

CSABE/ASABE Annual International Meeting
Toronto, July 13-16, 2025
EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

As a registered guest, you are welcome to attend any events of interest.

Some events are geared more specifically to the Young Professional Community and Students, they coded as follows: E=Everyone; YP=Young Professionals; S=Students.

Updated on 5/23/2025, subject to change.

What's Happening at AIM?

Sunday-Wednesday

Main Event

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Looking for the ❤️ of AIM? Head over to what is referred to as the Exhibit Hall. This year you will find that on the lower level of the Sheraton Centre in Sheraton Hall and the Osgoode Ballrooms.

Activity officially kicks-off on Sunday with the Welcome Ceremony that everyone is invited to. It is a great place to meet up for a quick hello and make plans for dinner nearby to catch up with familiar faces. Among the booths of our fantastic exhibitors and generous sponsors, you will also find the YPC booth, where you can find resources for young professionals and enter in a giveaway for FREE swag! The Membership booth is located here where you can browse ASABE gear, technical journals and books, manage your membership, sign up for the Order of the Engineer Ceremony, and more. Say "HI" to Tina while you are there! There will also be plenty of student activity to watch with the ASABE Robotics Student Design Competition teams working away. Don't forget to stop in for the poster sessions! Technical posters are a great option to connect with the presenter for in-depth discussion on their research.

You can read all about each of these events' descriptions in this brochure. Watch for the AIM app, by Aventri, coming to your inbox around July 7 to be able to create your own personal schedule.

Digital Agriculture Hackathon Kick-Off

The Hackathon Competition will return for 2026 AIM.

ASABE Robotics Student Design Competition

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ASABE Board of Trustees Meeting

Sunday, 7/13/2025 9:30am - 12:15pm

Executive

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Meeting of the Board of Trustees led by Doug Otto, president.

ASABE Board of Trustees, Membership Council, Meetings Council – Future AIM Discussion

Sunday, 7/13/2025 12:30pm - 1:30pm Executive E
Joint meeting for members of the Board of Trustees, Membership Council, and Meetings Council to discuss the AIM.

Fountain Wars Competition

Sunday, 7/13/2025 1:00pm - 3:00pm Student Competition E/S
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Fourth 2024-2025 CSABE Council Meeting

Sunday, 7/13/2025 2:00pm - 4:00pm Council Meeting E
CSABE Council members discuss business management.

AIM Presentation Workshop

Sunday, 7/13/2025 2:30pm - 4:00pm Workshop E/YP/S
Whether you are a graduate student or a young industry professional, technical presentations are something you are dealing with or will have to deal with in the future. Join this FREE session to sharpen up your presentation skills where we will cover the dos and don'ts, share tips to fine tune your presentation, and answer any burning questions.

PEV Training

Sunday, 7/13/2025 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Workshop

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EOPD 204 will be hosting a PEV training session for current and future PEVs. We will be covering and clarifying our existing criteria and recent changes to ABET Criterion.

Community Program Chairs Meeting

Sunday, 7/13/2025 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Committee Meeting

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ASABE Welcome Reception

Sunday, 7/13/2025 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Main Event

E/YP/S

All meeting registrants are invited to attend the welcome reception. This is a great event to network and make plans for dinner later on.

ISB Social and Meeting

Sunday, 7/13/2025 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Community Meeting

E/S

Join the International Student Branch for a social and meeting. Come to learn about resources for students and network with your fellow student members.

YPC Social

Sunday, 7/13/2025 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Social

E/YP

Get the chance to meet young professionals in an informal setting! We will gather in the hotel lobby and walk to Chef's Hall (~5 min) where there will be a variety of options to grab a bite to eat and socialize. This event is free to attend. Food and beverages will not be provided and are up to the individual.

E#1 YPC Fun Run

Monday, 7/14/2025 6:30am - 7:30am

Social

E/YP/S

Join us for a 5k run or 1mile walk around Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel. We will meet at the registration desk at 6:15 am to walk to the starting area. We look forward to you joining us for fun and fitness. This event is sponsored by YPC. Registration is required.

E#2 Prayer Breakfast

Monday, 7/14/2025 6:30am - 8:00am

Social

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The breakfast will begin promptly at 6:30 AM and conclude at 8:00 AM. Pre-registration is required.

Cost: \$30

E#14 McGill Alumni and Friends Breakfast

Monday, 7/14/2025 7:00am - 8:00am

Social

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The Department of Bioresource Engineering at McGill University invites alumni and friends to join and reconnect over breakfast. Reservations are required.

