The 2026 Conferences of the Association for Computational Linguistics

Conference Schedule 2026

EACL – Rabat, Morocco: March 24–29

ACL – San Diego, USA: July 2–7

EMNLP – Budapest, Hungary: October 24–29

AACL - Macau, China: November 6-8

2026 ACL CONFERENCES

The Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL) is the preeminent venue for dissemination of the latest research in natural language processing and large language models. Our conferences bring together thousands of researchers, practitioners, and innovators from academia and industry to shape the future of language technology. 2025 had record attendance:

- NAACL: 2299 attendees (1579 in person)
- ACL: 6329 attendees (5359 in person)
- EMNLP: 6239 attendees (5224 in person)
- AACL: forthcoming

In 2026, ACL will be hosting four conferences:

- EACL: Rabat, Morocco March 24–29)
- ACL: San Diego, USA (July 2–7)
- EMNLP: Budapest, Hungary: (October 24–29)
- AACL: Macau, China (November 6-8)
- We project continued growth, with expectations of 3500- 4000 in-person attendees at ACL; 5000-5500 at EMNLP; 1,000-2,000 at EACL; and 700-1000 at AACL.

We offer sponsorship levels from Diamond to Bronze to match all budgets and goals. Diamond level sponsors receive premium exhibit space, complimentary registrations, and maximum visibility, while all sponsors benefit from direct engagement with our global NLP community. We offer a 15% discount for sponsoring multiple conferences.
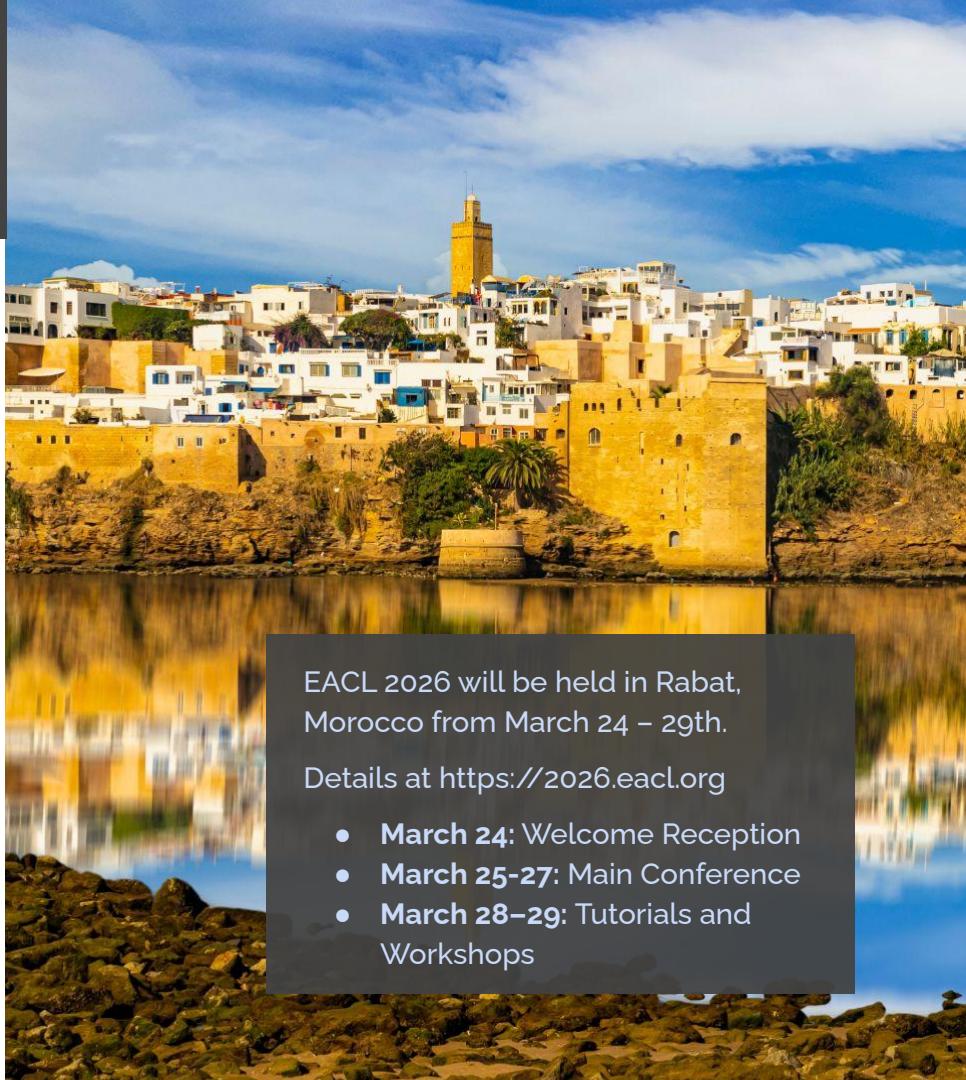
All sponsors receive:

