

14th Annual Conference

October 17–20, 2024 Portland, OR



Exhibitor & Sponsorship Prospectus

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About oSTEM



Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (oSTEM), Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit professional association for LGBTQ+ people in the STEM community. With over 150 collegiate chapters and professional chapters in cities across the United States and abroad, oSTEM is the largest chapter–based organization focused on LGBTQ+ people in STEM.

Mission



oSTEM empowers LGBTQ+ people in STEM to succeed personally, academically, and professionally by cultivating environments and communities that nurture innovation, leadership, and advocacy.

Vision

We envision a world where LGBTQ+ people in the STEM community are empowered to achieve success in a safe and supportive space that celebrates their diversity and unique contributions.

Commitment to Diversity & Inclusion

oSTEM strives to provide a safe space for all people to express themselves. To that end, we have and hold ourselves to a high-level and broad diversity policy, built around respect for individuals regardless of where they are on life's journey. oSTEM prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, race, color, ethnicity, citizenship, cultural background, socioeconomic status, age, disability, religion, or veteran status. Furthermore, oSTEM prohibits any harassment that detracts from the learning experience or threatens an individual in any form.

Visit www.oSTEM.org to learn more.



Active oSTEM Chapters

150 COLLEGIATE AND PROFESSIONAL CHAPTERS

All oSTEM Members - oSTEM Global Alliance at Worcester Polytechnic

GoSTEM @ UCSD GoSTEM @ WashU

GoSTEM at Northwestern

GoSTEM at University of Michigan

Grad Pride at Georgia Tech

McMaster Engiqueers

OPEN @ Olin

oSTEM @ Mizzou

oSTEM @ Morris

oSTEM @ Purdue

oSTEM @ SIUe

oSTEM @ Ursinus College

oSTEM @ UWaterloo

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Agnes Scott

Alabama

Amherst College

Arizona State University

Auburn

Binghamton University

Boston College

Boston University

Bowdoin

Brown University

Cal Poly Pomona

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

Carnegie Mellon University

Case Western Reserve University

Central Michigan University

Clemson University

Colorado School of Mines

Colorado State University

Cooper

CSUSM

Drexel University

Duke University

East Carolina University

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

ERAU - Prescott

Florida International University

George Washington University

Georgia State University

Howard University

Hunter College

Indiana University, Bloomington

Iowa State University

IUPUI

Johns Hopkins University

Kansas State University

Kenyon College

Lehigh University

Louisiana Tech University

Marquette

Miami University

oSTEM Student Chapter at Dartmouth outGRADS at University of Rochester Pride Alliance at Georgia Tech Pride in STEMM at The University of

PrideSTEM at Texas Tech University

PRISM at Anschutz Medical Campus PRISM at Rockefeller University

Professionals at East Carolina

University

Professionals in Boston

Professionals in the DMV

qSTEM at Pace University

aSTEM Cornell

QSTEM Lake Nona High

oSTEM at...

Montana State University

Mount Sinai

Murray State

New York University

North Carolina State University

North Dakota State University

North Texas

Northern Arizona University

Northwestern

Ohio State University

Oklahoma State University

Oregon State

Oregon Tech, Portland-Metro

Penn State

Rice University

Rowan University

San Diego State University

Stanford University

Stevens Institute of Technology

Stony Brook University

Swarthmore

Texas A&M

Texas State University

The University of Central Florida

The University of Texas, Austin

Truman State University

Tufts University

UAB

UC Davis

UC Santa Cruz

UMass Amherst

University of Arizona

University of Arkansas University of Birmingham

University of Buffalo

University of California, Berkeley

University of California, San Diego

University of Colorado - Colorado

University of California, Santa Barbara

University of Chicago

University of Cincinnati

OuASAR at New Mexico Tech Queer and Formal Reasoning at Oberlin Queer and Trans in STEM at UCLA QUEST at James Madison

University QuEST at University of Southern California

Spectrum at New Jersey Institute of

Technology

STEMgiQueers at University of

Kentucky

TMU EngOut

UK oSTEM Professionals and

Postgraduates

Unity at Rose-Hulman Institute of **Technology**

oSTEM at...

