

# AIChE Chicago

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March 2025 Newsletter

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## AIChE Chicago March Meeting

Metal-Organic Frameworks at Numat: A Decade of Innovation,  
High-tech Manufacturing, and Future Growth



## Dr. William Morris

Director of Business Development at Numat

**Date:** March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Tour Location:** Numat (Tour at 5:30 PM)

1358 N Kostner Ave, Chicago, IL 60651

**Meeting Location:** One Lake Brewing

1 Lake St, Oak Park, IL 60302

**Cost:** \$55 Non-Member  
\$45 Member\* / Retired\*  
\$30 Unemployed\*  
\$10 Student

\*Must be AIChE Global and Chicago Section Member to be eligible for rate

**Registration:** <https://cvent.me/arVZVI>

**Please note the registration deadline for the tour is March 24 (by 11 AM).**

## Chair's Corner

Happy Spring Chicago Local Section! It's hard to believe that there are only three big events left in our Centennial year programming. Coming up this week on 3/26 is a tour of the Numat facility in Humboldt Park, along with the monthly dinner meeting in Oak Park. Registration is still open, although registration for the tour will close at 11 a.m. on 3/24.

The next event on the calendar is the Midwest Regional Conference, Student Poster Competition, and monthly meeting at UIC on 4/29. We already have over 80 registrants for the conference, and our MRC Planning Committee is working hard to put together a solid technical program. Please note that you have the option to register for the dinner meeting only if you can't attend MRC for the full day. I'm also encouraging all of our local undergrad and grad ChemE students to enter the poster competition for the chance to show off their work and potentially win a gift card prize!

Finally, we will cap off our Centennial with a celebration on 5/10 at the Carleton Hotel in Oak Park. I want to give a shout out to the members of the Centennial Planning Committee for their efforts in putting together this event to highlight 100 years of AIChE Chicago history.

Last month, we had a fascinating tour of the MxD facility on Goose Island that showcased cutting-edge smart manufacturing technologies applied to real-world applications. I want to extend my appreciation to them again for being such engaging and gracious hosts. I also want to thank our members who attended the February monthly meeting for their understanding in the snafu with the meeting location and speaker. The Section volunteers do our best to try to make things run smoothly, and we will incorporate lessons learned for the experience for future meeting planning. I hope the attendees still enjoyed the tour, dinner, and networking!

As always, please reach out to me at [chair@aiचेchicago.org](mailto:chair@aiचेchicago.org) with any questions, comments, or suggestions for the Section.

With Best Regards,

***Matt Walters***

AIChE Chicago Section Chair 2024-25



## March Meeting Information

### Biography:

Dr. Morris is Numat's Director of Business Development, He is responsible for leading business development across several key verticals. In this role, he works with external and internal stakeholders to establish business cases, define technical scopes, and deliver on project milestones.

Prior to this role, Dr. Morris served in a variety of roles at Numat over the past ten years, including Director of Technology, Director of R&D, and Laboratory Chemist. In these roles, he worked as part of the team that successfully commercialized some of the first MOF products. Dr. Morris received his MChem from the University of Manchester and his Ph.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles.



### Abstract:

Metal-organic frameworks at Numat: A decade of innovation, high-tech manufacturing, and future growth.

Over the past decade, Numat has focused on commercializing metal-organic frameworks (MOFs). To facilitate the commercialization of MOFs, Numat has expanded its team to over eighty individuals with expertise in chemistry, engineering, business development, manufacturing, and quality.

Concentrating on applications characterized by small volumes and high value, Numat has successfully brought MOF products to market, catering to the defense and electronics industries. In 2024, Numat moved to a new domestic manufacturing site with the capacity to produce one hundred tons of MOF-based products per year. This presentation will offer a historical perspective on Numat's growth, discuss challenges in applied research that have been overcome to commercialize MOFs, highlight the new manufacturing site, and provide a perspective on growth areas.

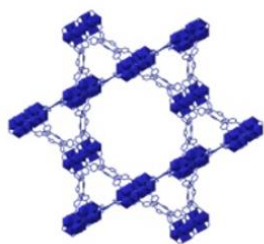


Figure 1) (Left to right) A representative MOF structure, a scaled MOF product, and prototype protective equipment integrating Numat's MOF technology.

