

Student Activities

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Awards & Recognition

Focus on managing the promotion and judging of the IEEE Student Awards Program.

► Goals:

- Maximize the number of submitted awards for each category;
- Ensure that criteria are clear for SB leaders.

► Awards:



Exemplary Student Branch Award



Larry K. Wilson Student Activity Award



Outstanding Branch Counselor



Darrell Chong Student Activity Award



IEEE Student Branch Website Contest (Global & Regional)

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MARCH



Communications & Outreach

Focus on covering all needed promotional arm for all R8 SAC activities, initiatives, and training along with managing, maintaining, and developing all communications channels and strategies with different IEEE R8 pillars and OUs.

► Goals:

- Align all social media platforms for IEEE R8 SAC;
- Up to date all the relevant website sessions with IEEE R8 SAC activities;
- Unify the new media kit (social media posts, website visuals, presentation) for all of IEEE R8 SAC;
- Make a general calendar for all the IEEE R8 SAC activities;
- Unify the promotion request channel;
- Give more visibility to all WG activities.



Cross-Sectional Initiatives

Focus on supporting cross-sectional student initiatives, advising interested parts for cross-sectional events, and giving incentives to students and sections for cross-sectional collaborations regarding student activities.

► Goals:

- Support and advise all requested cross-sectional initiatives;
- Give incentives to IEEE R8 Sections and SBs for collaborations regarding Student Activities;
- Provide an opportunity to IEEE R8 Sections and SBs to initiate cross-sectional programs in Student Activities;
- Showcase the innovation and drive of IEEE R8 Sections and SBs to an international student audience;
- Find, promote and establish creative cross-sectional programs which provide value to IEEE students;
- Introduce a Cross-sectional Student Initiatives Booster Program.



Educational & Professional Activities

Focus on promoting the opportunities and supporting the engagement to educational and professional activities amongst SBs.

► Goals:

- Interact with R8 SBs and provide them with guidance, assistance and information they need on Educational and Professional Activities;
- Implement programs to serve and benefit IEEE Student members in Educational and Professional Activities;
- Support TryEngineering programs for SBs;
- Give incentives to SBs to organize Educational and Professional Activities;
- Organize webinars of educational and professional aspects.



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Social Impact & Entrepreneurship

Focus on developing sustainable social impact strategies designed to improve SIGHT overall mission and IEEE values, and to strengthen the R8 SB SIGHT Groups.

► Goals:

- Implement good communication with SB SIGHT Groups;
- Recognize the efforts of SB SIGHT Groups through launching a new award “SB SIGHT Group of the Year Award”;
- Social Entrepreneurship Competition for Student Members;
- Entrepreneurship training in conjunction with the competition;
- Project / event proposal training for SB SIGHT Groups to increase SIGHT / HAC fund submissions and SIGHT Groups founding;
- Highlight work of SIGHT SB Groups.





Student Paper Contest

Focus on organizing and promoting the prestigious Student Paper Contest (SPC) as an important scientific, academic and technical activity in the R8.

► Goals:

- Organize all phases of this competition, including managing promotional activities, collecting submissions, reviewing papers by the jury, selecting finalists, as well as arranging the oral finals and the award ceremony within one of R8 flagship conferences;
- Promote the SPC as an excellent occasion for the involvement of IEEE student members in a prospective scientific/technical activity;
- Increase the number of submitted papers and the number of SBs and countries where the student papers come from;
- Make the SPC one of the driving factors for activating SBs and keeping them active;
- Through the SPC competition, enable further promotion of IEEE among students and attract them to join IEEE.



Student Transition & Membership Development

Focus on the successful and soft students transition and elevation to Young Professionals, promoting and enhancing student membership in a regional level, and developing strategies for student membership development and retention.

► Goals:

- Invest members in long term projects;
- Highlight benefits of membership;
- Enhance collaboration between YPs and SBs;
- Promote YPs after graduation benefits to students;
- Organize MD focused webinars;
- Introduce student MD related awards;
- Introduce student MD programs and events.



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Technical Chapters

Focus on building relationships between R8 SB Chapters and their parent Societies and Technical Councils, encouraging the good management and vigor of R8 SB Chapters, investigating and encouraging the formation of R8 SB Chapters, reporting to the R8 Committee on SB Chapter issues, and acting as an interface with IEEE Societies and TAB on SB Chapter related questions.

► Goals:

- Establish and maintain communications with all R8 SB Chapters;
- Assist the Sections and the Societies in the creation of new R8 SB Chapters in locations where Society membership is sufficient to justify such formations;
- Establish links with the Society governing committees and Society SB chapter coordinators, with the objective of encouraging the Society to maintain interest in and financially support its SB Chapters in R8;
- Establish links with the R8 SB Chapters Chairs to encourage them to liaise with their parent Societies, to make use of Society DL Programs and to improve the management and activities of the SB Chapters;
- Encourage SB Chapters to organize workshops, short courses, symposia, etc.;
- Encourage R8 Section Chairs to take an interest in and to support their SB Chapters;
- Encourage attendance of R8 SB Chapter Chairs at SB Chapter Chairs meetings arranged by Societies and Divisions, and to the extent appropriate, participate in any such meetings held in R8.



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Training & Student Branches Leadership

Focus on improving the soft skills of SBs, identifying the needs and problems of SBs and Sections, providing necessary information and guidance to students and counselors, providing training resources and programs for officers related to Student Activities, and promoting the interaction among counselors and students.

► Goals:

- Provide trainings to Section Student Related Officers (SSR Training Program, SSAC Training Program);
- Interact with SB Counselors and organize specialized sessions with them (Counselors Training Program);
- Increase the interaction between SBs leaderships;
- Create synergies and cooperation between both students and SBs;
- Promote, share and concretize SB management and leadership ideas;
- Provide IEEE operational knowledge for R8 and MGA SAC and guide SBs;
- Create a space to answer questions, give feedback and motivate Sections and SBs;
- Accelerate student volunteers' knowledge of the IEEE's organization, student services and resources;
- Help student volunteers understand their roles within their local units and within the entire organization;
- Create a succession tool that develops and prepares future IEEE volunteer leaders;
- Encourage student branch officers to transfer knowledge to their student members;
- Introduce new student training programs for implementation in a sectional level (Sectional SB Leadership Camp Program, Sectional SB Officers Meeting Program).



Women in Engineering

Focus on promoting WIE engagement and collaboration across the SBs.

► Goals:

- Increase vitality of the SB WIE affinity groups;
- Support SAC trainings and new initiatives relevant to the focus of WIE SBs;
- Encourage participation of SBs in WIE Student awards and increase the number of applications;
- Encourage participation in cross-sectional events.



Q&A

Let us know your questions in the chat...



Open Discussion

Impact of the Pandemic on Student Activities and How to Fight Against in a Regional Level



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