



4 Billion Years Beneath Our Feet

August 29-September 1, 2026

AIPG Student and Early Career Professional (ECP) Professional Development Workshop

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Agenda

9:30 AM - 9:45 AM

Welcome
Skylar Vertes

9:45 AM - 10:15 AM

Ring of Reciprocity
Barb Bickford

10:20 AM - 11:00 AM

Professional Licensure and Certification of Geologists
Dawn Garcia

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Career Panel-Perspectives Across Multiple Geology Career Paths
Five Geologists, Five Career Paths

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Navigating the Opportunity Landscape (Interviews and Active Job Listings)
Doug Bartlett

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Rock Solid Strategies for Non-Awkward Networking
Barb Bickford

3:15 PM – 3:30 PM

Break

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Ask Us Anything: Jobs and Internships (Bring Questions)
Becca May and Skylar Vertes

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Break

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Speed Networking - Student/ECP Networking Event with Professionals
(appetizers/cash bar)

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Annual AIPG Geo-Trivia Night

Saturday, August 29th, 2026

Holiday Inn & Suites Duluth-Downtown

9:00 AM – 9:00 PM (with optional networking events)

Contact: Skylar Vertes at skylar.verts@stantec.com

Recommended Attire: Business Casual or Field Professional

REGISTER HERE:

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