

# UT SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS

THE START OF A NEW YEAR



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## OFFICER INTRODUCTIONS

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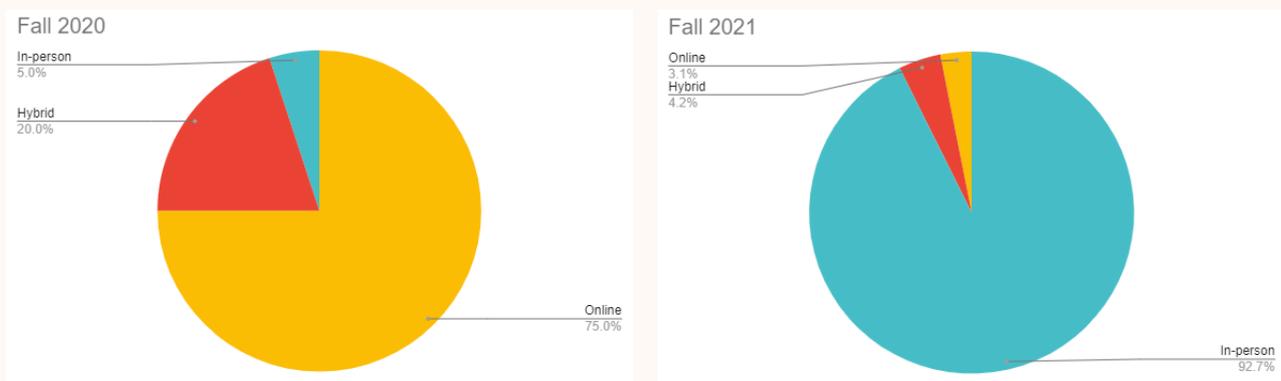
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# BACK IN PERSON!

After many semesters of virtual meetings, things are slowly but surely coming back to normal. This semester, we are glad to begin going back in-person, not only for classes, but different events as well. Under university guidelines, students were required to present a negative Covid-19 PCR test result before returning to campus to ensure everyone's safety. Students are also encouraged to participate in voluntary PCT testing once a week so that we can continue to have classes and events in person.

In fall 2020, more than 75% of the seats in class were online, 20% were hybrid, and only 5% were fully in person. However this semester, about 92.7% of the classes are in person, 4.2% are hybrid, and only 3.1% are fully online.



# INTERNSHIPS

This summer, many of our students had the opportunity to intern and gain experience at various companies across the United States. These are some of the companies that our chapter members interned at:

- Armeta Analytics
- BHP
- Brigham Minerals
- ConocoPhillips
- EOG
- Hilcorp
- Matador Resources
- NextEra Energy
- Ovintiv
- Vernon E. Faulconer, Inc.



Pictured: Maggie Gehring  
Facilities Engineering Intern at  
ConocoPhillips

# GETTING INVOLVED

At the beginning of every fall semester, we hold committee and freshman representative elections. Joining a committee is a great way to get involved with SPE and for experience to add on your resume! Information about applying for committees have been sent out, so make sure to fill out the respective committee forms if you are interested.

Additionally, freshmen have the opportunity to run for a freshman representative position in which their main goal is to increase interaction with the freshmen class to get them involved with SPE. Freshman representative elections will be held at our third general meeting on September 29th. Make sure to check your emails for more information about applying for this position. Remember, you must be a freshman to apply.



Pictured: Michael Brady, overlooks the Logistic Committee

**UT SPE**  
**How to become a member**  
2021-2022

**Be a current student:**  
All members must be new or returning students to the University of Texas at Austin.

**Pay your dues and join SPE International:**

1. Venmo @Texas-SPE or pay in person at a meeting \$20.00 yearly due that covers meetings and the yearly shirt
2. Fill out the 2021-22 student application for SPE International (fee is covered by Chevron)

**Fill out our membership form:**

1. Fill out our official google form
2. All sign-ups must use a valid UT email address

## 2021-2022 SPE MEMBERSHIP

If you are a student at UT Austin and are interested in getting all the benefits that come with being a member of SPE, don't forget to register as a SPE member. Benefits of being a registered SPE member include getting food at all meetings, joining socials, a membership t-shirt, and many more! Students must be registered with SPE International as well. More membership registration information can be found in the about section of our website, [speut.org](http://speut.org).

# GENERAL MEETINGS AND SOCIALS...IN PERSON!

Last year, we held meetings through Zoom, with the exception of one socially-distanced social at a park near campus. This semester, we are thankful to be able to hold all of our meetings in-person, although whether or not the company representatives would like to come in-person is up to their discretion.

On September 1st, we held our first general meeting with bpx energy in which more than 75 students attended and were able to listen to bpx representatives talk about reinventing bpx while enjoying Torchy's Tacos. Here are some of the upcoming general meetings that are planned for the fall semester:

- GM #3: Hilcorp, September 29th 6-7 PM
- GM #4: FESCO, October 13th, 6-7 PM
- GM #5: EOG, October 27th, 6-7 PM
- GM #6: Brigham Minerals, November 10th, 6-7 PM



Picture from GM#1 with bpx energy

On September 15, we had our second general meeting of the year with Arena Energy. Arena Energy decided to call in from Zoom while the students sat in a classroom in person and enjoyed Pluckers while learning about Arena Energy and their operations in the Gulf of Mexico.



Picture from GM#2 with Arena Energy

# EXPO

EXPO is the engineering career fair held by the Engineering Career Assistance Center (ECAC). This year, EXPO was still held virtually from September 8-9, but it was still a success with over 200 companies attending. EXPO is a great platform for students to network with industry professionals and learn more about the companies they are interested in. Many students receive offers for internships and full-time positions through EXPO by taking the time to talk to different employers and showing off what great students they are.

Good luck to all the students that attended EXPO!

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## ANNUAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

From 9/21-9/23, ATCE is being held in Dubai, UAE, and we are sending 16 students to attend. At ATCE, students will have the chance to network with over 6,000 professionals, learn from over 400 technical presentations, attend over 80 conference sessions, and meet with over 80 exhibitors. Two of our graduate students will be giving a technical presentation at ATCE, making this trip to Dubai a much more memorable experience for the students attending. Throughout the three day conference, students will be able to learn and discuss with other students and industry professionals on how to drive the energy industry forward.



Pictured: Hyeok Kong, Nick Gossett, and Alec Slight at 2019 ATCE in Calgary

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