Cost: \$10

ASABE General Session / Recognitions / Keynote Speaker

Monday, 7/14/2025 8:00am - 9:30am

Main Event

E/YP/S

ASABE President Doug Otto, welcomes you to the 2025 Annual International Meeting. Presented and recognized at this time will be ASABE Trustees, Educational Aids Blue Ribbon, Superior Paper Awards, ITSC Paper Awards, Outstanding Reviewer, Retiring Editors, Associate Editors, Conference Chair Recognitions, and Standards Development.

Following these recognitions, President-Elect, Sherry Hunt will introduce our keynote speaker, Julie Borlaug. Read about Julie and her address, *Stronger Together: Telling Our Stories, Shaping Our Future* here.

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E#15 2025 CSABE Annual General Meeting

Monday, 7/14/2025 12:00pm - 2:30pm

Main Event

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Luncheon, Annual Report Presentation and Awards Ceremony reserved to CSABE members.

CSABE membership and RSVPs are required to attend.

Cost: \$0

Boyd-Scott Graduate Research Award

Monday, 7/14/2025 12:00pm - 2:30pm

Student Competition

E/S

The Graduate Student Research Award (GSRA) Competition sets out to recognize excellence in the conduct and presentation of agricultural and biological engineering research carried out by graduate student members. The competition is held in two parts: a written competition and an oral presentation for the top three finalists in the M.S. and Ph.D. categories, which is held at the ASABE Annual International Meeting. Winners will be recognized at the ASABE Student Awards Ceremony on Wednesday.

Alpha Epsilon Annual Business Meeting

Monday, 7/14/2025 12:15pm - 1:15pm

Community Meeting

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Each chapter of Alpha Epsilon should have at least one representative attend.

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Past Presidents Roundtable

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Executive

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The past presidents of ASABE gather to catch up on Society activities, discuss and determine action to assist the Society, and meet and visit with the President-Elect.

Order of the Engineer Ceremony

Monday, 7/14/2025 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Main Event

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Engineering graduates and registered engineers are invited to accept the Obligation of the Engineer and a stainless steel ring which is worn on the little finger of the engineer's working hand. All graduates of ABET accredited engineering programs; seniors in ABET accredited programs within two academic years of graduation; licensed PEs; and members of the Canadian Calling by reciprocity are invited to join the Order. All inductees must be present to accept their certificate and ring at the induction ceremony. The cost of entering the Order is \$20.00 and inductees may register with Tina Schultz in person at the membership booth at the meeting. Learn more about the Order here - <http://www.order-of-the-engineer.org/>

AOCABFE Business Meeting

Monday, 7/14/2025 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Community Meeting

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Business meeting of Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural, Biological, and Food Engineers (AOCABFE), an independent, non-political, non-profit organization for professionals with Chinese origins in agricultural, biological, and food engineering fields worldwide <https://www.aocabfe.org/>. All are welcome!

E#3 Women in ASABE Speed Networking

Monday, 7/14/2025 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Social

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Check out this great networking opportunity for all ASABE members who identify as women! You will meet and visit with women who participate in the annual meeting and perhaps share some of your same interests. You can choose to participate as either a mentor or a mentee; mentors typically include women further along in their careers and mentees include students and early career individuals. Each mentor will host a series of conversations with small groups of mentees. Each mentee will have the opportunity to talk with about 6 different mentors during the hour. Please feel free to contact the session hosts, Tiffany Messer (Tiffany.Messer@uky.edu), Anna Linhoss (alinhoss@auburn.edu), and Becca Muenich (rlogsdo@uark.edu) if you have any questions. Registration is required but there is no charge for this event.

E#4 AABFEIO Business Meeting

Monday, 7/14/2025 5:30pm - 6:30pm Community Meeting E

Join us for the AABFEIO Business Meeting during AIM 2025, bringing together professionals of Indian origin in agricultural and biological engineering. This event features a keynote speaker sharing valuable insights on career opportunities and professional growth. Additionally, we will present the 2025 AABFEIO Awards, including the Best Paper and Young Scientist Awards, recognizing outstanding contributions in the field.