University of Colorado, Boulder

University of Connecticut

University of Delaware

University of Florida

University of Georgia University of Hartford

University of Houston

University of Illinois at Chicago

University of Illinois, Urbana-

Champaign

University of Kansas

University of Maryland, College Park

University of Massachusetts

Dartmouth

University of Miami

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

University of Minnesota

University of Nebraska, Lincoln

University of New Mexico

University of North Carolina

University of Oklahoma University of Oregon

University of Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh

University of Rochester University of South Carolina

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

University of Utah

University of Washington

UT Dallas UT Southwestern

Utah State

Vanderbilt Vermont

Virginia

Virginia Commonwealth University

Virginia Tech

WashU

Wentworth

West Virginia University

Wichita State University Yale University (Grad)

Thank You to Our Previous Partners







































































































































































































Why oSTEM?

"My experience at oSTEM was incredible. Being in a place of other queer scientists and professionals felt like nothing else I've experienced before."

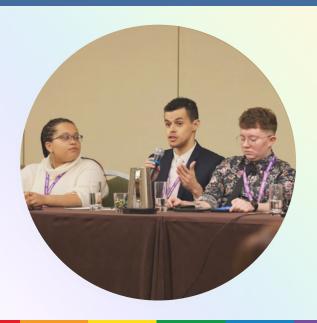
"I loved it and it really gave me a space to be open and a lot of insight to how I can better support other queer people."



"As an ERG lead at my company I gained a lot of new knowledge and ideas from hearing about others' experiences and I'm excited to go back to work and try to further our DEI with these ideas."

"This was my first time at an oSTEM conference and it was so empowering and gave me so many ideas to bring back to my company."

"Ansys has partnered with oSTEM going on three years now, and we feel like we are just getting started! They have been incredible to work with. oSTEM continues to do amazing work for LGBTQ+ people and communities in STEM and we look forward to supporting their mission for many more years to come."





Partnership Standards

Minimum requirement to be a sponsor or exhibitor

- Publicly available nondiscrimination policy including sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression.
- Has hosted at least 1 LGBTQ+ focused competency training including pronoun usage for recruiters within the last 3 years.

Additionally preferred:

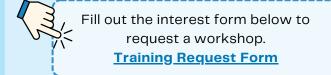
• Supports an LGBTQ+ inclusive Employee Resource Group or Affinity Group.



We want our members to feel confident that they're engaging with progress: engaging with prospective employers who are committed to LGBTQ-inclusive policies and practices.



Don't meet these requirements? Inclusion is a journey we all take together! Ask us how oSTEM can help you get there!



Trainings are available for OAC members free of charge (up to 4 hours annually) and available to non-OAC members at a charge of \$1,000 per hour.

Please allow at least 3-week notice for scheduling.



The Annual Conference

is built on unforgettable moments where LGBTQ+ students and professionals in STEM fields from across the country and around the globe engage their whole self, surrounded by a vibrant community of peers.

Attending oSTEM's conference is beneficial for:

- Companies, government agencies, community organizations, and academic institutions aiming to attract and connect with LGBTQ+ talent.
- Providing professional development for current employees
- Supporting LGBTQ+ people in shaping global change through STEM careers

If you want a space where you can be your authentic LGBTQ+ self and your authentic STEM self, this is the conference for you!



