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Annual PE License Renewals

The Guam Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors recently announced that **annual registration for licensees will expire on April 30**.

Access more information about the renewal process and registration fees here. Registrants can renew online and also access digital certificates and pocket registration cards through the Professionals Dashboard.

Up to \$109M in Local Spending Freed Up by White House Waiver

Four US territories, including Guam, could have a substantial portion of their budgets made available for local problems and projects, *The Daily Guam Post* reports, with the White House authorizing waivers on matching funds required in order to receive federal grants.

For Guam, that could mean as much as \$109 million no longer being spent on

mandatory cost sharing for grant-funded programs and positions.

The policy shift, laid out in a controller alert from the president's Office of Management and Budget, states federal agencies "may" waive grant matching requirements of more than \$200,000 for Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the US Virgin Islands. An automatic waiver for cost-sharing amounting to under \$200,000 will be granted through an amended 1980 federal law, according to the OMB memo. Read more.

Research Team Sets Out to Find Lost Underwater WWII Relics Off Coast of Guam

National Parks Service team of researchers, made up of underwater archaeologists, marine biologists, ecologists, and engineers, is on a mission to find sunken ships, aircraft, artillery, and other lost relics related to the World War II invasion of Guam in 1944.

The team set out on the first of two missions that aim to "further our understanding of one of the most significant invasions of the WWII Pacific theater, as well as how it may have shaped the natural environment in the area today," the agency said in a statement. Read more.

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the **NSPE Advocacy Center**.

Meet the FEYA Top 10 Finalists

NSPE is pleased to announce the 10 finalists for the 2023 Federal Engineer of the Year Award, honoring engineers employed by a federal agency with at least 50 engineers worldwide. All have made extensive contributions to their organizations and also to the public that PEs ultimately serve.

The winner of this year's award will be announced during a ceremony at the National Press Club in Washington, DC, on February 24, and will be selected from the following finalists.

- Stephen Craven, Ph.D., P.E., electrical engineer, networks/WAN specialist; Tennessee Valley Authority
- Steven C. Dunn, Ph.D., P.E., electrical engineer; General Services
 Administration Public Buildings Service
- Maj. Dustin L. Gooden, P.E., PMP, LSSBB, chief, strategic basing corporate branch; US Department of the Air Force, Headquarters US Air Force

- Chad C. Hogan, P.E., lead engineer; US Department of the Air Force, Air Force Material Command
- Capt. Jeneé A. Jagoda, P.E., PMP, engineering flight commander; US Department of the Air Force, Air Force Global Strike Command
- Capt. Christopher C. Jankowski, P.E., PMP, ENV SP, chief of operations engineering; US Department of the Air Force, Pacific Air Forces
- Andrew R. Lawrence, P.E., salvage engineering response team principal architect; US Department of Homeland Security, US Coast Guard
- **Nicholas Brian Melly, P.E.,** fire protection engineer; US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- **Dr. Brandon L. Toliver, P.E.,** branch chief, basing and beddown; US Department of the Air Force, Air Force Installation & Mission Support
- Brian R. Wybrecht, P.E., civil engineer; US Department of the Army, US Army Europe and Africa



2023 Lineup of 15 Free PDHs Are Available

NSPE membership offers the benefit of access to 15 on-demand webinars. This year's webinars address various topics of interest to professional engineers including ethics, emerging technologies, construction projects, and licensure. Upon successful completion of each webinar quiz (with a passing score of 70% or higher), the quiz taker will receive an attendance certificate with the appropriate credits earned for that session. Access the free webinars.

2022 NSPE Scholarship Winners

The NSPE Education Foundation awarded several scholarships to support talented students pursuing engineering degrees in ABET-accredited programs.

Auxiliary Legacy Scholarship

Leah Griesmer, from Broadview Heights, Ohio, is studying mechanical engineering at the University of Cincinnati.

Katelyn King, from Basking Ridge, New Jersey, is studying biomedical engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Maureen L. and Howard N. Blitman, P.E., Scholarship to Promote Diversity in Engineering

Sebastian Rodriguez, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is attending Carnegie Mellon University to study mechanical engineering.

The George B. Hightower, P.E. Fellowship

Tyler Kleinsasser is a graduate student at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Swadesh and Om P. Popli, P.E., P.L.S. Scholarship

Eli Ordaz is studying civil engineering at Brigham Young University.

Steinman Scholarship

Kathleen Abrams is attending the University of South Carolina, majoring in biomedical engineering.

Michael Chavez is studying electrical engineering, with an emphasis on renewable energy, at the University of Nevada, Reno.

Jake Schneider, of Fort Thomas, Kentucky, is pursuing his degree in civil and environmental engineering at the University of Louisville.

Lindsay Steis, of Ridgway, Pennsylvania, is attending Gannon University, majoring in environmental engineering.

Jonathan Windham, of Sumrall, Mississippi, is pursuing an electrical engineering degree at Mississippi State University.

The 2023 Scholarship Season Opens

The NSPE Education Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2023 scholarship season through an online submission platform. The application deadline is **April 1**.



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