

The Changing Workforce

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The Changing Workforce

- Operator Training: An On-going Need
 - Costs of Not Training
 - Unified Operator Certification
 - Demographics
 - Boomers
 - Millennials
- How PanGlobal supports Energy Sector Operator Learning



OPERATOR TRAINING: AN ONGOING NEED



The Cost of Not Training

- Operating Costs
 - Inefficiency
 - Forced Outages
 - Insurance
 - Equipment loss
 - Injury/loss of life
- Safety Costs
- Maintenance Costs
- Staff Turnover Risks





Ever-Changing Training Needs

- Environmental litigation
 - GHG Regulations
 - CEMS/Emissions
 Monitoring/Reporting
 - Cross-state air pollution
 - Clean Air Act
 - Clean Water Act





Ever-Changing Training Needs

- Emerging/Advancing Technologies
 - Coal ash disposal
 - Carbon capture/sequestration
 - Operator Interfaces
 - Burner Management
- Safety/Litigation





Ever-Changing Training Needs



Operator Core Education

- Boiler fundamentals education
- Operator training and controls interface
- Operator Licensing and Certification
- Operator Training and Certification
- Energy Efficiency



Forced Outages

- 3 to 4.5 times the cost of planned outages.
- 100 times the cost if outage is at peak time
- Costly forced outage insurance



Safety/Maintenance Costs

Plant Safety Costs

- Steel Corp training initiatives
 - safety-awareness training
 - hands-on workstation training
 - certifying all plant supervisors in OSHA Standards
- In 3 years, recordable incidents fell 63 percent

Maintenance Costs

- Pulp mill developed a preventative maintenance team
- Classroom and field training on tools, techniques, rationale and benefits of PM
- In 2 years, a 30 percent reduction in lost production due to breakdowns, translating into \$3.54 million per year.



Why Train Operators?

Operator Error

- National Board Incident Report for 2000, operator error and poor maintenance cause:
 - 42% of reported power boiler incidents,
 - 39% of steam heating boiler incidents,
 - 42% of water heating boiler incidents, and
 - 76% of unfired pressure vessel incidents.
- National Board Incident Report for 1993
 - 79% of all boiler accidents for power boilers and heating boilers were attributable to just two causes: low water cutoffs, and operator error/poor maintenance.

Dana Corporation Paris Tennessee June 18, 2007





Dana Corporation Paris Extrusion Plant Paris, Tennessee June 18, 2007





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STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF BOILER AND ELEVATOR INSPECTION

"The main cause of the boiler accident was **improper** maintenance and the lack of operational procedures of the boilers. In addition, removal and replacement of critical controls and safety devices, along with the lack of proper training and qualified personnel equally contributed to the occurrence of the accident."



Why Train Operators?

Three-prong approach to boiler and pressure vessel safety

- I. Safe engineering design (ASME)
- II. Safe and consistent manufacturing (NBBI)
- III. Skilled and trained operators





Staff Turnover

A 2005 study on the aging workforce trends at U.S. coal-fired power plants

- the average age of the power plant workforce is 48.
- an average coal-fired plant will likely lose half its current plant staff in the next decade due to retirement and attrition.
- the specialized labor to replace this talent pool will likely be in short supply and difficult to recruit.

American Public Power Association - 2006

"the loss of critical knowledge and the inability to find replacements with utility-specific skills are the two biggest challenges facing the industry. As a result, the utility industry will be hit very hard, very quickly by the shortage of skilled workers. That's because the average age of utility workers is almost 50, several years older than the national average, and 45 percent of the workforce in electric and natural gas utilities are expected to reach retirement in the next several years."



UNIFIED OPERATOR CERTIFICATION



Uniform Regulation: American Attitudes

- 3 states are not NBBI members
- 1 state has not adopted ASME code
 - Political will toward enacting laws regulations.
 - Reluctance to relinquish state-level autonomy and harmonize.
 State vs. federal control
 - Suspicion toward regulation and state control.
 Totalitarianism vs. Democracy
 - Prefer a free market approach. Owner has vested interest for safety. The safe businesses survive.
 - Necessity?
- What does this mean for uniform boiler operator certification?



A Single National Operator Certification?