Oregon Convention Center

777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. Portland, OR 97232

> October 17 –20, 2024 (Thursday– Sunday)

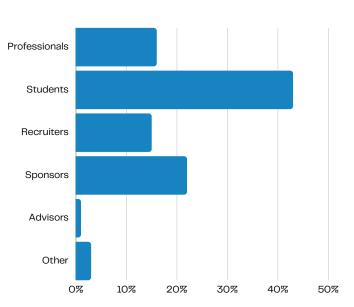
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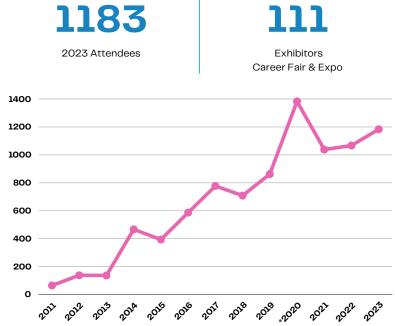
This event is designed for attendees to share their professional and personal experiences and learn from one another in an authentic and vulnerable way. Programs and content range from introspective to technical. The Career Fair & Grad School Expo allows attendees to connect and network with professionals, academics, and colleagues from STEM industries and universities.



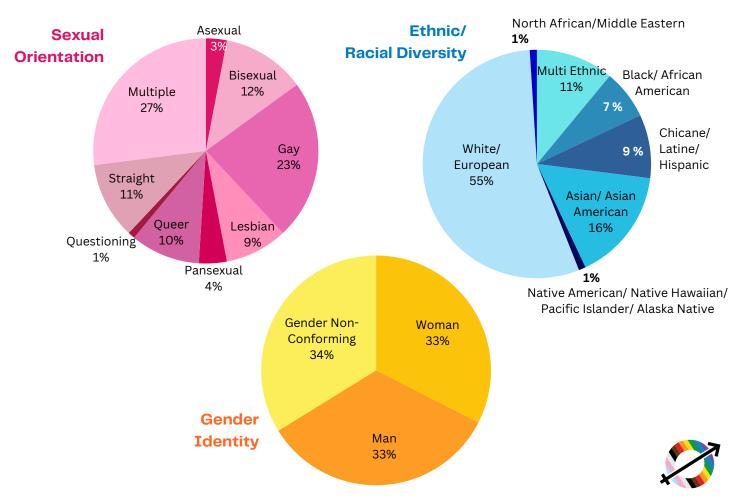
Demographics

oSTEM 2023 Attendee Data

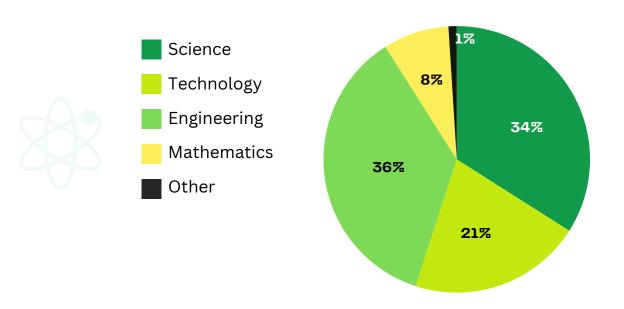




*2020 Annual Conference was virtual and co-hosted with NOGLSTP's Out to Innovate.



Majors & STEM Discipline



Majors in Attendance

Aerospace Engineering	4%
Biochemistry	3%
Biology	10%
Biomedical Engineering	4%
Chemical Engineering	6%
Chemistry	5%
Civil / Environmental Engineering	4%
Computer and Information Science and Engineering	17%
Electrical / Computer Engineering	8%
Geosciences	1%
Health and Life Sciences	3%
Industrial / Systems Engineering	3%
Materials	2%
Math / Statistics / Finance	5%
Mechanical Engineering	8%
Nuclear / Radiological Engineering	0.5%
Physics and Astronomy	7%
Psychology	2%
Social Sciences	1%





Other



Majors based on 4 years of conference data.

6%

%

Program Highlights

Professional Development

Expo Success Clinic

Poster Session

Keynote Speakers

Award Ceremonies

Allyship in Motion Training

Gender Affirming Clothing Swap

Career Fair & Grad School Expo











Request for Programs

The Request for Programs (RFP) is the official call for program proposals for the 14th Annual Conference.

REVIEW THE RFP

The strongest proposals will highlight intersectionality between STEM and queer identities. Selection is highly competitive and reading the RFP in its entirety will help you craft your best application.

