2026 Silicon Valley WiE Conference

Engineering Beyond Imagination

Saturday, March 21, 2026, 7:30 AM - 6:30 PM

San José State University

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Student Information Packet

Hello 2026 Silicon Valley Women in Engineering Conference Participants,

The Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering at San José State University (SJSU) is proud to bring to you the 2026 Silicon Valley Women in Engineering Conference, "*Engineering Beyond Imagination*," Saturday, March 21, 2026, 7:30 am - 6:30 pm PDT. Nearly 100 industry professionals and San José State University professors will be participating to share with you their technical expertise and career insights. Many of our event sponsors including Google, Dexcom, Adobe, IBM, KLA, Marvell, Quizlet and Teradyne will showcase their innovations and connect with you during the Innovation Showcase and Networking Reception from 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

There will be prize drawings during the morning keynote, lunch keynote and at the conclusion of the conference. You must be present to win. You won't want to miss the first drawing of (2) **$250** and (1) **$500 book scholarships** immediately following the morning keynote. Please drop off your raffle ticket by 8:25 am to qualify.

Please **arrive early** to secure your seat, enjoy a delicious breakfast, and engage with fellow students from all throughout California. Please **have your Eventbrite ticket ready** to show at Registration to speed up the check-in process. The opening address **starts on time** and **latecomers will not be allowed** to attend the keynote.

To maximize your experience from the conference, we suggest you to:

1. Arrive early, prepay your parking before the conference to avoid lines and hassles, and have your Eventbrite ticket handy at Registration.
2. **IMPORTANT,** please check traffic conditions and plan your route to the campus accordingly.
3. Visit the conference website for up-to-date information and map out your personalized conference schedule prior to the conference.

If you have any questions, please email us at WiE-Engineering@SJSU.edu. See you on March 21st!

2026 SV WiE Conference Team

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Time	Emerging Technologies				Professional Development	
7:30 - 8:30 am	**Conference Registration and Continental Breakfast** Ballroom Foyer/Ballroom A/B/C					
8:30 - 9:15 am	**Welcome and Opening Keynote** **From Code to Consequence: Building Technology That Reflects All of Us** - *Ashraf Karim,* *Senior Vice President of Connected Customer Experience, ServiceNow* Ballroom A/B/C					
9:15 - 9:30 am	Break					
Tracks	**Emerging Issues in AI**	**Human-Centered Technology**	**Innovative Automation**	**Sustainable Futures**	**Career Launch I**	**Career Launch II**
Concurrent Sessions 9:30 - 10:30 am	**Digital Detectives: AI & the Future of Forensics** Chairs: Young Park, Nurettin Senol Meeting Room: 4A	**Beyond Reality: The Future of XR** Chair: Nanci Solomon Meeting Room: 2A	**Humanoid AI-Driven Automation** Chairs: Lin Jiang, Jingyi Xie Meeting Room: 3	**The Future of Sustainable Energy** Chairs: Tianyang Zhou Meeting Room: 2B	**Job and Internship Search** Speaker: Kelly Masegian Meeting Room: 1	**Professional Branding** Chair: Bobbi Makani Meeting Room: 4B
10:30 - 10:50 am	Break					
Concurrent Sessions 10:50 - 11:50 am	**Reimagining the Future with Generative AI** Chairs: Magdalini Eirinaki, Yunjian (Jojo) Qiu Meeting Room: 3	**Robotics Beyond Boundaries** Chairs: Behin Elahi, Winncy Du Meeting Room: 2A	**Automation in Biotech** Chairs: Katy Kao, Yun Wang Meeting Room: 4A	**Next-Gen Urban Transportation** Chairs: Yuwei He, Iole Pecora Meeting Room: 2B	**Employer Perspective: Tips on Job and Internship Success** Chair: Kelly Masegian Meeting Room: 1	**Using Generative AI to Enhance Resumes** Chair: Bobbi Makani Meeting Room:4B
11:50 am - 12:30 pm	**Lunch** Ballroom A/B/C					
12:30 - 1:00 pm	**Lunch Keynote** **Three Habits. One Meaningful Career.** *A framework for engineers who want to stand out and make an impact* - *Joumana Zeid, Vice President of Program Leadership, Mirum Pharmaceuticals* Ballroom A/B/C					
1:00 - 1:30 pm	**Roundtable Discussions**					
1:30 - 1:45 pm	Break					
Concurrent Sessions 1:45 - 2:45 pm	**Responsible AI** Chairs: Mahima Agumbe Suresh, Riti Gour Meeting Room: 1	**UX and Wearable Technology** Chairs: Yue Luo, Behin Elahi Meeting Room: 3	**Intelligent Additive Manufacturing** Chair:Yunjian (Jojo) Qiu, Weizhi Lin Meeting Room: 2B	**Sustainable Resilience & Urban Planning** Chairs: Olivia Yip, Sravani Vadlamani Meeting Room: 2A	**Elevator Pitch: Turning Small Talk into Big Opportunities** Chair: Meeting Room: 4A	**Own the Interview: Confidently Navigate Your Career** Chair: Bobbi Makani Meeting Room: 4B
2:45 - 3:05 pm	Break					
Career Panels	**Engineering Career Panels**					
Career Panels 3:05 - 4:35 pm	**Software & Information Technology** Chair: Xiao Su Meeting Room: 1	**Semiconductors & Electronics** Chair: Lili He Meeting Room: 4A	**Mechanical Engineering & Mechatronics** Chair: Smita Dourah Meeting Room: 2B	**Building, Infrastructure & the Environment** Chairs: Olivia Yip, Sravani Vadlamani Meeting Room: 2A	**Biotech & Biomedical Engineering** Chair: Ella Sugerman Meeting Room: 3	**Aeronautics, Aerospace & Aviation** Chairs: Yuwei He, Tianyang Zhou Meeting Room: 4B
4:35 - 4:45 pm	Break					
4:45 - 6:30 pm	Innovation Showcase, Networking Reception, and Prize Drawing Ballroom B and Ballroom Foyer					