- Reality Check:
 - Limited agreement on content and curriculum between jurisdictions (state/civic), and private industry
 - Limited portability of licenses
 - Limited agreement on NECESSITY
 - Will the future operator require compulsory National certification?



The Future of Compulsory US Operator Certification

 Operator certification will continue to be regulated in states and cities that consider it to be a key aspect of public safety.





The Future of Compulsory US Operator Certification

- Jurisdictions will only adopt compulsory certification voluntarily.
- Jurisdictions may see the benefit to uniform operator certification, and adopt NIULPE.
- Corporate training and certification is and will continue to be paramount in jurisdictions that have not adopted compulsory certification





The Future of Compulsory US Operator Certification

"Ultimately, the question is not about the delivery and licensing model. What is INDISPUTABLE is the NECESSITY of **COMPREHENSIVE**, **RELEVANT** and **THOROUGH** operator training."

- David Kinasevych, 2016

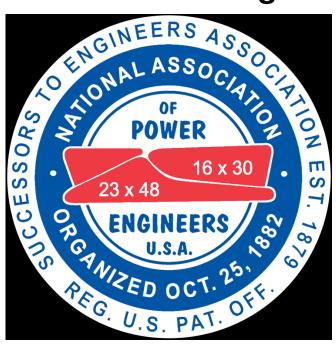


Organizations that Support Operator Training and Licensing: NIULPE and NAPE

- NIULPE approach has been to support voluntary jurisdictional adoption of operator licensing
- NAPE has more of an operator education/training mandate



National Institute for the Uniform Licensing of Power Engineers, Inc.





The Changing Workforce: Uniform Licencing?

- Will a movement gain traction?
- What would license portability look like in the USA?
- What could or would bring about unified boiler operator licensing?
- Would the country benefit?



Boomers and Millennials

THE CHANGING WORKFORCE: DEMOGRAPHICS

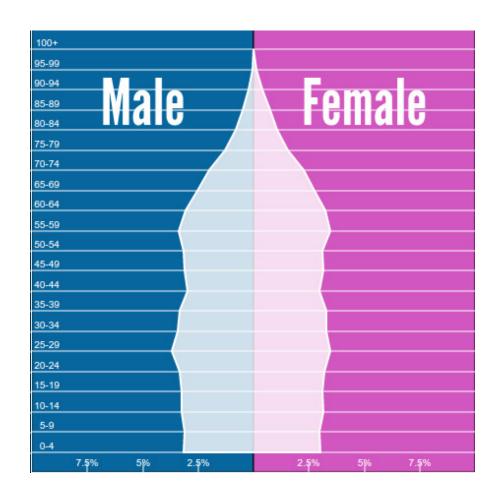


Baby Boomers

- Boomers are now reaching retirement
 - Process/equipment knowledge and experience must be retained and transferred to younger operators
 - Mentors (informal educators) and Trainers (formal educators)
 - Old guys need to **continually learn the new stuff** so they have the lexicon to transfer their information to the new hires:
 - Equipment
 - Procedures
 - Instruments
- OLD GUYS MUST be SMEs! New generation will call them on stuff.



American Population Statistics 2009 - 2019





Canada's SOPEEC model

- Standardization of Power Engineering Examination Committee.
- Sub-committee of the Association of Chief Inspectors
- Power Engineers have uniform licensing and certification exams
- Power plants have fairly uniform classification models, according to boiler capacity (horsepower/therm-hours/kW rating/heating surface)

