



Region 3 Students

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Overview of SAC Competitions for 2021

- ▶ **Ethics** - Will be similar to years past but might have the addition of added workshop activities
- ▶ **Resume** - New competition
- ▶ **Interview** - New competition
- ▶ **Technical Presentation** - Similar to years past but will be virtual based
- ▶ **T-shirt** - Significant changes were made from years past. Students will now have to do a informal product design review
- ▶ **Community Outreach** - New competition

Competition Prizes

Discussion of Prizes for Student Competition

- ▶ Currently some student competitions have prize money for 1st/2nd/3rd place. Once the prize money is divided between the students, it does not come out to much. After discussion with students, SAC does not believe that students compete for the goal of receiving a portion of the prize money.
- ▶ SAC would like the prize money to be awarded to the student branch as opposed to the individual winners.
- ▶ The prize money would go to the student branch to use for professional development. The reason for professional development is that it is an area that students do not always have opportunities to work on in their academia.

Use for Professional Development

Discussion of Prizes for Student Competition

- ▶ There will be no change in the amount of money used for prizes (i.e. SAC is not asking for additional prize money)
- ▶ The prize money will be given to the student branch with the following conditions
 - Funds have to be used for professional development
 - The professional development must be for benefit of all the student members of the branch as opposed to a single student member
- ▶ SAC is allowing students to use their creativity to find a use of the funds that meets the conditions. The student branch must report to SAC how they decided to use the funds.
- ▶ The branch advisor must approve the use of the funds

Ideas for Using Funds for Professional Development

▶ Resume

- Buy resume templates for their branch
- Pay for their students current resumes to be moved to the new resume

▶ Hiring a interview consultant

- Student branch could have a meeting where they hire a consultant to assist their student branch in interviewing

Students tend to be creative and we are confident they will find other ideas and this list will expand.

Motion

- ▶ Move that the Region 3 ExCom endorse the Student Activities Committee's plan for distribution of SoutheastCon Student Award funds to the Student Branch instead of to individuals, for the purpose of professional development of their members.