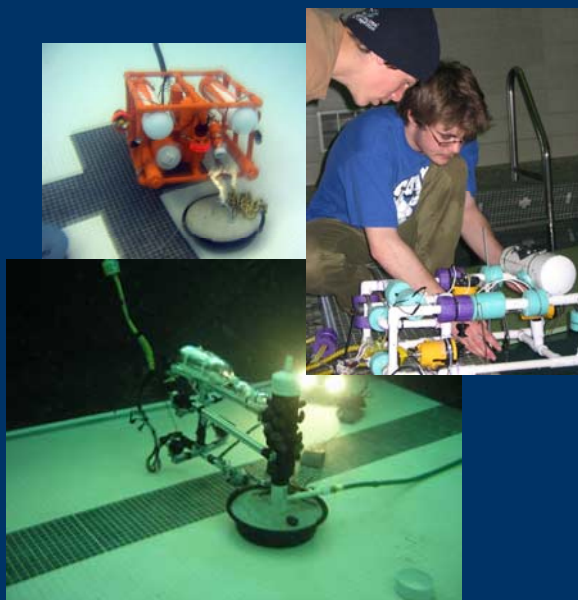


6th Annual
**Great Lakes Regional
MATE ROV
(Underwater Robot)
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The fun and educational competition connects students and educators with employers and working professionals from marine industries, highlights marine-related career opportunities, and promotes the development of technical, problem solving, critical thinking, and teamwork skills.

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**Great Lakes Regional registration
Deadline: March 19**