Plant Class	Chief	Shift Engineer	Assistant Shift Engineer
1	1 st Class	1 st or 2nd Class	1 st , 2 nd or 3rd Class
2	1st or 2nd Class	1 st , 2 nd or 3rd Class	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd or 4th Class
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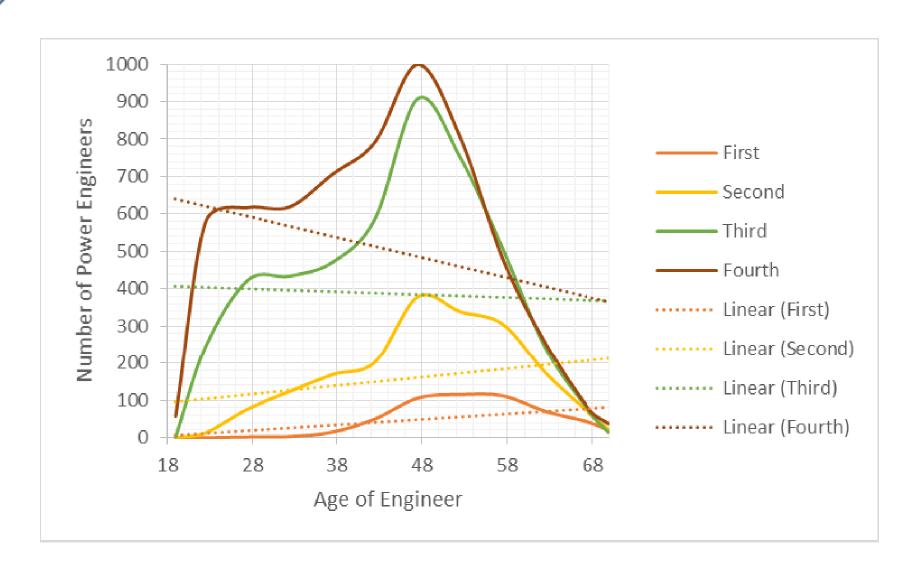
Canada's SOPEEC model

 The curriculum is Industry and Educator
 Validated through IPECC: Inter-Provincial Power Engineer Curriculum Committee

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Alberta Power Engineer Statistics 2009





- Pre-hires
- New Hires
- Junior Operators
- Senior Operators





Pre-hires

- Centre for Energy Workforce Development (CEWD)
- National Energy Education Development Project (NEED)
- National Energy Education Network (NEEN)







Pre-hires

- School-based Formal Instruction
- Community colleges/Polytechnics
- Junior High and High schools
- Results in Institutional Certification/Accreditation
- MAY lead to Jurisdictional licensing
- National Energy Education Network (NEEN)



- New Hires and Junior Operators
 - Lifelong
 - Formal
 - Certification/Accreditation
 - Jurisdictional licensing
 - MAY be site-specific and/or meet external validation standards
 - May lead to career advancement
 - Informal
 - Mentoring and Corporate Enculturation by Senior Operators.
 - VERY IMPORTANT!

All Boiler Overv



Senior Operator Training in the Changing Workforce

- Power Engineer careers can last 45 years
- Compare power plant technology today versus 45 years ago





Senior Operator Training in the Changing Workforce

- The operating "envelope" is shrinking, making the plant inherently more complex to operate.
- Changes to plant design and/or operational mission tend to place a larger burden on plant staff.
- Implementation of advanced technologies and data integration requires new skill sets not traditionally available in the fossil industry.
- Impacts and results of new unit mission profiles need to be learned and communicated across the industry to enable effective fleet management.

Electric Power Research Institute 2015



Senior Operator Training in the Changing Workforce

"A company needs to stay on top of training... Like anything else, operator skills go out of date quickly because changes are made in most operations fairly frequently. Skills become stale if they are not used often. Plants that are highly automated present many opportunities for operator skills to atrophy."

Pete Henderson, Senior Product Manager UniSim Product Line, Honeywell.



Senior Operator Training in the Changing Workforce

"Facility managers cannot look to technical solutions for all energy use problems. In fact, many problems stem from lack of training related to system optimization or ineffective training programs. Establishing effective, low-cost, low-tech training and maintenance program within a plant can prevent the seemingly endless cycle of fighting recurring problems."

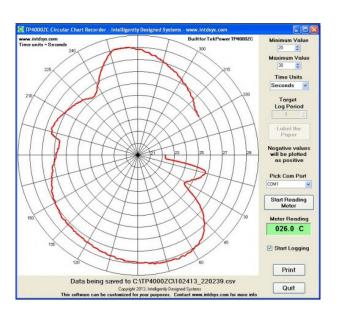
The Human Side of Efficiency: The Value of Training in Plant Systems
Optimization"
Rachel Madan, Industrial Program Associate
Alliance to Save Energy, Washington, DC



Senior Operator Training

- Has been and continues to be a Lifelong Learner
- Corporate/formal training for position advancement
- Corporate/formal training for Jurisdictional requirements
- May involve certification advancement for position advancement



