



DESIGN AUTOMATION CONFERENCE

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**Design Automation Conference Professional Development Fund to Award
More than \$80,000 this Year**
Supports Scholarships and Student Programs in EDA Industry

LOUISVILLE, Colo. – July 24, 2009 – The Design Automation Conference (DAC) announced that for the 16th year, DAC, along with its sponsors, is awarding more than \$80,000 in development funds to students and professionals in the EDA field. More than \$2.3 million have been awarded since the inception of the Professional Development Fund. The [46th DAC](#) will be held July 26 – 31 at the Moscone Center in San Francisco.

The DAC Professional Development Fund supports a range of programs, including the A. Richard Newton Graduate Scholarships, the P.O. Pistilli Advancement in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering Program, the Young Student Support Program, the University Booth Program, and several workshops that take place during DAC, such as the Workshop for Women in Design Automation (WWINDA) and the Design Automation Summer School (DASS). The fund also supports the Alumni Scholarship program, which offers DAC alumni who are between jobs an opportunity to attend DAC for professional skills maintenance and development.

“DAC plays a critical role in supporting education, both for students preparing to enter the EDA field and for professionals who wish to continue growing their skills and knowledge,” said Limor Fix, 46th DAC Past Chair, who oversees the DAC Professional Development Fund. “We are very pleased to announce this strong level of support this year, especially given the current economic environment.”

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About DAC

The Design Automation Conference (DAC) is recognized as the premier event for the design of electronic circuits and systems, and for Electronic Design Automation (EDA) and silicon solutions. A diverse worldwide community representing more than 1,000 organizations attends each year, from system designers and architects, logic and circuit designers, validation engineers, CAD managers, senior managers and executives to researchers and academicians from leading universities. Close to 60 technical sessions selected by a committee of electronic design experts offer information on recent developments and trends, management practices and new products, methodologies and technologies. A highlight of DAC is its Exhibition and Suite area with approximately 200 of the leading and emerging EDA, silicon, IP and design services providers. The conference is sponsored by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), the Electronic Design Automation Consortium (EDA Consortium), and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), and is supported by ACM's Special Interest Group on Design Automation (SIGDA) and IEEE's Council on Electronic Design Automation (CEDA), Circuits and Systems Society (CASS), and Computer-Aided Network Design (CANDE) Committee. More details are available at: www.dac.com.

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