**Event Information:** <https://cvent.me/XqgAg1>

### Tour and Meeting Agenda:

5:00 – 5:30 PM: Check in at Numat

5:30 – 6:30 PM: Tour at Numat

6:30 – 7:00 PM: Drive to restaurant and check in (One Lake Brewing, 1 Lake St, Oak Park, IL 60302)

7:00 – 7:40 PM: Dinner

7:40 – 7:50 PM: Section Announcements

7:50 – 8:50 PM: Speaker & Discussion

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## AICHe Chicago Centennial Celebration

The Chicago Section was the first section in AIChE, and this 2024-2025 programming year will mark its 100-year anniversary! Please view [our website](#) to read more about our past.

The centennial will be recognized throughout the year with special monthly meeting arrangements and of course a big party to celebrate so stay tuned! The newsletter will also feature guest articles and other snippets of history which we hope you will enjoy.

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## AICHe Chicago History – Website

*by Janet Werner*

The late 1990s were a time when the internet was exploding, and everyone was interested in exploring the world wide web. AIChE Chicago was not going to be left behind and set up its own website -- [www.aiche-chicago.org](http://www.aiche-chicago.org). (NOTE - this domain is no longer owned by AIChE Chicago)

Allan Fluharty, Secretary 1997-1998 and Chair 2001-2002, is believed to have set up the first and most basic version of the website while he was Secretary. While Allan does not recall if he set up the first website or not, there are no currently available records or local section volunteer recollections that refute this. Allan learned HyperText Markup Language (HTML) and used Notepad to write HTML code, since there were no sophisticated web development tools or integrated development environments (IDEs) like we have today. The first web browser, WorldWideWeb (later renamed Nexus), was both a browser and an editor, allowing users to view and edit web pages.

When creating the first website, Allan copied and pasted source code from other websites that he liked. Updating the website meant manually editing the HTML files and uploading them to the server, as there were no content management systems (CMS) or automated tools available at the time. In 1998, Roger Masson (Webmaster 1998-2001) became the section's first official webmaster.

He created multiple pages to highlight the upcoming events and hard work of the many committees, such as the Student Outreach Committee. Roger was not an experienced web designer but was willing to learn HTML from books such as "HTML for Dummies." Roger initially coded the website in HTML in a word processor program or Notepad, similar to Allan. He later obtained Microsoft FrontPage, which made updating and designing the website much faster and more efficient. Websites during this time period mostly text-based with very limited graphics. Images and multimedia content were rare due to slow internet speeds and limited browser capabilities, as most personal internet connections at this time were through dial-up modems.



## AIChE CHICAGO!

American Institute of Chemical Engineers - Chicago Section

WELCOME!



Welcome to the website of the Chicago Section of the AIChE. The Chicago Section is the first local section organized by the AIChE. The Chicago Section is one of the largest within the institute with over 1,200 members.

### Points of Interest!

- **Thiele Award Nominations.** The Chicago Section is seeking nominations for the [Thiele Award](#) which recognizes the outstanding contributions to our profession by a Midwest region chemical engineer.
- **Upcoming events**
  - [January Social Night](#) on 1/12/99
  - [February Meeting](#) on 2/16/99
  - [Distillation Seminar](#) on 2/16/99
  - [Engineers Week](#) on 2/21-27/99

- **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed for Student Outreach including:

- Judges for Science Fairs being held between January and March
- AIChE's Engineer's Week Booth at IIT's Wheaton campus on February 26 and 27, 1999
- Museum of Science & Industry is looking for science fair judges for March 19, 1999
- Classroom Visits

For more information visit the [Student Outreach](#) Page.

- **75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION PLANNING**

The Chicago Section will turn 75 years old next fiscal year. We are looking for volunteers to help make next year's celebration memorable. For more information visit our new [web page](#).

A special acknowledgement goes to the Chemical Engineering Department of [Northwestern University](#) for hosting the Chicago Section Website.

**8558** hits since 9/21/98

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Please feel free to contact the webmaster at [suggestions@aiiche-chicago.org](mailto:suggestions@aiiche-chicago.org) with your comments on the site.  
Site last updated on January 21, 1999.

