

IStructE Update

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What we'll cover...

- Routes to membership for students:
 - Free Student membership
 - Graduate membership transition
 - GIStructE
- Membership options for academics
 - R&D route
 - Associate
- Resources and benefits

Student membership benefits

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Student Membership

- It's free for anyone in F/T or P/T education in the STEM or built environment subject areas, and is free for the duration of the course
- Student membership is instant when signing up through our website
- Cohort forms are available to sign up a group in one step
- Students can access around £1,000 of benefits as part of their membership

We aim to have an SLO in every university, email education@istructe.org for further info and resources

Membership benefits

~ £1k of benefits

- FREE *The Structural Engineer*: online access to the current issue and full online archive
- FREE Technical Guidance Notes: add to your engineering library
- FREE Essential Knowledge Series: accessible texts explaining engineering fundamentals
- FREE access to Structural Behaviour Quiz and discounts on the Certificate in Structural Behaviour
- FREE access to 3,000+ BSI standards
- Access to the Institution Library with postal loans, click & collect services as well as access to the E-library to access online resources wherever you are in the world
- Discounts on publications such as manuals and guides

Graduate Membership

Automatic upgrade...

- Upon completing studies, Student Members will be automatically upgraded to Graduate Membership – and it's free for the first year
- Grads just need to send in their degree certificate at any time during their free year to continue with Graduate Membership
- GIStructE designation exclusively for those who have passed the Certificate in Structural Behaviour online exam
- Anyone who passes the Certificate in Structural Behaviour will get their second year of Graduate Membership for free, and a 50% discount on their third year (same discounts apply if the exam was passed during Student Membership)

Membership for academics

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Options for Academics

Research and Development Route for MIStructE CEng

- The R&D route is for those who have gained experience of structural engineering mainly through research and development activity
- **Eligibility:**
 - Hold an accredited* MEng degree (or equivalent)
 - 3 or more years experience in a research environment, following completion of a PhD
- * If your degree is not accredited we can carry out an assessment of academic equivalence and help determine the best route for you
- **Assessment:**
 - Submission to include at least five research papers that have been published in high quality refereed journals
 - Professional Review Interview
- The research papers are reviewed in lieu of sitting the Chartered Membership Exam

Options for Academics

Associate AIStructE CEng

- Associate grade of membership is for academics who do not meet the published research work requirement for the R&D route.
- **Eligibility:**
 - Hold an accredited* MEng degree (or equivalent)
 - Sufficient experience to meet the IPD requirements
- * If your degree is not accredited we can carry out an assessment of academic equivalence and help determine the best route for you
- **Assessment:**
 - Professional Review Interview

Resources

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Resources to support teaching

Why not embed the following resources into your teaching?

- Essential Knowledge Series
- Technical Guidance Notes
- Structural Behaviour Quiz

Subscribe to Accuris' *Construction Information Service*

- Your library can purchase a perpetual access licence to host IStructE manuals/guides on their central repository for £650 per title

Sustainability:

- Climate Action End of Year Report for reference
- Sustainability Resources Map for an overview of all publications in this area
- Embodied Carbon Basics Course – free for all members, including Students, and teaches how to calculate embodied carbon

The Student Challenge

New for 2026

The Student Challenge is designed to celebrate students' work, supporting their development and shaping their thinking

- Entries are based on their group projects
- Entrants will need to consider the positive impacts they have explored within their project
- Each submission must address the question *“How does your project contribute to the long-term wellbeing of people and planet?”*
- Groups can be sized from 3 to 12 people and can be multidisciplinary. Some or all members of the project group can enter the competition.
- Deadline for submissions is 27 July 2026
- Cash prizes on offer!

Annual Academics Conference 2025

Friday 12 September

This year's conference will include presentations and discussions on:

- Navigating and integrating machine learning/AI
- Reuse of structural components
- Reuse of structural systems
- Finding space in a crowded curriculum

Sign up to attend this online event via Zoom on Friday 12 September from 10:00 to 15:30

Attendance is free

Visit the IStructE Events page for more info

Questions

If you have any follow up questions or would like to check your own eligibility for membership, please email:

membership@istructe.org

Questions about student membership should be directed to:

education@istructe.org