THREE TRACKS

Submit your proposal to one of three conference tracks:

- Collegiate Programs
- Industry Programs
- Technical Spotlights



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TIMELINE

The deadline for applications is Friday, May 31, 2024.

Decisions can be expected by the end of June 2024.

SUBMIT YOUR APP

Be sure to read the RFP in its entirety. Reach out to conference-programming@ostem.org with questions and submit your app at conference.ostem.org.



Benefits for Presenters

- 50% registration discount for selected presenters.
- Add "Selected Talk for National Conference" to resume or CV
- Gain additional public speaking experience
- Increase visibility and networking opportunities with LGBTQ+ professionals and students in STEM
- Present on lived experiences and identities in addition to academic and professional development topics
- Receive presenter acknowledgment in conference program book and on badge

*Presenter discount cannot be applied to Registrations included in Exhibitor packages.

To learn more visit:

conference.ostem.org/2024/rfp



Career Fair & Grad School Expo



Connect with passionate candidates in the LGBTQ+ community and position your organization as a leader in fostering diverse and thriving workplaces at oSTEM's 2-day expo.

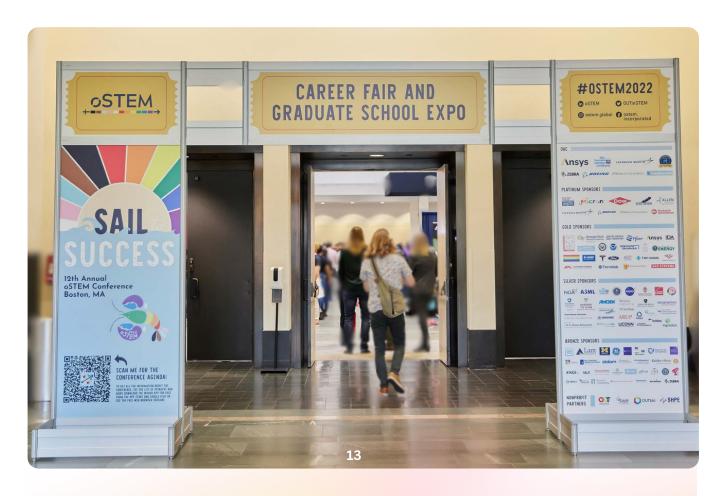


Friday, October 18, 2024 4 hours



Saturday, October 19, 2024 4 hours







Exhibitor Levels

Corporate, Government and Non-Profit Employers

	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Corporate	\$15,750	\$12,000	\$7,000	\$4,000
Government and Nonprofit Employers	\$8,000	\$5,500	\$3,500	\$2,250
Exhibit Space	10'x 20'	10'x 20'	10'x 10'	10'x 10'
Full Conference Registrations	5	3	2	1
Expo Only Registrations (2-day)	5	4	2	
Allyship in Motion Training	2			
Guaranteed Workshop Slot* (Must be submitted by 7/30)	✓			
Ad in Program Book (Must be submitted by 8/30)	Half-page	Quarter-page		
Interview Booth (8' x 10')	1	1		
Attendee Contact Information	✓	✓		
Access to oSTEM Resume Bank	90-days	90-days		
Job Posting on oSTEM Career Center (60-day)	4	3	2	
20% Discount on oSTEM Career Center	✓	✓	✓	
Recognition in conference materials	✓	✓	✓	
Conference App Listing & Booth Profile	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition in Exhibitor Logo Board	✓	✓	✓	✓

^{*}Guaranteed workshop space will include snack and refreshment bar for attendees.

Academic and Community Partners

	Academic & Community Partners	
	\$1,500	
Exhibit Space	10' x 10'	
Full Conference Registrations	1	
Expo Only Registrations (2-day)	1	
Ad in Program Book (Must be submitted by 8/30)	Quarter-page	
Recognition in Conference Materials	✓	
20% Discount on oSTEM Career Center	✓	
Recognition in Exhibitor Logo Board	✓	
Conference App Listing & Booth Profile	✓	

Contact Linda Aragon for small corporate and local government pricing options and eligibility, email: sponsorship@ostem.org.