Dinner location after the business meeting to be determined. Please RSVP by purchasing your tickets in advance. Cost for Members: \$35/ Students: \$25/ Spouse: \$30/ Spouse with Child (under age 5): \$40

Fellows Induction Ceremony / Reception

Monday, 7/14/2025 6:00pm - 8:00pm Main Event E

All registrants are invited to this special recognition ceremony and reception honoring the 2025 ASABE Fellows. ASABE defines a Fellow as a member of unusual professional distinction, with outstanding and extraordinary qualifications and experience in, or related to, the field of agricultural, food, or biological systems engineering.

E#5 Women in ASABE Social

Monday, 7/14/2025 6:30pm - 7:30pm Social E

The Women in ASABE Social is an informal mixer open to all ASABE members who identify as women. Hosted by Amy Kaleita from Iowa State University, this event will provide an opportunity to meet, socialize and network with other women from across ASABE. Refreshments will be served.

E#6 AOCABFE Awards Ceremony & Social

Monday, 7/14/2025 6:30pm - 9:30pm Social E

Award banquet and networking opportunity organized by the Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural, Biological, and Food Engineers, an independent, non-political, non-profit organization for professionals with Chinese origins in agricultural, biological, and food engineering fields worldwide <https://www.aocabfe.org/>. Tickets need to be pre-purchased at ASABE AIM registration. We will announce the restaurant location before the meeting. We might rent a charter bus if we have enough registrations.

Cost: AOCABFE Member-\$65/ AOCABFE Student Member-\$20/ Non-Member (older than 13 years old)-\$40/ Non-Member (6 to 12 years old)-\$20

BSE - Virginia Tech

Monday, 7/14/2025 8:00pm - 10:00pm Social E

The Biological Systems Engineering Department of Virginia Tech cordially invites alumni and friends to this gathering on Monday evening. Come, enjoy some refreshments, and catch up on the latest happenings in the department and at Virginia Tech!

Iowa State University Social

Monday, 7/14/2025 8:00pm - 10:00pm Social E

Join faculty, staff, students, friends, and alums of Iowa State University ABE to reconnect and enjoy good company!

E#7 Cornell Alumni and Friends Breakfast

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 7:00am - 8:00am Social E

Biological and Environmental Engineering at Cornell invites alumni and friends to join us to connect over breakfast!

Cost: \$10/ \$5 for students

E#8 Purdue Alumni & Friends - Breakfast

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 7:00am - 8:00am Social E

Purdue University's Dean of Agriculture, the Agricultural & Biological Engr. Dept., and the Engineering Alumni Association invite all alumni and friends to their breakfast. Reservations are required!

Cost: \$10

K.K. Barnes Student Paper Award Competition

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 8:00am - 9:00am Student Competition E/S

The KK Barnes Student Paper Award Competition comprises of an undergraduate student paper competition and an oral competition, which is held at the ASABE Annual International meeting. Winners will be recognized at the ASABE Student Awards Ceremony on Wednesday.

E#9 NRES-21 Networking Breakfast

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 8:15am - 9:15am Social E

We invite members of NRES-21 to join for a networking breakfast before the conference begins.

Cost: \$15/ Students \$5

AGCo Comp

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 11:00am - 12:00pm Student Competition E/S

The top three entries for the student design competition have been invited to this oral competition. Listen to these outstanding engineering design project presentations. Winners will be recognized at the ASABE Student Awards Ceremony on Wednesday.

Canadian Biosystems Engineering Journal Meeting

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 12:00pm - 1:00pm Committee Meeting E

CSABE Council members discuss the journal reorganization.

E#10 Guide to Professional Licensure Lunch and Learn

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 12:15pm - 1:45pm Workshop E/YP/S

Studying for a Fundamentals of Engineering or Professional Licensure Exam? Or just have questions about Professional Licensure? ISB, YPC and PEI, bring you an opportunity to ask our panel of Engineering Interns and registered Professional Engineers questions and get answers related to the FE or PE exam and professional practice. This session is open to all and the first 25 people to register will receive free lunch. Lunch is sponsored by PEI.

Cost: \$0

Bioprocess Competition - Oral Session - ASABE "Shark Tank"

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 12:15pm - 1:45pm Student Competition E/S

This oral presentation session will allow each team approximately 15-20 minutes to present their ideas.

Quarter Scale Tractor Student Design Competition

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 12:15pm - 2:15pm Student Competition E/S

Top finishing teams in the Team Presentation category from this year's competition will give their winning presentations during this session. This is an excellent opportunity for students to see what a top presentation looks like and use that knowledge to improve their own presentation in future years. There will be ample time for Q&A, so come ready to learn.