A capture of [www.iche-chicago.org](http://www.iche-chicago.org) from January 1999 from the Way Back Machine (the earliest capture available)

The AIChE Chicago site was initially hosted on a computer at Northwestern University, through sponsorship from professor Linda Broadbelt. Website updates were done by using FTP (File Transfer Protocol) to upload files. Northwestern continued to host the website until November 2004, when the hard drive on the computer at Northwestern became full. The section then moved the website to the popular web hosting service GoDaddy.

The website continued to be re-designed, updated, or simply maintained based on the help of several webmaster volunteers over the next 10 years including: Ben Geres, Dennis O'Brien, Tom King, Heather Mayers, Janet Werner, Jeff Umbach, and Oleg Yazvin.

**AICHe®** American Institute of Chemical Engineers  
Chicago Section

**Symposium** Welcome to the Chicago Section of AICHe. The Chicago Section is the first local section organized by the AICHe. The Chicago Section is one of the largest within the institute, with over 1,200 members.

**Chicago Section Information** [Here are some of our recent and future activities:](#) XML  
(Updated May 1, 2007)

- **May 5, 2007:** 11th Annual Conference of the Chinese-American Chemical Society, Great Lakes Chapter (GLCACs) [Click here for Announcement](#)
- [May 2007 Newsletter](#) is posted.
- **Local Section Meeting:** May 9, 2007, Dr. Elmer Lewis, Northwestern University 2007-08 Section Officer Elections will be held at this meeting. Please see page 2 of [May '07 newsletter](#) for election slate [Click Here to Register](#) | [Click here for Information](#)
- **Chemical Engineering: Food for Thought,** A series of articles by J. Peter Clark on foods in which chemical engineering unit operations and principles have a prominent role [Click here for the series](#)
- [Chad Mirkin](#), Northwestern University professor quoted on Nanotechnology
- **Volunteer Please! AICHe - Chicago needs your help!** This is an excellent opportunity to volunteer your talent to meet people, network, and help build a strong chemical engineering community. [Click here for a list of open positions](#). Please find a position that interests you and let us know [aichechicom@aiche-chicago.org](mailto:aichechicom@aiche-chicago.org)
- Nominations for the [Thiele Award](#) are due. Please contact James Simnick for more information [simnicji@bp.com](mailto:simnicji@bp.com)
- See the [Resumes&Jobs](#) under Professional development for More new job listings-- The market is heating up! Jerry Bard is back. Please send your resume to Jerry for review.

American Institute of Chemical Engineers  
Chicago Section  
*Dennis O'Brien, PE*

A capture of [www.aiche-chicago.org](http://www.aiche-chicago.org) from April 2007 from the Way Back Machine

In 2014, national AICHe was encouraging local sections to move their websites to their national website. Since this limited the website design and website maintenance required for the Chicago Section volunteers, Chicago Section (primarily then webmaster Oleg Yazvin) began migrating all the old website events and newsletters to the new Chicago Section website, the current [www.aiche.org/Chicago](http://www.aiche.org/Chicago).

We have had a dozen or less official webmaster volunteers since the start of the section's website. Since 2018, the webmaster position has been largely vacant and instead various members of the officer board have been filling in to update parts of the website.

If you want to help us keep members up to date, let us know and you can help contribute to our legacy on the world wide web!

Special thanks to Allan Fluharty and Roger Masson for their contributions to this article!

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## Local Section Dues Notice

AIChE national memberships run on a calendar year basis. If you haven't already paid your national membership dues for 2025, please help support us by including Chicago Local Section dues in that national membership payment – our local section dues are only \$20.

We really appreciate your financial support, especially during this Centennial Anniversary year. Without local section dues, we would not be able to hold monthly meetings, plan the Midwest Regional Conference, support local chemical engineering student chapters, or even send out this newsletter by email!

Pay Local Section Dues by following the links on our website: [Join the Chicago Local Section | AIChE](#)

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## Voluntary Member Donation for the Centennial Year

Dear Member:

This year the AIChE Chicago Section, will be celebrating its Centennial Year. This year marks 100 years of commitment, dedication, and camaraderie among chemical engineers in our region and beyond.

Throughout the years, our section has tirelessly worked to serve as a beacon for chemical engineers, facilitate a vibrant community that fosters professional development, keep members informed of the latest technological advancements, address the evolving challenges within our industry, and encourage students to enter into the fields of science and engineering. These goals are accomplished through our Section's monthly meetings, a newsletter, a web page ([www.AIChE.org/Chicago](http://www.AIChE.org/Chicago)), high school science events, our annual student poster competition, and the AIChE Midwest Regional Conference.