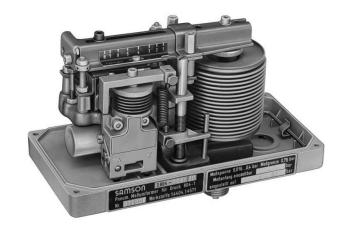




Today's Training Challenges

- Accommodation for shift workers
 - 24 hour program delivery/distance learning
 - Blackboard Collaborate and community colleges offer flexible virtual classroom instructional delivery
 - Blended Delivery
 - Study time at work/on shift
 - Back-filling positions to permit education time-off
 - Equipment specific training

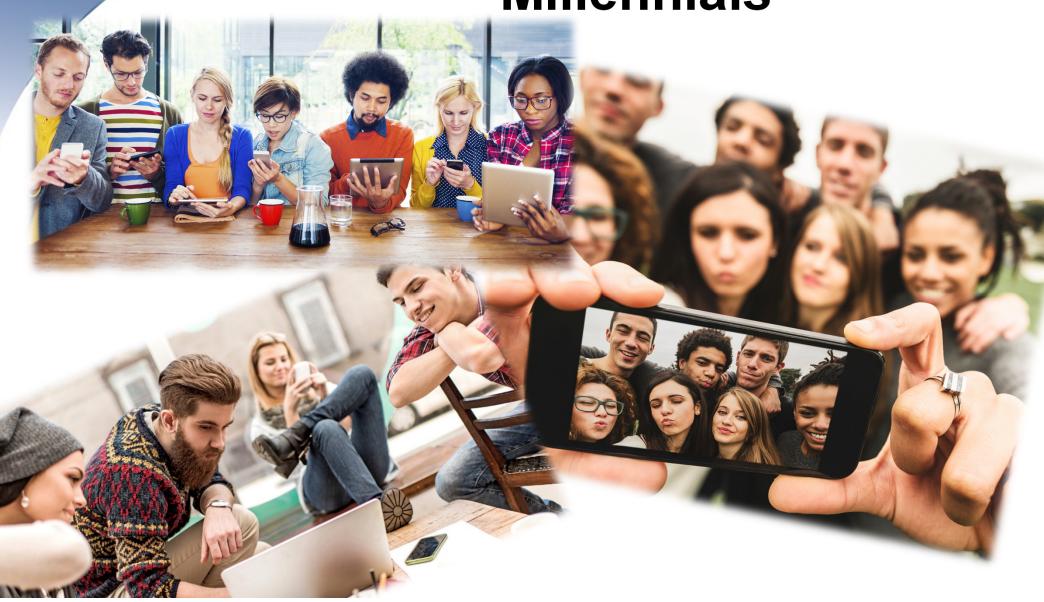
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Neophyte Operators: the Millennials





Neophyte Operators: Millennials

- ✓ Highly educated
- ✓ Tech savvy. Will rapidly learn new control systems, handheld devices for field operation, etc.
- ✓ Multi-taskers
- ✓ Sense of Justice
 - Environmental concerns
 - Workplace Bullying
- ✓ Sceptical
 - don't take information at face value
 - will drill-down and do research on technical matters (they know how to access information).
- ✓ **Liberal/politically correct**. Knowledge and Truth are subjective rather than objective



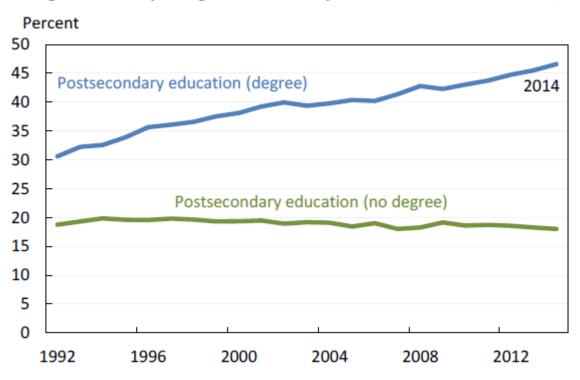
Neophyte Operators: Millennials

- Fact or Myth?
 - Sense of entitlement?
 - Start at the top?
 - Easy-button generation?
 - Less loyal?
- This is the need for Corporate/Career Enculturation and Mentorship.



Highly Educated: Demonstrated Ability to Learn

Figure 6: People Ages 25 to 34 By Educational Attainment,



Source: Current Population Survey; CEA calculations.