Each 10' x 10' Exhibit space includes pipe and drape, one 6' skirted table, two chairs, one wastebasket, and an identification sign. Wired internet and power are not included.

Government level is open to the following organizations:

- State or Federal Government Agencies
- National Labs
- Federally funded Research and development Centers

A valid .gov email address is required for government pricing. Community Partner rate is valid for 501(c)(3) organizations with less than \$50 million in annual revenue. Federal 501(c)(3) tax-exemption documentation is required for nonprofit sponsorship. In addition, oSTEM reserves the right to determine which category a company/organization qualifies for.

Add-Ons



Need More Space?

Additional Expo Booth \$1,000

Want more space to attract and talk to conference attendees at the expo? Consider adding on 10'x10' booths to make a bigger impact.

Interview Booth(s)

\$800 per booth

\$6,500 for **10** booth bundle

Want to get bright minds into your pipeline right away? Get access to semi-private spaces to conduct interviews on Friday and Saturday. Stay ahead of the game by leaving with candidates interviewed! Each booth is 8'x10' and includes 3 chairs, 1 table and ID sign. Electricity and carpet not included.



Registrations

Full Conference Registration

\$525 Professional Non-Member

\$425 Professional Member

Includes access to all open networking events, Career & Graduate School Expo, programs, workshops, and plenaries.

Expo Only Registration (2 day) \$125

Expo Only Badge provides access to the Career & Graduate School Expo and interview booths.

Allyship in Motion Training \$300/person or \$1,000 group of 4

Allyship in Motion by oSTEM moves beyond the messages of "hiring diversity" to give participants the tools necessary to recruit, retain, and support underserved LGBTQ+ candidates on a day-to-day basis. This is a 3-hour intersectional training addressing not just LGBTQ+ issues, but all historically marginalized identities. Participants will receive a badge flag and certificate upon completion. Space is limited.



Sponsorship Opportunities



Student Travel Funding

Support a Chapter \$5,000

Do you want to support a chapter? With this Travel Scholarship creation, you will be able to support a chapter of your choosing and oSTEM will facilitate the connection.

Support an oSTEM Member \$1,500

Create a Travel Scholarship for an oSTEM Member. Your team will get to select the scholarship awardees and and oSTEM will facilitate the connection.



Accessibility Partner \$2,500 (4 available)

oSTEM is committed to bridging the accessibility gap and removing barriers so all members of our community can succeed. Your support helps make the conference a welcoming and accessible place, ensuring that everyone can reach their full potential. Your organization will be recognized as an accessibility partner at each plenary session, on the conference app, and in the program book.







Crisis Resources \$2,500 (4 available)

People in STEM with multiply-marginalized identities face increased likelihood of mental health struggles due to microaggressions, discrimination, and compounded stress. oSTEM partners with THRIVE Lifeline to provide all crisis support and mental health services during the event. THRIVE Lifeline is a 501(c)(3) text-based crisis hotline run by qualified interventionists who identify as marginalized people in STEM. Help ensure our community has access to these resources when needed. You'll be verbally and visually recognized at each plenary session, with onsite signage, on the conference app, and in the program book.

Sponsorships are tax-deductible and constitute a charitable contribution.
Receipt will be provided upon request.

Branding & Visibility



Charging Station \$2,500

Power up conference attendees' devices throughout the conference. Your branding will appear on the charging station for the conference duration.

Co-branded Conference Lanyard \$5,500

Get your organization logo on the lanyard of every conference attendee! Be seen in every photo and social media post.

Poster Session & Awards Presenter \$3.000

Your organization will be recognized in the poster area all day. You will also present the poster awards to the chosen winners and provide the funding for awards or the physical awards.

Item in Conference Swag Bag \$500 per item

Ensure all attendees take home something from you in their swag bag. Provide a stress ball, flyer, or other branded item from your organization.

Conference Push Notification \$500

Conference attendees will receive a timed push notification to promote your organization at the conference, whether it's a social gathering, a site visit, or inviting attendees to stop by your career fair booth!