Through the years of changes you, as members, have provided invaluable voluntary support to the section in developing and offering these activities.

On the occasion of our 100th year, we are offering you a unique opportunity to strengthen the Section to carry on its multifaceted activities by making a personal donation. Your donation will help the Section to continue its outstanding activities. Contributions may be done on-line using the following link:

<https://cvent.me/yG5oPw>

Contributors will be recognized in a later edition of the newsletter.

This Voluntary Member Donation for the Centennial Year is different from a nominal sponsorship by companies for individual programs and separate from the cost for the one-day Centennial Celebration event on May 10th, 2025.

Your generous support for the section, as well as past and continued contribution through your presence and participation all these years is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Chicago Section Officer Board

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

# AICHE CHICAGO CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

*since 1925*

we invite all chemical engineers to join us in celebrating the legacy of the AIChE Chicago Chapter. Come reconnect with peers, network with industry leaders, and be part of an event that celebrates the milestones, achievements, and vision for the future of our field.

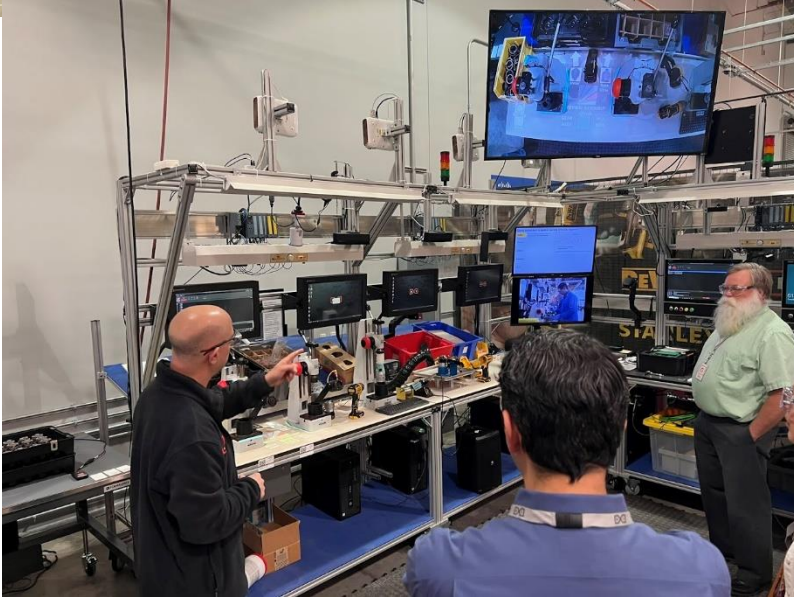
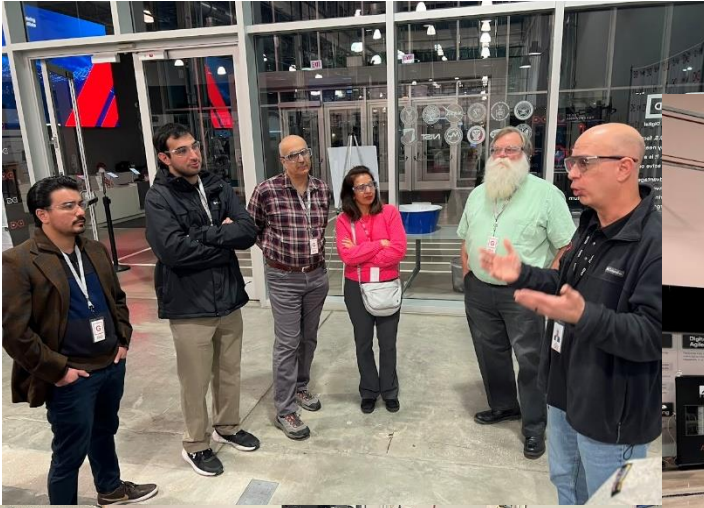
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1110 PLEASANT ST, OAK PARK, IL 60302



## February Meeting Photos





**March is Women's History Month** The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in commemorating and encouraging the study, observance and celebration of the vital role of women in American history. [Read More »](#).

