that can spark your creativity and practical skills.

Social: Get to know your fellow classmates and upperclassmen by attending cookouts, happy hours, bar crawls, paintballing, and many more events. ASME is a good place to find friends with similar interests and take some time off from studying.

Student Affairs Conferences: The Conference, held in the spring, is a way for students of any engineering major to gain exposure to various career opportunities in the field of mechanical engineering. The Freshman conference is held in the fall semester and is an informal presentation where freshmen can get their questions answered by upperclassmen pertaining to mechanical engineering at Illinois.

Internal Affairs: Learn more about the Department of Mechanical Science and Engineering department from upperclassmen and faculty by attending events such as peer advising, technical elective night, professor lunches, and technical seminars. Network with faculty and learn about the many innovative research activities at the University of Illinois.

Outreach: Help your community through Relay for Life, canned food drives, Children Museum volunteering, and other events.

Come out to any of these events to further your engineering experience at Illinois or gain more involvement by joining a committee. For more info, talk to an executive board member or visit our website at:

http://asme.mechse.illinois.edu

Active Membership

To recognize those students who are particularly involved in the ASME student section at the University of Illinois, students can become “active members” of the section. All students can still attend any event, but active membership acknowledges those who have proactively participated in ASME.

Eligibility:

- Must attend two general meetings and two outside events (social events, outreach events, committee meetings, etc.)
- Active status is obtained when event requirements are met and must be renewed every semester
- Unexcused absences will lead to a loss of points and possible revoking of active membership status

Benefits:

- Cheaper attendance for certain events
- Eligible for ASME member of the month
- Eligible for becoming an executive board officer
- Ability to vote in executive board elections
- Proof of experience and involvement in a professional society
- Included in ASME resume book

Higher levels of membership are available with added benefits for increasingly involved members.