

ACI UW

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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History

The Washington ACI Chapter program began in 1962. In 2022, the University of Washington welcomed the program to campus. Since then, our chapter has grown exponentially, attracting students and expanding opportunities to explore the industry. Notably, we have received the ACI Excellent Award in both 2022 and 2023.

Mission

We are a team of civil engineering and construction management students representing the University of Washington in biannual concrete competitions at the ACI conventions. **We aim to equip our members through networking, tours, and hands-on projects, preparing them for successful in careers.**

Vision

Providing student-centered programs ensures that graduates are accomplished in technical expertise, business practices, collaboration, leadership skills, and ethical responsibility. National accreditation and state-of-the-art laboratory facilities will ensure exceptional applied, experiential learning.

EVENTS



Feb 8th - CalPortland Ready Mix and Aggregate Plant Tour

ACI UW had a fun and insightful opportunity touring the CalPortland Ready-Mix and Aggregate Plant led by Alex Collins in Dupont. We started the day by learning how they practice sustainability through sourcing, shipping, and filtration. We then explored the mining process, aggregate sorting, and the heavy machinery involved. We also got to climb on big CAT machines and see the most stunning and peaceful view of the inlet.

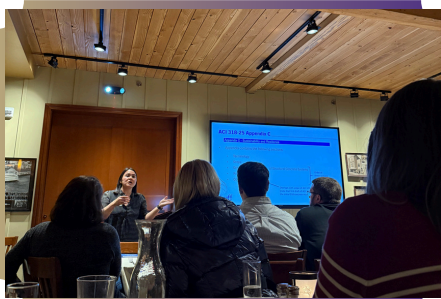
Feb 14 - St. Valentine's Day Tabling

On February 14th, ACI UW members promoted our club at the Husky Union Building, sparking interest among students from various majors! The event was a success, with many stopping by to learn more about the world of concrete!



Feb 26th - SEAW Seattle + WA ACI Chapter Meeting

Students attended an insightful event with ACI WA Chapter to learn about the newly published ACI 323-24 Low-Carbon Concrete Code and the upcoming Sustainability and Resilience Appendix in ACI 318-25, set to become a national standard in 2027. ACI UW members also had the opportunity to network with industry professionals and gain valuable insights into the future of sustainable concrete.



COMPETITION READY!



After two months of hard work, ACI UW is wrapping up preparations for the FRC Bowling Ball Competition this spring in Toronto! Since January, members have joined mixing sessions to help and gain hands-on experience with concrete. We pushed ourselves outside our comfort zones, designing the mold, building the ramp, and testing different mix variations to perfect our champion mix. Thanks to our sponsors, material donors, and fundraising opportunities, we overcame challenges and are ready to compete. A special thank you to everyone who supported us. We can't wait to put our hard work to the test in Toronto!



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