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## Women in Chemical Engineering: An AIChE Community

*Originally posted on AIChE ChEnected on March 16, 2021*

The Women's Initiatives Committee was chartered in 1998, with Joan Brennecke (then at the University of Notre Dame, and today at University of Texas at Austin) as its first chair.

Today, WIC is one of AIChE's most active communities, and the committee continues to expand its activities. In addition to AIChE meeting workshops for undergraduates, grad students, and women in academia, recent programming has been dedicated to women in the petrochemicals industries, women in process safety, workplace retention and reentry for women in the profession, and many other topics pertinent to the community.

In a move to better reflect WIC's contributions and leadership role in AIChE and the chemical engineering profession at large, in 2019 the leaders of the Women's Initiative Committee relaunched the group under a new name — Women in Chemical Engineering, an AIChE Community — emphasizing the inclusivity and community aspect of WIC.

The group's mission remains much the same as it was when WIC was first established:

Women in Chemical Engineering, an AIChE Community will lead in promoting the entry, development, and full participation of women in the Institute and the profession through the following strategies:

- Develop/distribute resources on subjects pertaining to women in the profession.
- Mobilize AIChE to meet the needs of existing and potential female members of AIChE and the profession.
- Provide networking means for women in AIChE.
- Increase the visibility of women within AIChE and the profession.

[Read Complete Article and More on AIChE ChEnected »](#)



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## Nominations Requested for the Ernest W. Thiele Award

The Ernest W. Thiele award is sponsored by bp and recognizes the outstanding contributions to our profession by a Midwest region chemical engineer. This award was established by the AIChE Chicago Section and is presented annually to a Midwest region AIChE member. This internationally recognized award consists of an engraved plaque and \$1,000 honorarium presented at a monthly section meeting.

Nomination forms and additional information can be obtained from the Thiele Committee Chair. Completed nominations are due to the committee chair no later than **April 01, 2025**.

One of the highest honors a distinguished chemical engineer can receive is our AIChE Chicago Section Thiele award. Please consider nominating a deserving engineer for this prestigious award.

To nominate, please contact: **Jeffrey Zalc – bp Solutions, P&O**

**Phone: 630.881.5478 Email: [jeffrey.zalc@bp.com](mailto:jeffrey.zalc@bp.com)**

More information about this award and the past winners:

<https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/chicago-local-section/ernest-w-thiele-award>

<https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/local-sections/chicago/thiele-award-past-winners>

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### **Why renew your AIChE Membership?**

Renew your membership now to keep learning and growing.

**Stay connected to 40,000+ international members who take advantage of:**

- Subscription to AIChE's flagship publication: CEP
- Education – Access to e-learning courses and instructor led training which can offer Continuing Education Units and PDHs.
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[View more benefits here!](#)

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Connect with members and participate in discussions on [Engage!](#)

Check out AIChE's member benefit, AIChE Engage. Use the robust directory search to find and connect with members. Participate in technical, career, and academic discussions about chemical engineering.



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## **Early Career Community (ECC) / Young Professionals Committee (YPC) Chicago Section**

AIChE's Early Career Community (ECC) / Young Professionals Committee (YPC) Chicago Section was created to start and maintain young professionals' involvement in AIChE after graduation and to ensure that students retain their membership through their transition into the work force.

We enthusiastically welcome all people with a degree in Chemical Engineering, including those currently working in industry and academia, recent graduates, and those pursuing other paths. We also welcome current students, both undergraduate and graduate students to our events.

The Chicago YPC exists as a subset of the AIChE Chicago Section.

Our goal is to provide technical, career, and networking opportunities to young Chemical Engineering professionals in the Chicagoland area. To accomplish this, we seek to provide a variety of technical and social activities, provide outreach and volunteering opportunities, and to create programming that will appeal to ChemE's under 35.

*General ECC Website: <https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/committees/early-career>*

*ECC/YPC Chicago Website:*

*<https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/local-sections/Chicago/young-professionals>*

*Email us at [yp.aichechicago@gmail.com](mailto:yp.aichechicago@gmail.com)*

*Connect with us on Facebook! Search for 'YPC Chicago'*

*Join our mailing list! Find our Google group under 'ypcchicago'*

Join Our GroupMe and become a part of the Chicago Chemical Engineering Young Professional Community:

[https://groupme.com/join\\_group/99685952/GrFycymv](https://groupme.com/join_group/99685952/GrFycymv)

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## **March Social Information**

Hey ChemEs!