- Company recognition on conference websites and banners
- Access to our engaged community of NLP researchers and practitioners
- Gold and above get access to our recruitment network of attendees seeking employment

Additional sponsorship opportunities include our Diversity & Inclusion initiative, sponsorship of our prestigious Best Paper Awards, and exhibition booths to showcase your innovations. Join us to build lasting relationships with the NLP community.

The 18th Conference of the European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL)

Sponsorship Levels for EACL 2026	
Diamond	$15,000
Platinum	$10,000
Gold	$6,000
Silver	$3,000
Bronze	$2,000

EACL 2026 will be held in Rabat, Morocco from March 24 – 29th.

Details at https://2026.eacl.org

- **March 24:** Welcome Reception
- **March 25-27:** Main Conference
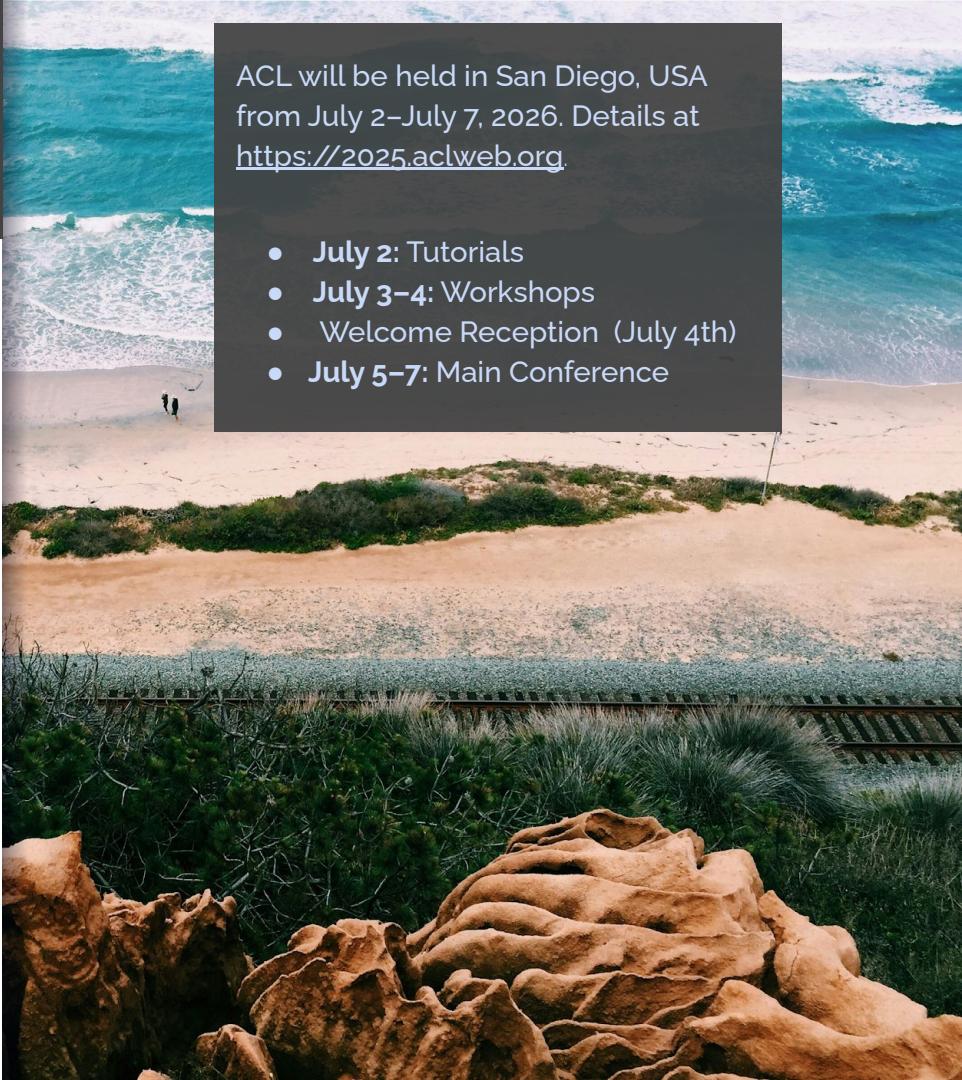- **March 28–29:** Tutorials and Workshops

64th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL)

Sponsorship Levels for ACL 2026	
Diamond	$50,000
Platinum	$35,000
Gold	$20,000
Silver	$12,000
Bronze	$7,500

ACL will be held in San Diego, USA from July 2–July 7, 2026. Details at https://2025.aclweb.org.