Millennial Learning Preferences

- Most respondents agreed (86%) they prefer PowerPoint slides along with lectures.
- I learn from video clips. 86.8% agreed
- I like a mixture of activities (lecture, group, work, discussion, problem solving) in a large class 91.3% agreed
- Solving problems in class helps me learn 92.3% agreed
- Frequent quizzes are a good idea. 80.2% agreed

Nicholas, Arlene, "Preferred Learning Methods of the Millennial Generation" (2008). Faculty and Staff - Articles & Papers. Paper 18. Salve Regina University



Millennial Learning Preferences

- I prefer lecture format: 62.6% agreed
- I consider class discussion in small groups with other students to be a valuable way to learn the course material.
 63.6% agreed
- Working with other students on an in-class activity helps me feel more prepared to participate in class discussions. 72.5%
- Doing group work in class is a valuable way to learn material.
 72.3% agreed
- I prefer multiple-choice exams compared with essay exams.
 84.6% agreed



How to Train Millennials? Sound Andragogy

- Enculturate.
 - "Buy-in" to company and career: sell the company mission, vision and values
 - Mentoring
- Life-long learning.
 - They don't know it all.
 - 50 years of technology per career

- Give them current technology
 - On-line learning
 - IPad/Android device support
 - LMS
 - E-books
 - Simulator time



How to Teach Millennials? Sound Andragogy

- Give them quality relevant learning materials
 - Millennials respect expertise
- Give them Variety
 - Texts
 - Simulators
 - Videos
 - Practice Question banks
 - Work Experience (on the job)

Motivate

- Advancement Opportunity
- Training Opportunity
- Credentials

Accommodate

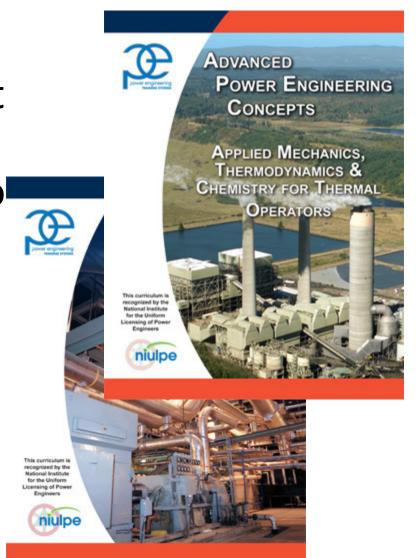
- Shift Schedules
- Learning preferences. (mix it up)



HOW PANGLOBAL SUPPORTS ENERGY SECTOR OPERATOR LEARNING

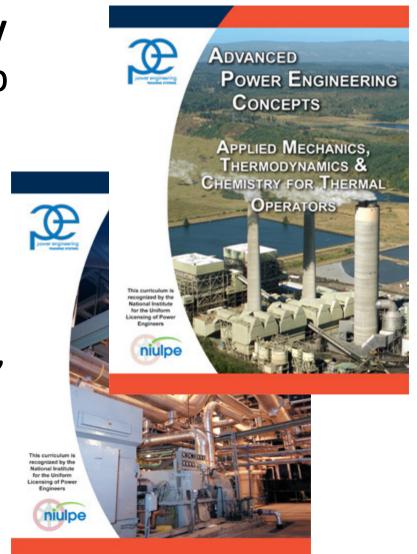


- Life-long learning
 - PanGlobal keeps abreast of technology by submitting its content to ANNUAL 3rd party educator, jurisdiction and industry validation. Remember 50 years of technological change per career?



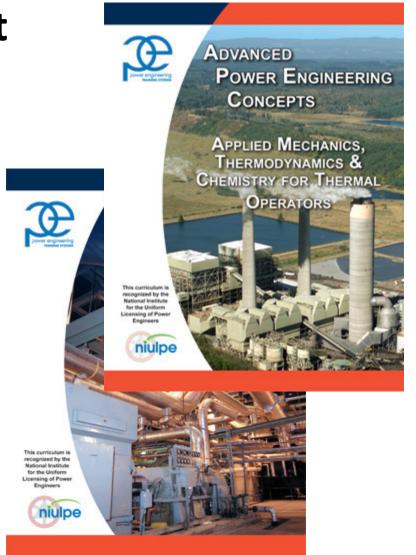


- Give them current technology
 - PanGlobal strives to keep content up-to-date
 - PanGlobal provides online learning tools that support individual and institutional use
 - PanGlobal supports IPad,
 Android, PC and Mac
 - LMS
 - eBooks



