

The 2026 Spring IEEE International Contest on Software Testing

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The Dallas Chapter of the IEEE Reliability Society, the [Technical Committee on System and Software Assurance](#) of the IEEE Reliability Society, and the [Center for Computer Science Education & Outreach](#) at the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD), with additional support from sponsors such as [Mooctest Inc.](#), organized a Software Testing Contest on Saturday, April 11.

The contest aimed to provide participants with hands-on, real-world experience in software testing and the use of testing tools, offering valuable opportunities to apply classroom knowledge to industry-level challenges.

The event was conducted in a hybrid format, featuring both an in-person session on the UTD campus and online participation via Zoom. In total, the contest attracted more than 200 registrations. In addition to students from UTD, participants also included students from local universities in the Dallas–Fort Worth metropolitan area, such as the University of North Texas and Southern Methodist University. The contest also welcomed online participants from various universities in India.

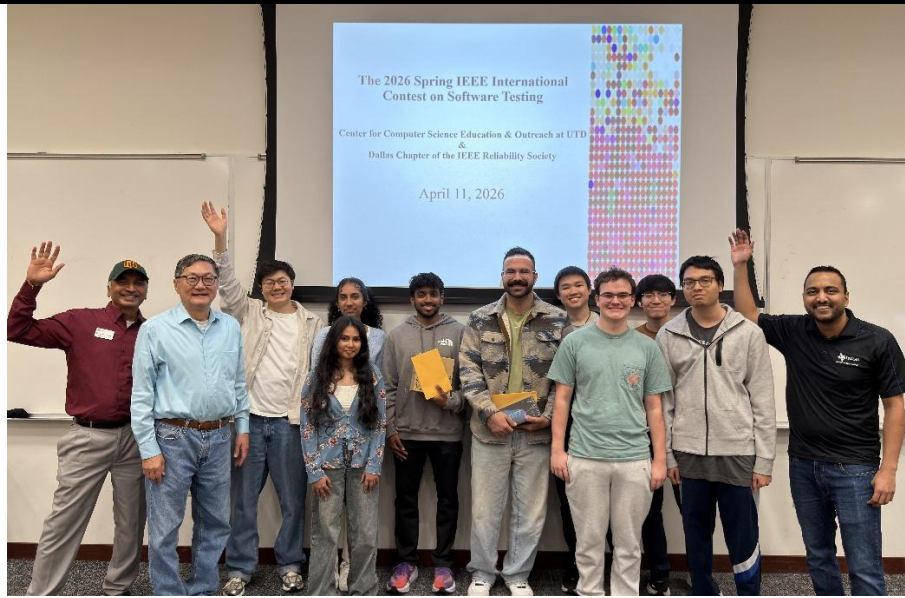
Each contestant received a certificate of participation in the contest. Those who achieved top rankings with the highest scores also received award certificates and cash-equivalent prizes.

1st Place	Rishi Villa	\$200 Cash & Wireless VoIP Headset (\$100)
2nd Place	Sina Moghtased	\$100 Cash & Bluetooth Speaker (\$100)
3rd Place	Omar Le Khan	\$60 Cash & Bluetooth Speaker (\$100)
4th Place	Chayanin Noramuttha	Bluetooth Speaker (\$100)
5th Place	Arshia	Bluetooth Speaker (\$100)
6th Place	Tejashree Reddi	Wireless Earbuds (\$50)
7th Place	Steven Duong	Wireless Earbuds (\$50)
8th Place	Mashiat Amin Farin	Wireless Earbuds (\$50)
9th Place	Oluwawemimo Joyce Jayeoba	Wireless Earbuds (\$50)
10th Place	Ronald Caleb Smitheart	Wireless Earbuds (\$50)

Winners of the 2026 Spring Software Testing Contest and the Prizes

After the contest, there was an invited talk by Shrinath Parikh, founder of HankerX and former Principal Cloud Architect, Amazon web services (AWS), who delivered a presentation on *Testing in the Age of AI*.

More details are available on the website: <https://swtesting.techconf.org/>



Winners of the 2026 Spring Software Testing Contest



Student Mentor & Contestants (I)



Student Mentor & Contestants (II)



Presentation by Shrinath Parikh on *Testing in the Age of AI*

Articles from previous contests are available on the Computer Science website at UTD and on the IEEE Reliability Society website.

- UT Dallas CS and IEEE Reliability Society Organize IEEE Software Testing Contest [\[CS site\]](#)
- UT Dallas CS Hosts 2023 Spring IEEE International Contest on Software Testing [\[CS site\]](#)
- UT Dallas CS and IEEE Reliability Society Host The 2nd Annual Contest on Software Testing [\[CS site\]](#)
- UT Dallas CS hosts successful 2022 IEEE International Contest on Software Testing [\[CS site\]](#)
- 2024 Spring International Contest on Software Testing (Vol. 70, No. 2, June 2024) [\[RS site\]](#)
- 2023 Spring International Contest on Software Testing (Vol. 69, No. 1, March 2023) [\[RS site\]](#)
- 2022 Spring International Contest on Software Testing (Vol. 68, No. 2, June 2022) [\[RS site\]](#)
- 2021 International Contest on Software Testing (Vol. 67, No. 1, June 2021) [\[RS site\]](#)
- 2020 Software Testing Contest at UT Dallas (Vol. 66, No. 1, June 2020) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest at QRS 2019 (Vol. 65, No. 3, October 2019) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest in Brazil (Vol. 65, No. 3, October 2019) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest at the University of Texas at Dallas (Vol. 65, No. 1, March 2019) [\[RS site\]](#)
- The 2018 Chinese National Student Contest on Software Testing at Nanjing University (Vol. 64, No. 3, November 2018) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest in Brazil (Vol. 64, No. 3, November 2018) [\[RS site\]](#)
- A Very Successful Software Testing Contest at the University of Texas at Dallas (Vol. 64, No. 1, February 2018) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest in Nanjing, China (Vol. 63, No. 3, November 2017) [\[RS site\]](#)
- Software Testing Contest at UT-Dallas (Vol. 63, No. 2, May 2017) [\[RS site\]](#)