

Dear California Geotechnical Engineering Association representatives,

Each year, California State University, Fullerton (CSUF) competes in the American Society of Civil Engineers Geo-Institute's GeoChallenge Competitions. There are four main competitions: GeoWall GeoPrediction, Geovideo, and Geoshirt at the Geo-Institute's annual conference. A total of 25 universities from the nation compete at the Geo-Institute's annual conference.

The main objective of the GeoWall competition is to design and construct a model mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) wall by using poster board as the wall facing and kraft paper as reinforcement to withstand various types of loadings. The CSUF GeoWall team has consistently been awarded first regionally and came in the top three nationally for nine years. The team is the only team nationally to do so. In the past two years, the team was awarded second place overall at the Geo-Institute's National Geowall Competition at GeoCongress in North Carolina. They also won 1st place at the Pacific Southwest Conference Regional GeoWall competition in San Diego, California in 2022. With your support the team can continue its growing success.

The main object of GeoVideo is to create usable lecture videos to demonstrate our understanding of numerous geotechnical concepts and principles. Unfortunately, our student chapter has been unable to compete these past few years due to the Covid-19 outbreak and resulting dwindling numbers. However, in an impressive revival, we had a turnout of over ten people consistently attending practices for geowall. To encourage our students to keep coming to practices, we decided to compete in Geovideo, and Geoshirt to keep our geotechnical students involved. Our students have shown enthusiasm and dedication to improving CSUF overall with their hard work and continuing to better the Geotechnical Institution.

We would like to formally request sponsorship of \$1,000 to our teams to attend and participate in the National Geo-Challenge competitions to be held in Northridge, California at the GeoCongress Conference from March 26th - March 27th.

The priceless knowledge, experience, and support professionals like you bring to students allow us to be the best geotechnical engineering students we can. As a club, we see our performance as a reflection of our university, as well as our sponsors. We make it our goal to prove that with the proper support, we are capable engineering students who are determined to improve the world through geotechnical engineering like the professionals who support us. Your support of our club would be vital so we can continue to carry out these goals.

Thank you for your time and any contributions to our teams. We are available to contact if you have any questions or would like to learn more about our student chapter at CSUF.

Best Regards,

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