Who We Are
Since 1975, the USENIX Association has brought together the community of engineers, system administrators, scientists, and technicians working on the cutting edge of the computing world. Our mission is to:

- Foster technical excellence and innovation
- Support and disseminate research with a practical bias
- Provide a neutral forum for discussion of technical issues
- Encourage computing outreach into the community at large

What We Do
We offer services to the advanced computing systems community in the following ways:

- Conferences (technology sharing, community building, and educational training)
- Academic Programs & Good Works (for students, academics, and the community)
- Publications (journals, proceedings, and books)
- Membership (provides benefits and participation in shaping the industry)
- LISA (a SIG for system administrators)

Why Students Should Join
USENIX offers programs tailored especially for students, including:

- **Student Discounts**: We keep membership dues and conference registration fees at an affordable low rate for full-time students. Students can join USENIX for $50 a year and LISA, the SIG for system administrators, for $30 a year.

- **Conference Grants**: USENIX works with corporate partners to provide financial assistance to students to attend USENIX conferences, covering registration and helping with expenses.

- **Unparalleled Networking Opportunities**: Students who attend USENIX conferences and contribute to mailing lists have the chance to mingle with leaders in their field. Take the opportunity to chat with industry experts during the many conference Guru Is In sessions, the “hallway track,” and evening events.

- **Publish Your Work**: A must-have for technology students wanting to stay ahead of the curve. CiteSeer ranks our proceedings among the top ten in highest impact for computer science. Proceedings are published for each event and are immediately available to student members. USENIX also offers a Best Student Paper Award at many events. The awards are cash prizes awarded to the best paper for which a student is the lead author at the USENIX event. Keep an eye out for our Calls for Papers (CFPs), and feel free to submit a paper!

- **Special Discounts**: USENIX offers its members discounts on everything from *Linux Journal* to No Starch Press and O’Reilly books, and more.

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