

# The Construction Specifications Institute



## CSI Northeast Region Academic Programs Webinar

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&

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Welcome!

CSI Northeast Region Academic  
Program Committee  
Members & All Others on this  
Call





# Objective of the Meeting

- Continue a regular communication between all Members of the Academic Program Committee in the Northeast Region
- Highlight of activities of the Region since last call
- CSI Academies Update
- Upcoming Certification exams
- Upcoming NER Board Meeting





# Need to Clarify



Is third Monday noon a good time for our webinars/teleconferences?

Is half hour sufficient or should we increase time to one hour?

(15 chapters x 2 minutes= 30 minutes)



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# Communication with Institute



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# Roles & Responsibilities

Region Academic Committee

Region Academic Chair

Chapter Academic Chairs

Members


Roles & responsibility is in NER website

Can email Roles & Responsibilities





# Alignment with CSI Strategic Plan



Construction Industry Perspective:  
Strengthen Educators' understanding of  
CSI's role and resources

- Future progress for CSI will require champions within academic Institutions, informed by two-way learning and information sharing. Educators should recognize CSI's unique knowledge expertise in building information management and CSI must recognize the needs of educators for knowledge content to fit into the education curriculum





# Awards



## Andrew J Drozda Academic Programs Award

- Form 301
- 5 minimum endorsement letters
- Nominee must be CSI Member, Chapter, Region or Group with at least one CSI member in group
- 2 awards in form of certificate





# Andrew J Drozda Academic Award Criteria



## a. Award Criteria

- 1) This award is presented to a CSI member, Chapter, Region or Group that has worked with an institution of higher education offering a construction-related curricula and:
  - a) Has made significant contributions to enhance the image and recognition of CSI within the educational institution(s), OR
  - b) Has significantly contributed to preparing students in construction-related curricula to make a difference in the construction community
- 2) Nomination shall include a narrative explaining the reason for nomination.
- 3) See nomination matrix, submission information page and submission forms for general requirements.





# Awards



## Dale C. Moll Student Award

- Form 303
- No endorsement letters
- Nominee may be Group or individual
- 1 awards in form of certificate
- Submittal of 1 original 6 Copies





# Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund Award Criteria

## Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund

The Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund was established to promote the greater awareness of CSI to students completing studies in a construction related educational program. Monies from the Fund are intended to enable a student and faculty member from the student's institution of higher learning to attend The CSI Annual Convention.

### a. Award Criteria

#### 1) Nominee must:

- a) be enrolled in one of the following types of bona fide institutions of higher education: Colleges or Universities; Junior Colleges; Community Colleges; Vocational/Technical Schools.
- b) be attending an accredited institution pursuing a course of study pertaining to the construction industry in one of the following: Architecture; Landscape Architecture; Interior Design; Construction Engineering; Construction Management; Construction Technology; Engineering, or other design or construction related field.
- c) have at least one year of school and course work remaining before graduation or if in the last year of their current program, be continuing their education at an accredited institution in the immediate succeeding year.
- d) have a grade point average of not less than 2.5 on a point scale of 4.0.

- 2) Qualified Nominators: Any person may nominate the student or the student may self-nominate.
- 3) No part of the nomination shall be handwritten.
- 4) See nomination matrix, submission information page and submission forms for general requirements.





# Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund Award Criteria

## b. Funding:


- 1) The Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund will finance attendance at The CSI Annual Convention for the student and a faculty member from the college or department in which the student is majoring for each to receive a framed certificate. Funding will cover the reimbursement of the following for both the student and the faculty member:
  - a) Exhibit hall and education programs registration;
  - b) Hotel reservation (base on single occupancy, three nights maximum, room and tax); and,
  - c) Lowest available coach airfare up to \$450
- 2) Should funding not be available, the award will not be offered. This determination will be made prior to the opening of each awards season.

## c. Judging:

- 1) Subject to availability of funds by CSI's Finance Committee.
- 2) Recommendation: CSI's Academic Programs Committee will review the nominations and recommend awardees to the CSI Foundation Board.
- 3) Approval: The CSI Foundation Board will review the Academic Programs Committee's recommendations and approve the Awardees.

**Note:** For FY 2012 the Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund Award will be fully funded.





# Metro New York Academic Program Committee

- Collaborated with James Howie at Pratt Institute, School of Construction Management
  - Pizza night at the first day of class where we CSI Metro New York gives a brief introduction of CSI and the value it can bring to students and Academicians
  - Construction Jeopardy conducted by Linton Stables event was very well received by students and staff
  - Funds scholarship every year of \$2,500


This year we are going to require students to study CSI Institute and Chapter website and have students submit 3 para, one on Institute,, one on Chapter and another on how they see themselves benefiting from this organization.







# Deadlines

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- Certification Exams will be offered  
**April 2 - April 28, 2012**, in the U.S. & Canada.  
**Final registration deadline passed**
  - CSI MNY offering classes to prepare for exam  
CSI NJ is offering classes that give an overview of each Chapter presented by Industry experts-  
Architect, Construction Manager,  
Owner/Manufacturer, Spec leader/BIM expert,  
Specification Consultant





# Upcoming Region Board Meeting

Holiday Inn Portsmouth,, Portsmouth, NH

## Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>

- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm board lunch
- 1:00 pm – 5:30 pm NER Board Meeting with 3:00 pm 15 minute Break
- Dinner on your own


## Saturday, April 28th

- Breakfast complimentary for hotel guests
- 9:00 am – 11:00 am Building Stronger Chapters Workshop with 10:00 am 15 minute break
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Region Annual Meeting
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm lunch for attendees





# Upcoming Region Board Meeting



For upcoming NER Board meeting I will be preparing report to update region of activities of the Region, success, failures & suggestion for the Region

Please send me your feedback to include in report by Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>


**WOULD ANYONE LIKE TO ATTEND ?**

**even though it is intended to attract members close NH**





# Any Specific Goal for the Region Committee?

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- Do we want to organize a symposium on topic that would interest Academic Institutions, Owners, Industry experts, Design Professionals, Specification Consultants, and Manufacturers like Integrated Project Delivery or Sustainability?
  - Would you like to me to submit proposal to allocate fund to invite Academician & Industry Expert at Symposium or any other activity?





# Next webinar/teleconference on April 16, 2012

Would anyone like to present at the next webinar?  
Any suggestions ?

I will present to committee material to be included in NER  
Academic Committee report

THANK YOU!

