



2019 Legislative Fly-In

March 12 -13, 2019
Washington, D.C. & Arlington, VA

The 2019 Legislative Fly-In program includes:

- Meetings on Capitol Hill with your Members of Congress or their staff
- Briefing sessions on key legislation active in Congress and ASCE's Legislative Priorities
- Training on lobbying and influencing your elected leaders
- Networking with your ASCE peers from across the country
- A Younger Member Program
- Tips on continuing relationships with your elected officials once you return home

Apply Online to Attend the 2019 Legislative Fly-In:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2019FlyInApplication>

Questions and Answers

Are there any requirements to apply to attend Fly-In?

Yes. You must be an ASCE member in good-standing and be a [Key Contact](#).

Is there a registration fee to attend the 2019 Fly-In?

Due to rising costs and to be good stewards of ASCE funds, there is a \$39 early-bird registration fee and a \$59 regular registration fee for the 2019 Fly-In. The fee is not required to apply. It will be collected during the registration process after applications have been accepted. ASCE Government Relations also offers a limited number of travel awards to help defray some travel costs. **The remaining travel costs are the responsibility of the attendee.** We also provide attendees with a letter they can use to approach other sources (your Section, Branch, employer, etc.) for additional funding and time off.

Why is there an application to attend the Legislative Fly-In?

ASCE uses the application process to help the Society meet a variety of strategic priorities and government relations goals. These goals include such things as increasing the number of congressional

offices ASCE members meet with during Fly-In, having at least two ASCE members from every state participate, and targeting the appropriate congressional committee members who have jurisdiction over our legislative priorities or legislation that is active in Congress. We also use the application process to select travel award recipients.

How can I be considered for a ASCE Government Relations travel award?

You fill out the online application and indicate that you would like to be considered for an ASCE Government Relations travel award.

How do I know if I received an ASCE Government Relations travel award?

The first round of Legislative Fly-In applicants will be notified of their acceptance and selection for a travel award on **December 7, 2018** by ASCE Government Relations staff. A additional rounds of notices will be sent via email through early to mid-January. Additional travel stipends may be offered on a case-by-case basis based on availability of funds.

Will the travel award cover all travel expenses?

No. Travel awards include reimbursement for reasonable airfare and a \$135 a day per diem. The Legislative Fly-In is considered a two-day meeting. ($\$135 \times 2 \text{ days} = \270) Additional criteria must be met to receive reimbursement after Fly-In. Those criteria will be explained via email in the acceptance notification sent via email. Additional nights of per diem may be approved on a case by case basis and must be confirmed in writing.

What can I do to make my Fly-In application stand out?

First, take action by regularly sending the pre-drafted emails to your legislators or emailing the legislator or their staff directly when you receive or become aware of a key alert. Be sure to copy govwash@asce.org if you send a personal email to congressional staff for a key alert. Second, engage in your Region's, Section's, Branch's or Younger Member group's advocacy activities. If your local ASCE group does not engage in advocacy, consider asking your local leadership to add advocacy and government relations to their programming and leadership opportunities.

When can I register to attend Fly-In?

You will receive an email from ASCE Government Relations staff letting you know you have been accepted to attend Fly-In and/or will receive a travel award. That email will contain information on how to confirm your attendance and register for the 2019 Legislative Fly-In.

Will ASCE have a block of hotel rooms at the 2019 Fly-In?

Yes. Hotels in the Washington, D.C. metro region are expensive and March is particularly busy. ASCE does its best to negotiate reasonable rates. ASCE will have a block of rooms available at the hotel. In past year's the single or double room has previously been \$264 a night plus taxes and fees. A government room rate is also made available. Specific information regarding hotel accommodations will be shared in the acceptance notices sent via email.