

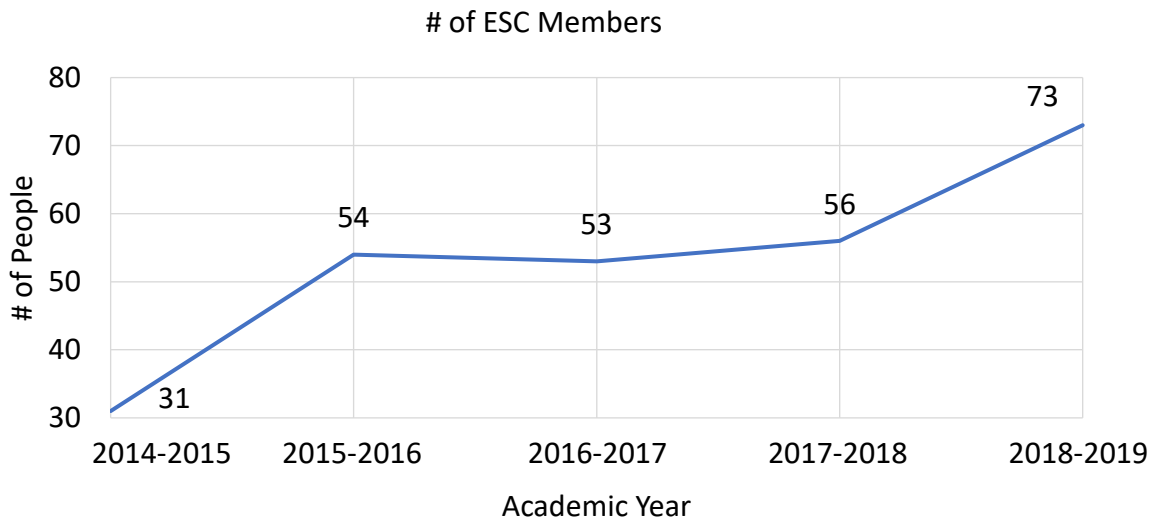
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Dear ESC, SCC, and AIChE Staff,

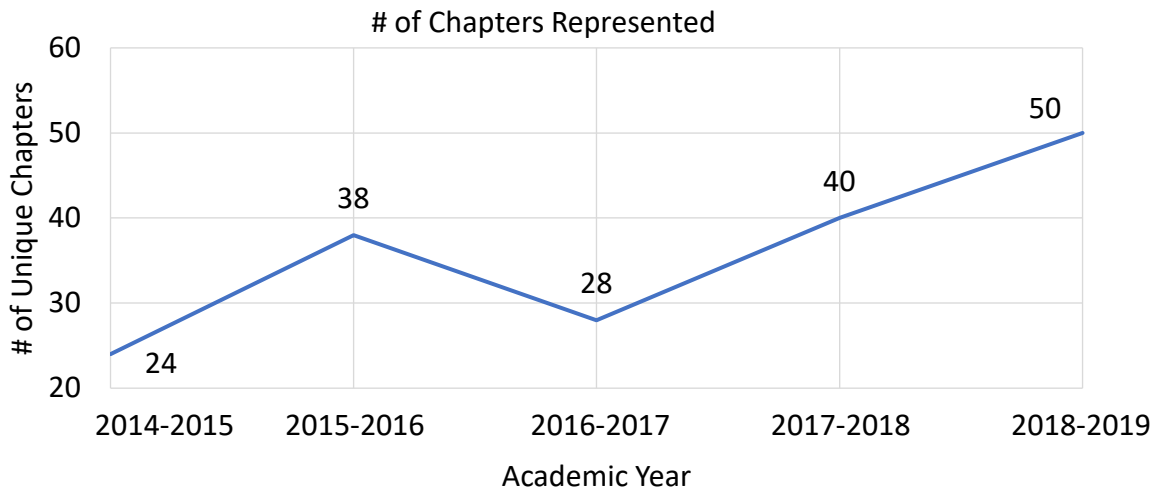
Now that 2018 has come to an end, I want to thank the ESC for a great year. 2018 was full of milestones for the ESC, including strides in growth and diversification, the formation of three new subcommittees, and increased programming opportunities for Student Chapters. I write now to provide a few highlights of the past year and to preview some of the exciting plans we have in store for 2019.