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Connect with us on Social Media! #SVWiE2026

In addition to visiting our website, please connect with us on:

Facebook, we welcome your posts as we build anticipation.
Join our Facebook event for the conference.

Feel free to share and post to our X (formerly Twitter) feed.

Instagram, don't forget to post on conference day.

LinkedIn, connect to speakers and attendees!
Join our LinkedIn event for the conference.

Make sure, to use the hashtag: **#SVWiE2026** in all of your posts.

Thank you, and we look forward to building community and excitement with you.
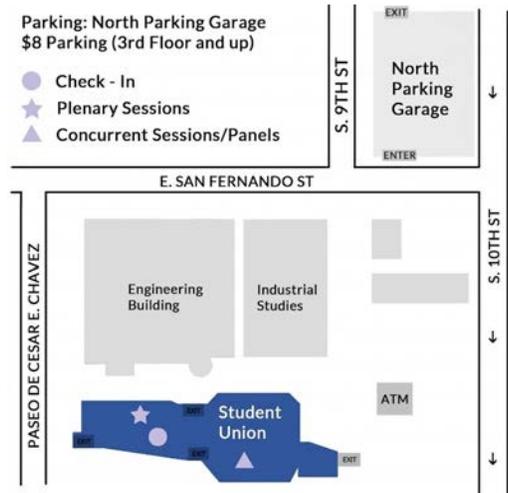
Participant Check-In/Information Table:

Location: ⬤ Student Union Ballroom Foyer, 2nd floor ([Campus Map](#))
Check-in Time: 7:30 AM - 8:15 AM

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Parking: North Parking Garage
$8 Parking (3rd Floor and up)
⬤ Check - In
★ Plenary Sessions
▲ Concurrent Sessions/Panels

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Location: North Parking Garage
[Navigation Link](#): 65 S 10th St, San Jose, CA 95112
Garage maximum height: 6' 8". Contact wie-engineering@sjsu.edu if you're arriving in a larger van or bus.