Gunlogson Environmental Design Student Competition

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 12:30pm - 1:30pm Student Competition E/S

The Gunlogson Environmental Design Student Competition comprises of a written design report and an oral competition, which is held at the ASABE Annual International Meeting. Winners will be recognized at the ASABE Student Awards Ceremony on Wednesday.

ASABE Annual Business Meeting

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 1:00pm - 1:45pm Community Meeting E

Conducted by ASABE President Doug Otto, the Annual Business Meeting features an overview of the state of the Society and the Foundation. All are welcome to attend.

Career Fair

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 1:00pm - 4:00pm Main Event E/YP/S

Join representatives from private industry, academia, and government who are in the forefront of agricultural and biological engineering and make the next step in your career. Career fair is open to all.

ASABE Foundation Board of Trustees

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 2:00pm - 4:30pm Executive E

Meeting of the ASABE Foundation Board of Trustees with breakout meetings for the Foundation committees.

ISB Business Meeting and Professional Development Session

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 3:00pm - 4:30pm Community Meeting E/S

The International Student Branch will vote on nominees for the new class of officers.

YPC Business Meeting

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 5:00pm - 5:45pm Community Meeting YP

Join us for the Young Professional Community Business Meeting to discuss YPC programming throughout the year and at AIM. Come to learn how the YPC can better serve you and the 34 and younger community, and learn about what leadership opportunities are available.

E#11 Business Meeting of AKABFE

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 5:00pm - 5:45pm

Community Meeting

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Annual business meeting sponsored by the Association for Korean Agricultural, Biological, and Food Engineers (AKABFE)

Cost: \$40, \$20 students

African Network Group of ASABE (ANGASABE) Annual Business Meeting and Social Gathering

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Community Meeting

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Since 2009 when ANGASABE was formed, students and professionals of African descent and those from elsewhere considered to be 'Friends of Africa' within ASABE gather to discuss matters that align with our vision and mission, which is to promote and facilitate the exchange and dissemination of current issues on agricultural, biological, and food engineering that support sustainable agriculture development in Africa; that foster collaboration in research and education and; support the professional development of its members and professionals in agricultural, biological and food engineering domains in Africa and in the African diaspora through education and engagement. This meeting is also an opportunity to provide updates on past year's activities, elect new officers, and welcome new members. We hope you will join us. Venue TBD

E#12 Friends of the Foundation: An Evening of Relationship Building in Support of CBSI

Tuesday, 7/15/2025 7:00pm - 9:30pm

Main Event

E/YP/S

Join the ASABE Foundation for Friends of the Foundation: An Evening of Relationship Building in Support of CBSI

Location: Arcadian Loft | 401 Bay St., Simpson Tower, 8th Floor, Toronto

The Arcadian Loft is just east of the Sheraton Centre. Walking will take about 5 minutes down Queen St (towards Bay St from the Sheraton), transportation is not included. Please make your way over at your leisure.

Doors open at 6:30pm for a cocktail reception. Dinner will be served at 7:30pm and features Tee Time for Murder, a Killer Country Club Caper, brought to us by the cast of Mysteriously Yours. Proceeds will raise money for CBSI.

Dress is casual, costumes are welcome (country club setting).

Cost: \$125 USD members and guests/ \$50 USD undergraduate and graduate students. Your purchase includes the entertainment cast, dinner, and two drink tickets.

Sponsorships available: \$250 USD includes your name and/or brand as one guest table centerpiece, please indicate number of tables featuring your brand. Additional recognition and sponsorship opportunities available. Contact Liz Metts with questions.

Career Path Panel

Wednesday, 7/16/2025

8:00am - 9:30am

Workshop

YP/S

Whether you are a student, active on the job market, or pondering a fresh start, join ISB and YPC for an interactive discussion with professionals that have chosen a variety of different career paths. Here you will learn what it is like to work in industry, academia, or the government sector from ASABE members at different levels in their career.

Come with your questions because there will be a Q&A component!

E#13 ASABE Student Awards and Major Awards Ceremony and Luncheon

Wednesday, 7/16/2025 12:30pm - 2:30pm Main Event E/YP/S

A complete list of awards to be presented will be posted at a later date. This lunch is included with your registration, be sure to select the option when registering though to receive your lunch ticket. Additional tickets will be available for purchase for guests.

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ASABE Board of Trustees Meeting

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Meeting of the 2024-2025 Board of Trustees with transition to the 2025-2026 Board of Trustees meeting.