

How can I start a new Student Chapter?



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A full-page background image featuring a vibrant sunset over a calm ocean. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and water. The sky is filled with scattered clouds that catch the light, creating a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of two people standing on a rocky cliff are visible on the left, looking out at the sea. The overall mood is peaceful and inspiring.

**GET MOTIVATED,
STAY MOTIVATED**

Documents needed:

- 1. Organizing Petition**
- 2. Bylaw**
- 3. Sponsorship**
- 4. Advisor**



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1- Organizing Petition:

- Minimum 15 students
- ACI membership required (**free** for students):
 - ✓ <http://www.concrete.org/Membership/StudentMembership.aspx>.



Student Chapter Organizing Petition

The undersigned students of _____ petition
(name of school)

the Board of Directors of the _____ to authorize the
(name of sponsoring ACI chapter)

formation of a student chapter to be named _____
(name of student chapter)

The student chapter will function as a section of, and be responsible to, the above captioned ACI chapter. The following person, who is a faculty member of the above captioned school, a member of the sponsoring ACI chapter, and a member of ACI, has agreed to serve as advisor to the student chapter:

Advisor's Name _____ Position _____

This petition was signed at _____, this _____ day of _____, _____
(location) (day) (month) (year)

1. _____ ACI Member # _____
2. _____ ACI Member # _____
3. _____ ACI Member # _____
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7. _____ ACI Member # _____
8. _____ ACI Member # _____



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2- Bylaws:

- Submit a draft of their proposed bylaws
- A model available for guidance



ACI Student Chapter Model Bylaws (Revised February 2012)

NOTE: These model bylaws are intended as a template for use by ACI Student Chapters. Each ACI Student Chapter is governed by nonprofit corporation laws of its state, province, or country of incorporation. It is recommended these model bylaws be reviewed and compared to such nonprofit corporation laws to ensure compliance with such laws.

NOTE: Student Chapter bylaws cannot be contrary to American Concrete Institute (ACI) bylaws and must be submitted to and approved by the ACI Chapter Activities Committee (CAC).

NOTE: When submitting bylaws for approval please remove all included instructions and notes from your submitted draft. Also replace the heading above with the chapter name and the date of your draft.

ARTICLE I – NAME

Section 1: The name of the corporation is **(insert name of proposed chapter)**, herein referred to in these bylaws as “Student Chapter”.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

Section 1: The purpose of the Student Chapter shall be to encourage student interest in the study of concrete and to develop an awareness of ACI, ACI chapters, and consensus procedures by which ACI operates.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERS

Section 1: Active members shall be undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in a learning institution who have an expressed interest in concrete and who are in good standing



3- Sponsorship:

- Letter of approval and support from the local Chapter, acknowledging sponsorship and mentorship to the student chapter. If there is no local chapter in the area, a letter of approval from the department dean is acceptable.

4- Advisor:

- University advisor
- Member of the local Chapter
- ACI member
 - ✓ In case he/she is not a member, a free one-year ACI membership will be provided: <https://www.concrete.org/educatorsandresearchers/facultynetwork.aspx>

Student Activities



Student concrete competitions



Social Events and Community Service



Seminars, Workshops, Site Visits

ACI Award for University Student Activities



Recipients of the ACI Award for University Student Activities receive a physical and electronic award banner and are recognized during the ACI Spring Concrete Convention and Exposition and featured in Concrete International magazine.

Applications due January 31



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Any question?

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