Join us for a fun trivia event on Wednesday, March 26th at 7 PM! The Aiche YP group will bring our brains together for a trivia night at Beer on the Wall in Park Ridge.

Details:

Beer on the Wall (Park Ridge)

Wednesday, March 26th, 6:45 PM Meetup

Location: 106 Main St, Park Ridge, IL 60068

Please reach out to [allisonnordvall@gmail.com](mailto:allisonnordvall@gmail.com) to RSVP or if you have questions.



# 17TH AICHE MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

## Topics :

- Energy Storage
- Process Systems Engineering and AI/ML Applications
- Catalysis
- Process Safety & Occupational Health
- Bioengineering and Biorefining
- Polymers and New Materials
- Circularity and Sustainability
- Fluids Dynamics
- Chemical Engineering Career Development

📅 April 29, 2025

📍 University of Illinois at Chicago

## Important Dates

- Early Bird Deadline: March 14th, 2025
- Poster Submission Deadline: March 21st, 2025

## KEYNOTES SPEAKERS



**Shirley Meng**

Professor Pritzker School of  
Molecular Engineering at UChicago  
Chief Scientist  
Energy Storage Science at Argonne  
National Laboratory



**Zara Summers**

Chief Science Officer  
Lanza Tech



**David Bernal**

Assistant Professor  
Davidson School of Chemical  
Engineering  
Purdue University

## Conference Registration



## Conference Website



## Poster Submission

If you are interested in presenting a poster or paper, being a session chair or co-chair, or getting involved and volunteering then please send an email to

**Jarad Champion (conference chair):** [jaradchampion@aichechicago.org](mailto:jaradchampion@aichechicago.org)

Website: <https://www.aiche.org/conferences/midwest-regional-conference/2025>

Call for Abstracts: <https://aiche.confex.com/aiche/mrc17/cfp.cgi>

Registration: <https://web.cvent.com/event/62b77490-b2af-4aa0-b9cc-fe3d7a8273e4/summary>

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## AICHe Chicago Section Poster Competition

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

**Submissions are still being accepted at the following link:**

<https://aiche.confex.com/aiche/mrc17/cfp.cgi>

**Prizes:** Gift cards to the top undergraduate and graduate students

**More Information:** Posters on any topic related to chemical engineering are welcome, including research and senior design projects. The competition will be judged by a panel of chemical engineers, with criteria based on quality of poster, presentation, delivery, and importance/relevance of project.



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### Poster Judges Needed!

Judges are needed for the student poster competition that will be held as part of the Midwest Regional Conference and Chicago local section meeting on April 29. Posters will be judged on quality and organization, the student's delivery and ability to answer questions, and the importance/relevance of the project. Please contact Jason Wu (conference program chair) at [Jason.Wu3@Honeywell.com](mailto:Jason.Wu3@Honeywell.com) or Adam Kanyuh (poster session chair) at [Adam.Kanyuh@Honeywell.com](mailto:Adam.Kanyuh@Honeywell.com) if you would be willing to assist.



## 2025 AIChE Chicago Meeting Schedule and Speakers

Month	Date	Speaker	Affiliation	Topic
March	26th	Dr. William Morris	Numat	Metal-Organic Frameworks at Numat
April	29th	Prof. David Bernal	Purdue University	Perspectives of Quantum Computing in Chemical Engineering
May	10th	TBD	TBD	AIChE Chicago Centennial Celebration

## Upcoming AIChE Conferences, Meetings, and Webinars

AIChE Conferences	
Apr 6-10, 2025	<a href="#">2025 Spring Meeting and 21st Global Congress on Process Safety</a> , Hilton Anatole, Dallas, TX, USA
April 9-11, 2025	<a href="#">9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Accelerating Biopharmaceutical Development (AccBio 2025)</a> Hilton Garden Inn Carlsbad Beach, Carlsbad, CA, USA
April 29, 2025	<a href="#">17th AIChE Midwest Regional Conference</a> , University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA
May 5-8, 2025	<a href="#">2025 Offshore Technology Conference</a> , NRG Park, Houston, TX, USA

Chicago ACS Meetings	
April 26, 2025	<a href="#">In-person meeting at Great Escape restaurant.</a>

## Volunteers needed for Chicago Local Section

How many opportunities can you find to learn project management, delegation, and leadership skills for free? Volunteering with the Chicago Section of AIChE is such an opportunity. While you're learning new skills, your professional network grows. Just about all of us are undergoing a career change, contemplating a career change, or are wondering if our career will be changed for us.