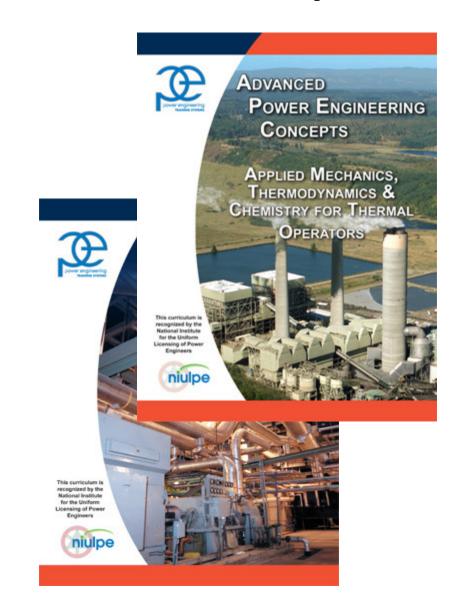


- Give them quality relevant learning materials
 - PanGlobal has a team of in-house subject matter experts (Power Engineers AND Educators) who rigorously
 - evaluate content for relevancy,
 - edit for technical accuracy, and
 - author for understanding



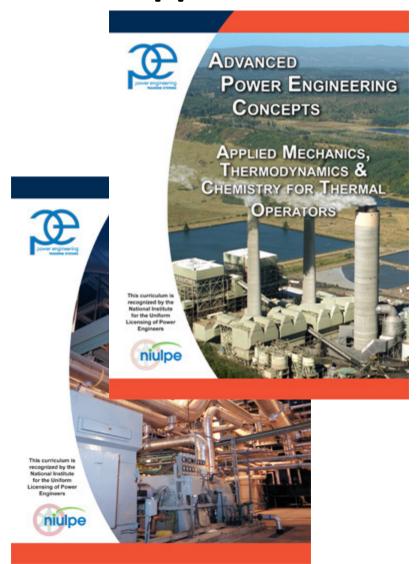


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 - PanGlobal produces
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 Question banks.
 - Fully functional LMSs



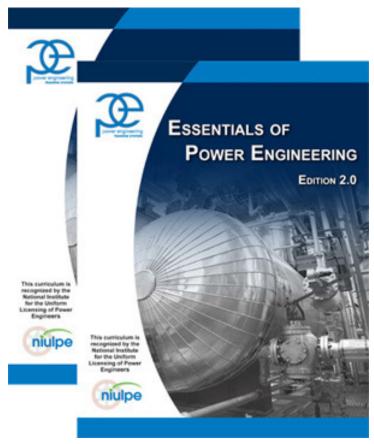


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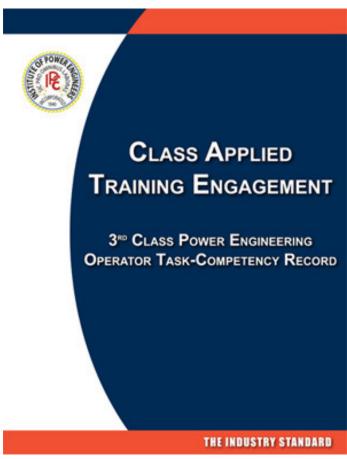


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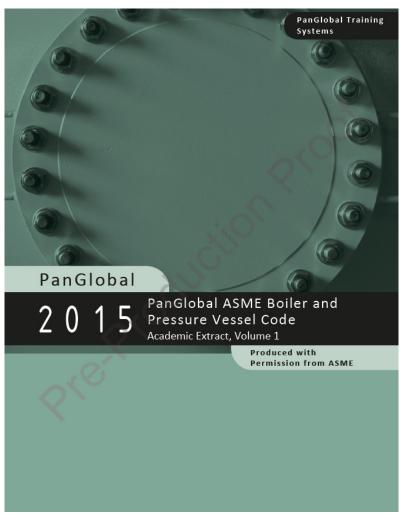