Parking entrance image.

- Take Hwy 280 to 10th/11th St. exit
- Turn on 11th St (oneway heading north)
- Turn left on San Fernando
- Entrance immediately after 10th St. (right side)
- $8 parking 3rd floor and up

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Recommended parking garage:

North Garage (corner of S. 9th St. & E. San Fernando)
General Parking is located on Levels 3 and above

Please purchase a single day virtual parking permit for $8.00 (effective 3/21/2026) ahead of time or as soon as you park using this link:
https://www.offstreet.io/events/KN5ZACZF

******************************* **INSTRUCTIONS**************************************

OFFSTREET INSTRUCTIONS

1. Click on the guest permit purchase link: https://www.offstreet.io/events/KN5ZACZF
2. Enter license plate number
3. Choose License Plate State
4. Click Next
5. Please read additional information
6. Click Next
7. Enter payment information
8. Click Pay
9. Enter your email address for confirmation receipt (optional, but recommended)

Recommended Dress Code: What to wear - Professional Appearance

The SV WiE Conference is a full-day event and your comfort is very important. At the same time, in addition to this being a professional development event, it will also be an opportunity to network with industry professionals. To ensure you make a good impression with industry professionals and professors, the dress code is business formal/business casual. Examples are shown in the diagrams below.
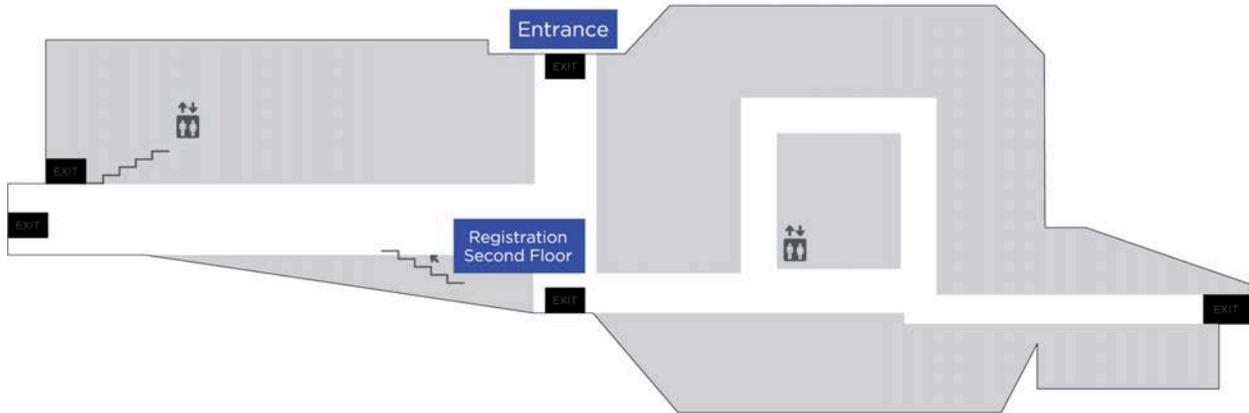

What not to wear: No jeans or athletic wear.

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▲ Elevator

🚌 Park and Ride Shuttle

♿ Wheelchair Accessible Electronic Door

♿ Wheelchair Accessible Electronic Door Restricted Access (University Housing)

▨ Accessible Parking DMV Placard

▨ Accessible Parking University Permit

▨ 20/30 Minutes Parking

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NORTH PARKING GARAGE

Parking Entrance

FIFTH STREET
SIXTH STREET
SEVENTH STREET
EIGHTH STREET
NINTH STREET
TENTH STREET
FOURTH STREET

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Student Union
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CVC
WPG
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SPG
UPD
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JWH
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SEVENTH STREET
EIGHTH STREET

SAN SALVADOR STREET

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Student Union 1st Floor

Entrance

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Registration
Second Floor

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Student Union 2nd Floor (Meeting Rooms)

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Ballroom
A/B

Ballroom
C

Information

Meeting
Room 4A

Meeting
Room 4B

Meeting Room 3

Meeting Room 2

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