Growth and Diversification

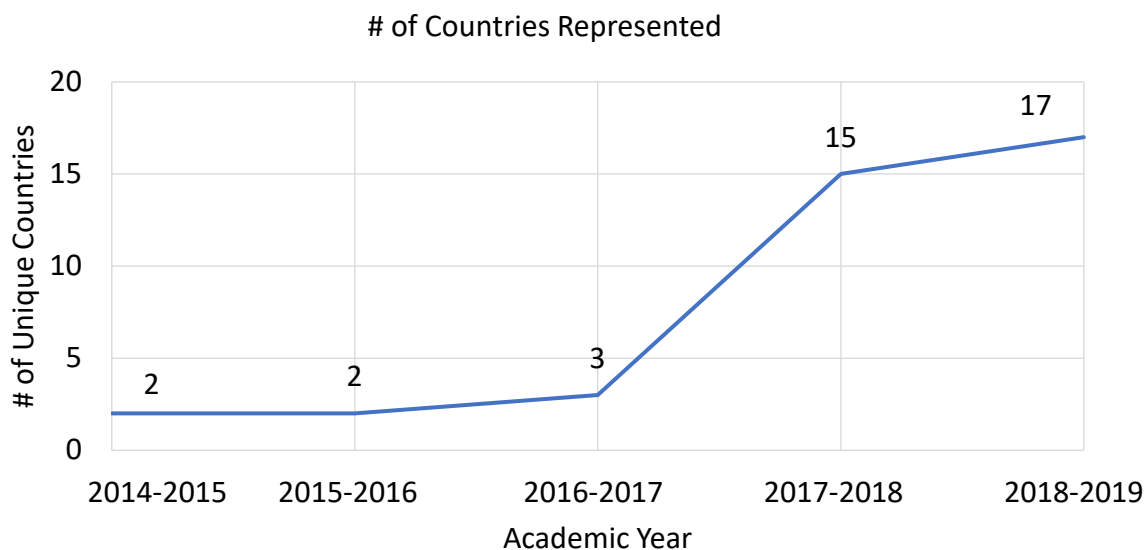
As liaisons to the Institute, the ESC seeks to accurately reflect the AIChE student membership demographics. At this point in the 2018-2019 academic year, the ESC has grown to 73 members strong. ESC membership has increased over the past few academic years in order to accommodate the growing number of AIChE Student Chapters internationally.



Additionally, the number of Student Chapters represented on the ESC grew to 50 unique Chapters. With a current total of 312 Student Chapters, approximately one in every six Student Chapters is represented on the ESC.



Lastly, the ESC has members from 17 countries. Given that there are currently Student Chapters in 43 countries, diversifying the ESC's nationalities will be an important focus during the next recruitment cycle.



Formation of Three Subcommittees

In the past few months, the ESC has formed three new subcommittees: the Publications Subcommittee, Sister Chapter Subcommittee, and Conference Experience Subcommittee. These new subcommittees are universal and serve all Student Chapters, regardless of regional affiliation.

The Publications Subcommittee seeks to connect Student Chapters and bring them closer together by fostering a sense of community through its publications. In 2018 alone, the ESC published over 35 ChEnected blog posts, featuring the outstanding activities of more than 50 different Student Chapters. The subcommittee's most notable publications include the monthly ESC newsletter and ESC "Show-and-Tell" Video Challenge, which are both entering their second year of publication.

The Sister Chapter Subcommittee also seeks to bring Student Chapters closer together, but in the form of more intimate partnerships between two Student Chapters located in different countries. The subcommittee helps promote the Sister Chapter program and manage its matchmaking. Since the ESC's involvement, 32 Student Chapters have found a Sister Chapter with the ESC's assistance.

In 2019, the Conference Experience Subcommittee will continue to recruit members with its goal to improve attendees' Annual Student Conference and Student Regional Conference experiences by facilitating communication between AIChE student conference host schools globally, generating interest among Chapters in holding a Student Regional Conference and aiding in the host school selection process, and campaigning to increase participation in AIChE student conferences and their affiliated competitions and events.

Increased Programming Opportunities

At the 2018 Annual Student Conference, the ESC launched its new K-12 Outreach Program, which provides a way for Student Chapters to share their experience in K-12 outreach through teaching modules that contain information about science demonstrations and experiments that they've found to be most successful. By making such resources available, the ESC hopes to engage more Student Chapters in K-12 outreach.

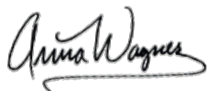
Additionally, the ESC has laid the groundwork for the upcoming AIChE Student Ambassador program. Student Ambassadors help Student Chapter members get the most out of their AIChE student membership by equipping ambassadors with the knowledge and resources to do more for themselves, their peers, and their Student Chapter. We hope to unveil the AIChE Student Ambassador program at the 2019 Student Regional Conferences.

Our many accomplishments would not be possible without the support from Sarah Ewing and Emily Miksiewicz. I also want to thank the Student Chapters Committee (SCC) for their continued support of the ESC.

Thank you all for a great year. I'm excited to see what we accomplish together in 2019.

Happy new year!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna Wagner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Anna Wagner
Executive Student Committee Past Chair