- **July 2**: Tutorials
- **July 3–4**: Workshops
- Welcome Reception (July 4th)
- **July 5–7**: Main Conference

2026 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing (EMNLP)

Sponsorship Levels for EMNLP 2026	
Diamond	$50,000
Platinum	$35,000
Gold	$20,000
Silver	$12,000
Bronze	$7,500

EMNLP will be held in Budapest, Hungary from October 24–29. Details will be available on the conference website.

- **October 24:** Welcome Reception
- **October 25-27:** Main Conference
- **October 28–29:** Tutorials and Workshops

SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

Benefit Description	Diamond	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Logo and hyperlink on conference website and on conference banner	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Number of complimentary registrations for company representatives to the full conference, including tutorials and workshops	7	5	3	2	1
Provision of a list of attendees interested in being contacted regarding employment opportunities	✓	✓	✓		
Complimentary exhibit space plus 2 complimentary staff registrations per day to manage the exhibit	✓ Double-wide exhibit space up to 16ft wide x 6ft deep;	✓ Single-wide exhibit space, 8ft wide x 6ft deep			

SPONSOR LEVELS BY CONFERENCE

	Diamond	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
EACL 2026	$15,000	$10,000	$6,000	$3,000	$2,000
ACL 2026	$50,000	$35,000	$20,000	$12,000	$7,500
EMNLP 2026	$50,000	$35,000	$20,000	$12,000	$7,500

Sponsoring 2 or more conferences gives a 15% multi-pack discount.

Academic Opportunities

Our Academic Opportunity sponsorships support and subsidise our researchers (especially from underrepresented communities and regions), such as travel and registration grants, childcare, disability assistance, VPN for virtual participants, and networking opportunities for affinity groups.

Academic Ally Benefits:
- Acknowledgement and hyperlink on the conference website and social media
- Inclusion of company logo and sponsor level in D&I section of prominently displayed banner

Academic Scholarships:
- For $500 each, you can sponsor students, first-time and underprivileged attendees to help broaden participation
- Scholarship sponsors will be acknowledged on the conference's social media

	Academic Ally	Scholarships
EACL 2026	$3,750 USD	$500 each
ACL 2026	$5,000 USD	$500 each
EMNLP 2026	$5,000 USD	$500 each

In 2025, Academic subsidies enabled over 150 researchers to attend the ACL conferences.

A Academic Opportunity multi-pack Sponsorship gives a 20% discount for 3+ conferences, or a 15% discount for 2 conferences.

ADD-ON: EXHIBITOR SPACE

Exhibition space is included for Diamond and Platinum sponsors. Other sponsorship levels may purchase exhibition space as an add-on.

Benefits:
- One exhibition space up to 8ft wide x 6ft deep
- Two complimentary staff registrations per day to manage the exhibit space
- Staff registration details
  - Includes access to exhibit space only
  - Does not include social events or welcome reception
  - Sponsors may purchase tickets to social events or welcome reception for their booth staff for an additional fee.

Cost:
- Exhibitor space is included for Diamond and Platinum sponsors. Others may purchase exhibition space separately.
- The cost includes a 3 day rental of the exhibition space.
- We provide information about local vendors who can help with the customization of your exhibition space.

Exhibit space	
EACL 2026	$5,000
ACL 2026	$10,000
EMNLP 2026	$10,000

Exhibit space is an add-on that must be purchased along with a sponsorship.