Volunteering with AIChE is a way to add skills and accomplishments to your resume.

Volunteers are needed to help with:

- Programming – arrange speakers for monthly meetings and arrange catering/venues.
- Logistics – arrange catering and venues
- Newsletter Editor – prepare and publish ten monthly newsletters
- Newsletter Contributors – write meeting summaries, contribute photos, and more
- Engineering Outreach – coordinate three annual K-12 outreach events with high schools and colleges
- Professional Development and Sponsorship – arrange companies to sponsor pre-meeting talks to help fund student dinners
- Awards and Scholarship Committees – Review applications for local Section awards and scholarships
- Midwest Regional Conference – various roles with programming, logistics, website work, advertising, sponsorships, high school outreach, poster session, and more!
- Young Professionals – plan socials and programming for young professionals (under 35)

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact us at [aichechicago@gmail.com](mailto:aichechicago@gmail.com)

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## AIChE Volunteer and Meeting Attendee Conduct Guidelines

AIChE's volunteers are the core of the Institute and make all of its programs, conferences and educational efforts possible. These offerings provide excellent opportunities for AIChE members and meeting attendees to gain greater technical expertise, grow their networks, and enhance their careers. AIChE events provide engineers, scientists, and students a platform to present, discuss, publish and exhibit their discoveries and technical advances. At all times, volunteers and meeting attendees should act in accordance with AIChE's Code of Ethics, upholding and advancing the integrity, honor and dignity of the chemical engineering profession. AIChE's Board of Directors has developed these guidelines to foster a positive environment of trust, respect, open communications, and ethical behavior. These guidelines apply to meetings, conferences, workshops, courses and other events organized by AIChE or any of its entities and also to volunteers who conduct other business and affairs on behalf of AIChE.

### Specifically

1. Volunteers and meeting attendees should understand and support AIChE's Code of Ethics.
2. Volunteers and meeting attendees should contribute to a collegial, inclusive, positive and respectful environment for fellow volunteers and attendees, and other stakeholders, including AIChE staff.
3. Volunteers and meeting attendees should avoid making inappropriate statements or taking inappropriate action based on race, gender, age, religion, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, marital status, political affiliation, presence of disabilities, or educational background. We should show consistent respect for colleagues, regardless of discipline, employment status, and organizations for which they work, whether industry, academia, or government.
4. Disruptive, harassing or other inappropriate statements or behavior toward other volunteers, members, and other stakeholders, including AIChE staff, is unacceptable.
5. Volunteers and meeting attendees should obey all applicable laws and regulations of the relevant governmental authorities while volunteering or attending meetings. Volunteers and meeting attendees taking part in any AIChE event, including the ChemECar Competition™, should also comply with all applicable safety guidelines. Violations of this conduct policy should be reported promptly to the AIChE President or Executive Director.



## AIChE Chicago Section

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<https://www.aishe.org/community/sites/local-sections/chicago>

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	Reza Mostofi
	Ha Dinh
Logistics Committee	Elizabeth Ibarra
Publicity Committee	Sanaz Taghvaii Arabi
Early Career/ Young Professionals Committee	Allison Nordvall
Awards Committee	Azita Ahmadzadeh
Cvent Manager	Rishabh Jain
Newsletter Editors	Ethan Caesar
	Robert Tsai

### Submitting Articles to AIChE Columns

We welcome email submissions for our monthly newsletter. Commercial announcements are subject to a fee. News stories, editorials, technical, or career related non-commercial contributions are always welcome for no charge. We consider job postings, announcements of for-free training courses, expositions, and conferences as commercial. Categorization of announcements is at the sole discretion of the Chicago AIChE Board of Directors. The AIChE Chicago Section may publicize activities of interest to our members by cooperating professional societies and other non-profits without charge.

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### We want you for AIChE Chicago!

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