DANIEL W. MEAD PAPER

**Competition Date:** Thursday, March 31, 2022 – Presentation

Competition Location: UC Davis Campus (Zhejiang University will participate online)

**Summary:**

The Daniel W. Mead Paper Competition is a competition in which an individual from each competition school writes and presents a paper on professional ethics. The contest provides an opportunity for young civil engineers to further their professional development and gain national attention.

**2022 Topic**

ASCE updated the Code of Ethics in October 2020. When comparing the latest version

with the previous version, what impact will the changes have on the civil engineering

profession?

（Both previous and latest version can be found in appendix）

**Mead Paper Rules**

1. Papers for the Mid-Pacific Student Competition shall:

a. be limited to one paper from each Student Organization

b. not exceed 2,000 words in length

c. be written by only one person

d. not have previously been published in other than school or Society publications.

2. Reference citations of the papers used should conform to official ASCE Journal

Submission Guidelines, which can be found on the ASCE Publications Website:

http://ascelibrary.org/page/authors.

3. A complete bibliography should also be included, if appropriate. The bibliography

will not count towards total word count.

4. Authors must be undergraduate students and both ASCE Student Organization

members and ASCE national student members in good standing at the time of submission.

**Presentation Rules**

1. Each entrant must formally present his or her paper at the Mid-Pacific Conference. Presentations must be (5) minutes in duration (+/- 5 seconds without penalty.) Please see the scoring rubric for further scoring details.

2. Presentations must be accompanied by visual aids.

a. The host chapter will provide a projector and screen.

b. Any additional equipment shall be furnished by the presenter.

c. The specifications of the meeting room and type of useable input for the projector will be provided in Mailer II.

3. The host school will not provide a timer for the presenter’s use. The presenter may ask someone in the audience to help keep track of the time but shall not distract the judges.

4. At the end of each presentation, the judges will have up to (5) minutes to ask questions.

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Judges may choose to limit audience members to those individuals associated with the

presenter’s university. Audience policies will be announced at the Captains’ meeting held prior to the presentations.

**Paper Format**

1. Use 12-point Times New Roman or Arial font, single spaced, using normal width

character spacing, and 1-inch margins on all sides.

2. Include paper title, author name, and university at the top of the first page.

3. Sequential page numbers shall be placed at the bottom of each page and centered.

**Submittal Requirements**

The deadline for the Mid-Pacific Student Conference Mead Paper is 11:59 PM on March 10, 2022.

**Scoring and Awards**

1. The paper and presentation carry equal weight of 50 points each, for a maximum

overall score of 100 points, as shown in the rubric below.

2. Judges will score the paper and presentation individually. The average of the

judges’ scores for each author/presenter will be ranked to determine final

placement.

3. Awards will be given as follows:1st place: $100, 2nd place: $75, 3rd place: $50

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**Rules and Resources:**

This competition follows the National-level Daniel W. Mead student paper competition rules published by ASCE on the following website:

https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-and-honors/daniel-w-mead-prize-forstudents.

The same topic and rules will be used at the Mid-Pacific Conference, but the Mid-Pacific Conference Competition also includes an oral presentation component.

Please be advised that the submittal to the Mid-Pacific Conference Mead Paper

Competition should not be confused with the National Daniel W. Mead nomination. Although the same topic and rules are used for both competitions, they are separate competitions with separate submittal requirements for each.

Please refer to the website <https://www.asce.org/career-growth/awards-andhonors/daniel-w-mead-prize-for-students> for submittal requirements and specifications for the national Daniel W. Mead Student paper competition.