ADD-ON SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Best Paper Awards (Diamond Level):

- Support recognition of outstanding research at any of the ACL conferences
- Available exclusively to Diamond-level sponsors
- Limited to 2 sponsors per conference, allocated on a first-come, first-served basis
- $5,000 per conference
- Best papers are selected independently by the conference program committee with no involvement from sponsors

Sponsorship benefits include:

- Company logo displayed during best paper sessions
- Recognition in conference materials and awards ceremony
- Acknowledgment as award sponsor in announcements

Private Event Planning Support (Diamond Level):

- Exclusive benefit for Diamond sponsors
- Personalized recommendations with our events team for hosting private dinners or gatherings

Services include:

- Venue recommendations
- Local logistics support
- Scheduling guidance to maximize attendance

ADD-ON SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Event Sponsorship (Diamond & Platinum Levels):

Choose from two exclusive event sponsorship opportunities
- Welcome Event Signage Sponsor: $15,000
- Social Event Premium Sponsor: $25,000

Benefits include:
- Prominent branding and signage throughout the welcome event or social event
- Special recognition during event announcements
- Opportunity to provide branded materials or displays

Maximum of 2 sponsors per conference, available only to Diamond-level and Platinum-level sponsors

Coffee Break Sponsorship (All Levels):

- Support the networking and discussion periods that fuel our community
- $5,000 per break

Benefits include:
- Branded signage during sponsored coffee break
- Recognition in conference schedule and materials
- Company logo displayed at refreshment stations

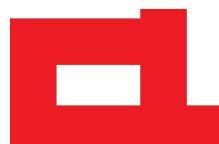Maximum of 6 sponsors per conference

HOW TO SPONSOR

Sponsoring ACL conferences is easy!

- ■ Contact the ACL Sponsorship Director indicating which conferences you want to sponsor, and at what level.

- ■ We will generate an invoice for you and collect your logo and link for the websites.

ACL Sponsorship Director
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Exhibitor Guidelines

The following guidelines are an overview of the full guidelines found in the official conference sponsorship/exhibitor manual which will be distributed 6-8 weeks prior to the conference start date.

1. Booth Dimensions
   ● Custom-designed booths must fit within the allocated space:
   ● Diamond Sponsorship: 6 meters long by 2 meters deep by 2.5 meters high
   ● Platinum, Gold, Silver & Bronze ad ons Sponsorship: 3 meters long by 2 meters deep by 2.5 meters high
   ● No extensions beyond these dimensions are permitted.

2. Placement of Materials
   ● All marketing materials, including banner stands, promotional items, TVs or monitors must remain inside the designated booth space.
   ● Any items placed outside the booth will be requested to be moved inside or removed completely.

3. Audio/Visual Restrictions
   ● No professional video recording or photography is allowed.
   ● Microphones, speakers, or amplified sound systems are prohibited

Exhibitor Guidelines

4. Food & Beverage
- Any food or beverage offered at your booth must have prior approval from ACL.
    - *(ACL/Venue preferred vendor must be used for any approved F&B. No outside food allowed.)*
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted unless explicitly authorized.

5. Safety & Compliance
- Booth structures must be stable and comply with venue safety regulations.
- Electrical equipment must be certified and used with proper surge protection.
- No open flames, hazardous materials, or items that could obstruct aisles.

6. Staffing & Conduct
- Booths must be staffed during all exhibit hours.
- Exhibitors should maintain professional behavior and avoid obstructing neighboring booths.

Exhibitor Guidelines

7. Giveaways & Promotional Items
- All giveaways must comply with local laws and event policies.
- No items that create excessive noise, mess, or disruption are allowed.

8. Setup & Dismantling
- Exhibitors must adhere to the official setup and teardown schedule
- Early dismantling before the event closes is not permitted.

10. Liability
- Exhibitors are responsible for their property and equipment.
- The event organizer and venue are not liable for loss, theft, or damage.

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ACL Sponsorship Conflict of Interest Policy

Following the ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (ACM FAccT), ACL has adopted the following sponsorship policy.

To ensure the independence and integrity of the conference, sponsors have no say over the paper selection process, awards selection, tutorial selection process, choice of invited speakers, the composition of conference are determined independently by the program committees and/or conference organizers.

The ACL will always acknowledge our sources of financial support.

The ACL will always disclose the benefits that funders receive as a condition of their contributions.

Sponsors can only contribute to a general fund; they cannot specify how their contributions are spent, with the following exceptions:

1. Sponsors are allowed to contribute toward a specific workshop hosted by an ACL conference.
2. Sponsors are allowed to contribute directly toward specific focus areas that are documented in our sponsorship booklet, with a recent example being sponsorship for Diversity and Inclusion efforts at conferences.

As one of the sponsor benefits, a Participant List may be requested by sponsors at any time and this list will contain name/email/affiliation, and country. Additionally, a separate list of those attendees wanting to talk with sponsors about employment opportunities will be made available. In both cases, inclusion in these lists is at the attendee's option. The lists may not be used for advertising or solicitation purposes.