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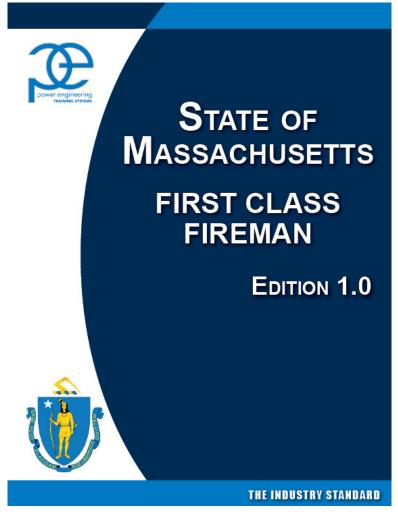
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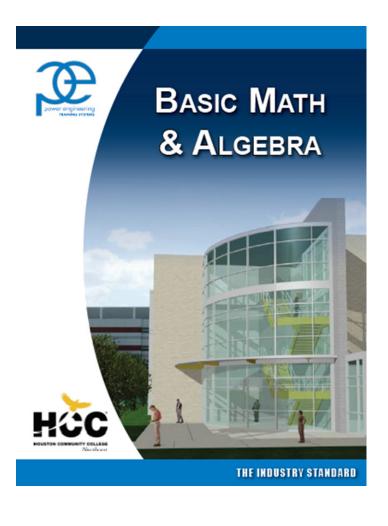
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- Jurisdiction-specific custom Power Engineering Products
 - Textbooks
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 - Logbooks





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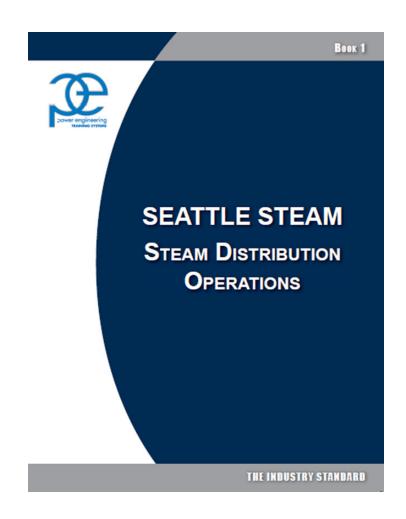
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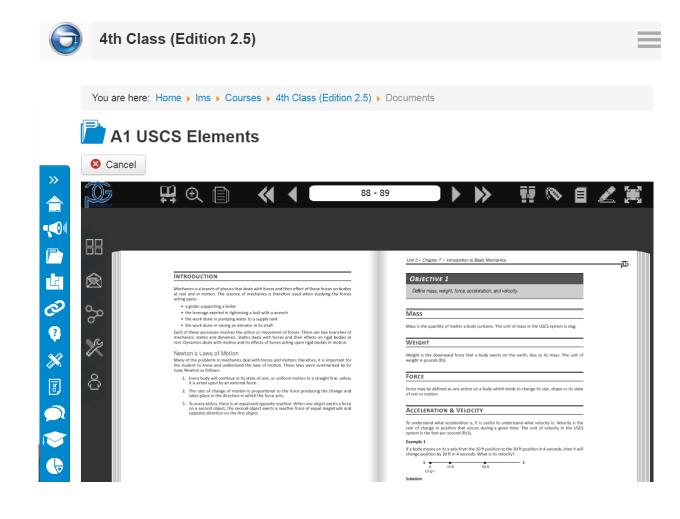




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- MyPower Study LMS
- Designed for individual learners





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- Calcium sulphate
- Sulphates and bicarbonates
- Calcium and magnesium ions
- Sodium bicarbonates and sulphates
- Magnesium bicarbonate



moodle LMS:

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PanGlobal's Learning Management Systems









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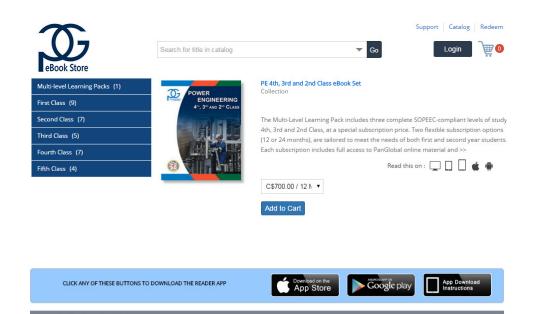