Conference App Rotating Banner Ad \$500

Your ad will be featured on the event app as a rotating banner for the duration of the conference, for all attendees to see.

Ad Space in Program Book \$500 per 1/4 page

Use this space to encourage attendees to visit your booth or to share information about your recent LGBTQ+ accomplishments.



Contact us to discuss options!

- Elevator Wraps
- Window Clings
- Interior Banners



Other Opportunities



Company/ Organization Site TourMust provide round-trip transportation and lunch

Bring conference attendees on a tour of your site on Thursday or Friday morning. All we ask is for coverage of lunch and transportation. Tours will be selected based on the quality of submitted proposals.

Evening Networking Space \$2,500 + cost of refreshments Friday evening (3 available)

Friday evening (3 available)
Saturday evening (3 available)

This is a unique opportunity to connect with job seekers outside the Expo Hall in a relaxed social environment. Attract candidates by offering refreshments and informal networking in a fun environment on Friday <u>or</u> Saturday evening. Each space can accommodate approximately 100 attendees in reception. This add-on requires exhibition at the Career Fair and Grad School Expo.

- Partners are responsible for cost of food, beverage, and giveaways.
- Partner recognition in the program book, mobile app, and onsite signage.

Site Office

\$1,000 Thursday- Saturday (2 Available)

This flexible space located across from the Expo Hall can be used as a command center or offer room. These rooms range from 165-250 square feet and will be available for use Thursday through Saturday from 8 AM to 7 PM. This add-on requires exhibition at the Career Fair and Grad School Expo.

Afternoon Donuts & Coffee Break \$8,000 Friday or Saturday (2 Available)

Sponsor a refreshment break for all attendees on Friday or Saturday afternoon. Maximize your exposure while providing a relaxing environment where attendees can chat over an afternoon pick-me-up in the plenary space. All attendees will receive a branded push notification before the break. At your expense, you may provide brochures, giveaway items, or additional food and beverage.

- Partners receive a 3-minute speaking opportunity during the coffee break.
- Partner recognition in the program book, mobile app, and onsite signage.
- Partners are responsible for any additional food, beverage, and giveaways.





Partner Awards



oSTEM's awards program recognizes the achievements of our members, partners, and chapters during the oSTEM Annual Conference.

Eligibility:

- Must be a current oSTEM partner
- Must be attending the oSTEM 14th Annual Conference in Portland, OR.

Strategic Alliance Award
Organization

LGBTQ+ Network
of the Year
Group

Partner Excellence Award
Individual

Global STEM
Service Award
Individual

Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged.

Nominations close June 30th

Click the above thumbnails to submit your nominations.



Visit our <u>Awards page</u> to view past winners and award descriptions.



2023 Strategic Alliance Award - Chevron



Become an OAC Member



The Organizational Advisory Council (OAC) is a premier partnership comprised of companies, government agencies, educational institutions, and non-profits committed to LGBTO+ inclusion and success.

Year-Round Benefits:

- **Branding** Logo on oSTEM website, newsletters, and more.
- Support & Education Access to oSTEMdeveloped trainings on best practices, and strategies for LGBTQ+ inclusion and allyship. Includes four (4) hours of consultancy from oSTEM's DEI & LGBTQ+ experts.
- Connection Facilitated connections with both collegiate and professional chapters, and OAC peers.
- Exclusive invitation to participate in oSTEM's signature Professional Development Summit.

Annual Conference Benefits:

- 10% off conference exhibition/sponsorship package
- Priority booth placement
- Complimentary registration for 3 OAC Representatives
- 2 tickets to the Allyship in Motion Training
- Full Page Ad in program book
- Express check-in counter
- Opportunity to participate and/or co-host virtual pre-conference membership events

Join oSTEM's OAC today to show your year-round support for the LGBTQ+ STEM community!

Please note that this is separate from the Annual Conference Sponsorship.

View the OAC Nembership Flyer for a full list of benefits and pricing information.



