

FROM PCI HEADQUARTERS

Ninth edition of *PCI Design Handbook* available for presale in bookstore

PCI has begun presale for the ninth edition of the *PCI Design Handbook: Precast and Prestressed Concrete*. The updated guide features straightforward design procedures, new and revised numerical examples, and enhanced design aids to support both architectural and structural precast and precast, prestressed concrete projects. Developed for technical professionals, the handbook delivers comprehensive, code-compliant solutions for efficient concrete product design. The ninth edition will be available in November 2025 and the PCI bookstore is currently taking orders.



PCI Online Academy seeks precast concrete delivery process RFP

The PCI Education Activities Council and PCI Online Education Committee are seeking proposals for the next PCI Online Academy series, which will focus on the precast concrete delivery process. Since its launch in 2015, the PCI Online Academy has provided continuing education for engineering professionals and students, offering weekly 90-minute modules on topics relevant to the precast, prestressed concrete industry.

This upcoming series is designed for novice specifiers, general contractors, and developers, and provides a comprehensive overview of the precasting process, from sales and preconstruction planning to shop drawings, material procurement, production, delivery, installation, and quality control. The curriculum aims to equip participants with practical knowledge for every stage of precast concrete projects.

PCI invites proposals from professors and industry experts with significant experience in precast concrete design and

teaching. Proposals should include a series description, session outlines, and technical content tailored to engineers, architects, and students. Sessions must feature interactive elements, assessments, and PCI-branded materials.

Submissions are due by January 15, 2026, and should be sent to Bekki Missaggia, manager of continuing education, at bmissaggia@pci.org. Selection will be based on peer review, feasibility, and impact assessment methods. The project time line is capped at 12 months, with periodic progress reports and a final review by PCI committees. PCI will provide primary funding, and all developed materials will remain PCI property.

For more details, visit https://www.pci.org/PCI/Education/Request_For_Proposal.aspx?

Nine-session lateral load design series to run November through January

The PCI Online Academy will offer a comprehensive live virtual course series on lateral load design that meets on Wednesdays from November 5, 2025, through January 14, 2026. This technical program will focus on wind and seismic load considerations for designing lateral-force-resisting systems and diaphragms in precast concrete structures.

Participants will review force determination and detailing requirements as outlined by the American Society of Civil Engineers' *Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures* (ASCE/SEI 7-16) and *Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete (ACI 318-19)* and *Commentary (ACI 318R-19)*. The impacts of these requirements will be examined for intermediate precast concrete walls and special precast concrete walls in an example structure throughout the lecture series. The series also covers diaphragm force determination following ASCE 7-16, including simplifying assumptions for diaphragm behavior and force transfer within the diaphragm. This includes lateral forces that a structure undergoes and the associated free body diagrams of the system.

Registration fees are \$675 for PCI members, \$745 for government employees, and \$1350 for nonmembers. The course will be led by Ismail Kuzuuc, David Nasser, and Chris Kercsmar. For additional details or to register, visit https://www.pci.org/PCI/Education/PCI_Online_Academy_-_Advancing_Professionals.aspx.

CALL FOR PCI DESIGN PRECAST ENTRIES

- >> The PCI Design Precast Competition challenges students to explore innovative uses of architectural precast concrete enclosure systems in structural, sustainable, and artistic ways by developing a design based on the instructions given in the competition details, which are available at <https://www.pci.org/archcomp>. Individual students or groups of no more than three students shall present their designs in the form of elevations and three-dimensional building information modeling. It is encouraged to work with a local PCI-certified producer to learn about the design assist method and to understand the production process for precast concrete and the colors and textures needed to complete the design. Applications for the fall 2025 semester are due November 7, 2025.

2027 LEADERSHIP PCI CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

- >> PCI's flagship leadership program, established on the occasion of PCI's 50th anniversary, is opening the nomination period for the next Leadership PCI (LPCI) class. Each year a class of outstanding individuals is selected from candidate nominations submitted by PCI members. Each new class begins at the PCI Convention, during which class members take part in program initiation, committee meetings, and other convention activities. In the subsequent year, class members are committed to a program of development activities, culminating in a graduation ceremony at the subsequent convention.
- The next class starts February 2-6, 2026, at the 2026 PCI Convention at the Precast Show in Kansas City, Mo., and graduates at the 2027 PCI Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah. In between there are mandatory in-person and virtual meetings. Any PCI member can submit a candidate for Leadership PCI by completing and submitting an application, available at pci.org/lpci. Applications are due by December 19, 2025, and both a sponsor and participant application must be submitted to be considered for the program.
- The program fee is \$3000 per participant. By submitting a nomination form, the sponsor agrees to be billed the program fee, should their candidate be accepted into the program, along with any travel and hotel costs for in-person events. The program fee is due before the 2026 PCI Convention. For more information about the LPCI program, message lpcci@pci.org.

PCI personnel training and certification schools

PCI School event details are subject to change. If you have any questions about the quality control school schedule or need help with registration, please contact PCI's continuing education coordinator at education@pci.org. Register at https://www.pci.org/qc_schools.

Levels I and II	November 12-14, 2025 November 17-20, 2025	Salt Lake City, Utah online
Level III	November 11-14, 2025 December 8-11, 2025	Salt Lake City, Utah online

PCI's CALENDAR

Events

PCI event details are subject to change. For the most current information, visit <https://www.pci.org/events>.

PCI Marketing and Sales School 2.0 Rosemont, Ill.	November 6–7, 2025
Leadership PCI Fall Bootcamp Cambria Hotel, Austin, Tex.	November 12–14, 2025
PCI Gulf South Winter Meeting Biloxi, Miss.	November 18–19, 2025
Strategic Planning Board Meeting Westin O'Hare, Rosemont, Ill.	December 10–11, 2025
2026 PCI West Annual Board Meeting Las Vegas, Nev.	January 21, 2026
2026 PCI Convention at the Precast Show Loews Kansas City, Kansas City, Mo.	February 2–6, 2026
2026 PCI Mid-Atlantic Winter Membership Meeting Location TBD	March 5–6, 2026
2026 PCI Gulf South Spring Meeting Lake Charles, La.	April 7–8, 2026
2026 PCI West Summer Board Meeting Woodland, Calif.	May 20, 2026
2026 Precast Concrete Manufacturers Association Summer Meeting Hilton Head Island, S.C.	May 28–30, 2026
2026 Florida Prestressed Concrete Association Summer Meeting Hyatt regency Coconut Point, Bonita Springs, Fla.	July 23–26, 2026
2026 PCI Committee Days San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter, San Antonio, Tex.	September 9–12, 2026
2026 Precast Concrete Manufacturers Association Fall Meeting Location TBD	October 15–16, 2026
2027 PCI West Annual Board Meeting Las Vegas, Nev.	January 20, 2027
2027 PCI Convention at The Precast Show Marriott Salt Lake City, Salt Lake City, Utah	February 1–5, 2027
2027 PCI West Summer Board Meeting Woodland, Calif.	May 26, 2027
2027 Georgia/Carolinas PCI Annual Meeting Hilton Head Island, S.C.	June 16–18, 2027
2027 Florida Prestressed Concrete Association Summer Meeting Location TBD	July 22–25, 2027
2027 PCI Committee Days Conference Loews Chicago O'Hare, Rosemont, Ill.	September 21–25, 2027
2028 PCI Convention at The Precast Show Hyatt Hotel, Columbus, Ohio	February 21–25, 2028

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