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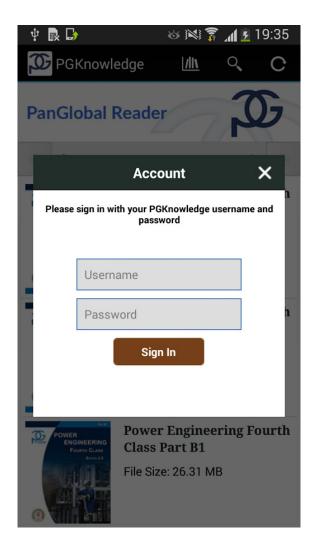
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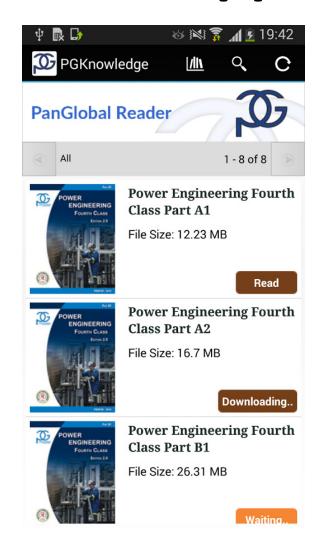
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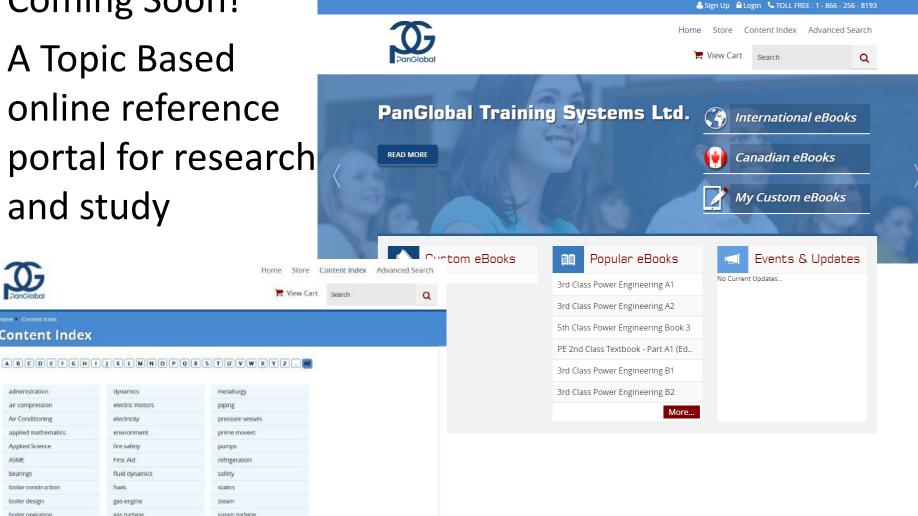
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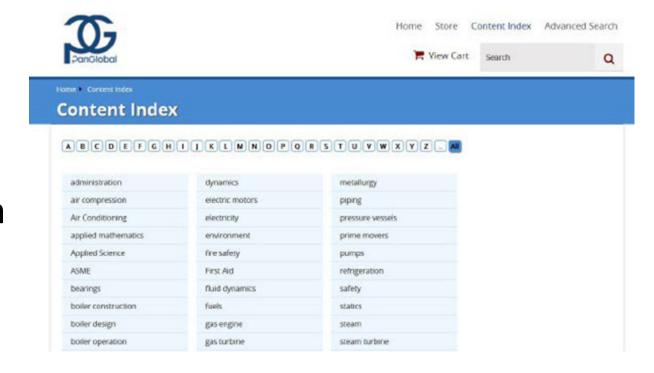
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Wrap up: The Future of Operator Education

- Certification and Risk
 Management
 - Jurisdictional focus:
 - NIULPE license
 - NAPE learning materials
 - Corporate focus
 - NIULPE license
 - NAPE learning materials
 - PanGlobal Knowledge Platform
 - Corporate library
 - Content area focus, with vertical alignment
 - Supports activities of NIULPE and NAPE

Demographics

- Boomers
 - Knowledge/experience transfer
 - Mentoring/Training
 - Lifelong Learners
- Millennials
 - Tech savvy
 - Multi-taskers
 - Justice
 - Sceptical
 - Sound andragogy
 - Variety



THANK YOU!



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