Thank you to our current OAC members for their support and partnership!

























Secure Your Spot





Complete our Exhibitor/Sponsor commitment form to to secure your benefits!

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Please direct all questions to Linda Aragon, email: sponsorship@ostem.org.

Payment Terms and Cancellation Policy

Accepted forms of payment are check, wire transfer, ACH deposit/EFT, or credit card (will incur 3% fee).

Upon receipt of the signed commitment form, an invoice will be sent to the billing contact with a link to a secure online payment portal. A signed commitment form is a guarantee to pay and all invoices sent to the billing contact will require payment. All outstanding invoices must be paid by 8/15/2024 to guarantee inclusion in exhibitor and sponsorship listings. If your organization has any outstanding invoices with oSTEM by 8/15/2024, you may not be permitted to register.

All financial commitments for the 2024 oSTEM Annual Conference are final. Complete payment is required to receive the value outline. No refunds will be provided for any reason. If a request for a change of exhibitor level or sponsorship is made prior to 8/14/2024, committed funds may be allocated to other 2024 oSTEM Annual Conference opportunities. If a request for cancellation of exhibitor level or sponsorship is made prior to 8/14/2024, 50% of committed funds may be allocated to 2024 oSTEM Annual Conference opportunities and the remaining 50% will be applied to 2025 oSTEM Annual Conference. All commitment forms received after 8/15/2024 will be considered final and payment will be due regardless of exhibitor/sponsor's decision to participate.

*EXPO ONLY Registration includes access to the Career & Graduate School Expo and interview booths on October 18 and October 19.
**FULL CONFERENCE Registration includes access to all open networking events, Career & Graduate School Expo, programs, workshops and select meals on October 17-20.

Official Service Contractor

- oSTEM has selected Shepherd Logistics to serve as the Official Service Contractor.
- To assist you in planning, the oSTEM Exhibitor Kit will be made available online by June 2024. It is imperative that the oSTEM Exhibitor Kit be reviewed and understood in its entirety.
- Please note that electricity, wire internet and supplementary Wi-Fi are not included in your Exhibit booth-level participation. Carpet is not included and is *optional* at the exhibitor's expense.

Code of Conduct

oSTEM appreciates your support of its Exhibitor/Sponsor Code of Conduct. Your continued cooperation helps us uphold the integrity of the conference, our exhibitors, sponsors, and attendees. We require that all Exhibitors and Sponsors agree to abide by the following Code of Conduct Rules & Guidelines:

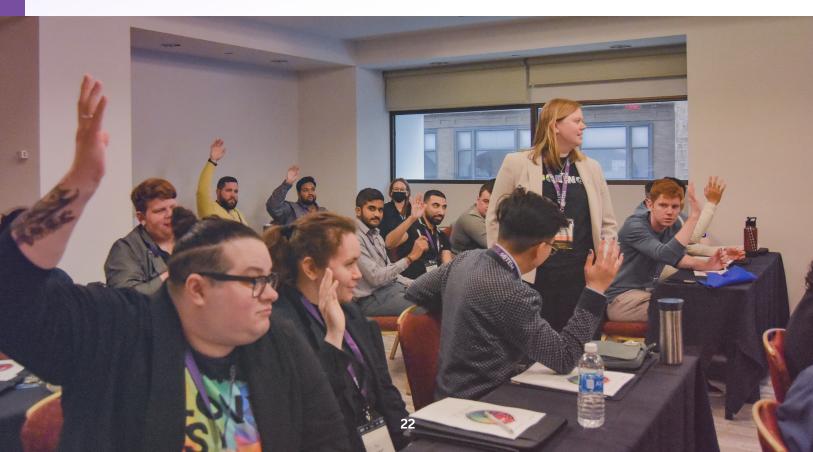
https://ostem.org/page/code-of-conduct



Other Ways You Can Help

- **Create a Named Scholarship**
- Contribute to the Grad App Program
- **Volunteer** with oSTEM
- **Become a Member**
- **Donate** Today





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