



**Geo-Institute**  
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Presents

Rules for the National GeoVideo Competition at the  
Geo-Congress 2020, Minneapolis, MN, USA

Important Dates

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| Rules Published         | October 8, 2019      |
| GeoVideo Submission Due | December 20, 2020    |
| Finalists Notified      | January 10, 2020     |
| Geo-Congress 2019       | February 25-28, 2020 |
| Video Presentations     | February 26, 2020    |

**Geo-Congress 2020 Info:**

<https://www.geocongress.org/>

**GeoChallenge Official Information Website:**

<http://www.mygeoworld.com/groups/geo-challenge>

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## Sixth Annual National GeoVideo Competition Rules – Geo-Congress 2020

**1. Objective:** The objective of the GeoVideo competition is to develop short videos explaining various engineering concepts that could be used in classrooms at various levels (elementary school through college) and by the lay person to understand geotechnical principles. The top six videos will be uploaded to the Geo-Institute's YouTube channel.

For Geo-Congress 2020, the competing teams will create videos around the themes of *fundamental soil properties* or *the past, present, & future of geotechnical engineering*. This competition presents a unique opportunity for students interested in geotechnical engineering to create a short video that effectively explains a *fundamental soil property* or *the past, present, & future of geotechnical engineering*.

**2. Eligibility:** A GeoVideo team will consist of one to four students. Students must be enrolled during the Spring 2020 semester or quarter. One team per schools may compete. The video must be submitted by an academic representative of ASCE such as the faculty advisor for ASCE or Geo-Institute.

**3. Submittal:** Each entry must be 1.5 to 3.0 minutes long in HD MP4 format. No submission may contain unauthorized third-party copyrighted material (music, images, video clips, etc.) or inappropriate material. The Geo-Institute reserves the right to reject any video which it determines, in its sole and absolute discretion, contains prohibited content, is offensive, or is otherwise unacceptable for any reason. Submit your application to:

<https://www.geoinstitute.org/2020-geovideo-competition-application>

After you submit this application you will receive an email with a link to upload your video.

**4. Judging:** The submitted videos will be judged and ranked by an anonymous panel of geotechnical and structural engineers. Initial judging will be based on the following criteria:

- a. Visual clarity: 15 pts
- b. Sound quality: 15 pts
- c. Technical accuracy: 40 pts
- d. Editing/features: 15 pts
- e. Ingenuity and creativity: 15 pts

**5. Selection:** Three teams of two to four members each (the number from each team will depend upon available funding) will be invited to the Student Challenge Competition to present based on the ranking of their video and will receive a stipend towards registration and travel. Further evaluation at the conference will determine first, second, and third places.

**6. Viewing:** Teams invited will have the opportunity to show their video during the Student Challenge Competition session in parallel with the other student competitions. The GeoVideo award(s) will be presented at the conference.

**7. Questions:** Questions should be asked on the GeoWorld website:  
<http://www.mygeoworld.com/groups/geo-challenge>