Exploring Clean Energy Professional Development and Training Opportunities

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NYSERDA Overview

Mission Statement
Advance innovative energy solutions in ways that improve New York's economy and environment.

Vision Statement
Serve as a catalyst – advancing energy innovation, technology, and investment; transforming New York's economy; and empowering people to choose clean and efficient energy as part of their everyday lives.
Clean Energy Survey: Summary of Findings
How familiar are you with these certifications?

- GPRO
- LEED
- BOC
- BPI EE Building Operator
- AEE Certified Energy Manager
- AEE Certified Energy Auditor
- Boiler Operator Certs

- Familiar
- Somewhat Familiar
- Not Familiar
- Currently Have Cert
When do you prefer to take training?

- Weekday 8am-12pm
- Weekday 1pm-5pm
- Weekday After 5pm
- Weekend
- Self-Paced Online Training
What topics are you interested in learning more about?

- Automated Controls
- High Efficiency HVAC
- High Efficiency Lighting
- Air Sealing and...
- Combined Heat and...
- Solar Electric
- Solar Thermal
- Geothermal
- Wind
- Energy Auditing
- O&M Best Practices
- Energy Storage
Clean Energy Training: An Overview of Opportunities
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Description: Provides basic design and installation instruction for engineers and architects for PV systems including National Electric Code, International Fire Code, and International Building Code considerations.

Who should attend? Architects, engineers, and installers (in some instances)

Continuing Education Units: DoS BSC, AIA, NYSED, and NABCEP

Cost: Free or $15 administration fee for PEs seeking professional development hours

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## Workforce Training Offerings in Energy Efficient Building Operations for O&M personnel

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<th>BOC Level 2</th>
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<td>60-hour program, provides a foundation in building systems and equipment and energy management principles.</td>
<td>75-hour program, provides advanced training in equipment troubleshooting and industry best practices in O&amp;M.</td>
<td>15-hour program, provides instruction in the PNNL Building Re-Tuning protocol for ongoing commissioning.</td>
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## Course descriptions and learning outcomes

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<td>Students will learn how to reduce energy costs, calculate energy &amp; demand savings, determine equipment replacement priorities, improve system &amp; equipment performance, recommend specific system improvements, and manage occupant comfort.</td>
<td>Course provides major emphasis on HVAC controls, electrical system testing and load control, and O&amp;M best practices including planned &amp; predictive maintenance and third-party certifications such as LEED EBOM.</td>
<td>Trainees gain an improved awareness of inefficient building operating conditions, ability to work with building data including setup of BAS trend-logs and graphs, improved monitoring of system and equipment functioning over time, troubleshooting and action planning based on data observations, and better operating conditions.</td>
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- Successful trainees are eligible for the BOC-1 national certification.
- 60 contact hours toward certification/license renewal.

- Successful trainees are eligible for the BOC-2 national certification, supersedes BOC-1.
- BOC-1 or equivalent is required for taking BOC-2.
- 75 contact hours toward certification/license renewal.

- Participants are required to work with and have access to a BMS/BAS.
- 15 contact hours toward certification/license renewal.
Solar One Green Workforce Training Program

✔ Green hard skills training for building staff
  • Green building operations and maintenance
  • Green construction (carpentry, electrical, plumbing)
  • Energy efficiency & building performance
  • Industry certifications
    • Building Performance Institute (BPI)
    • Green Professional (GPRO)

✔ Training Lab located in Queens/LIC
  • Energy Efficient Boilers
  • Energy Efficient Hot Water Heaters
  • Control Room with demand management
  • Lighting demos
  • Insulation hopper
  • Bathroom demo

“Solar One’s Green Building O&M training helped me see my building in a whole new way. If you’re serious about saving energy and improving operations, you and your staff should take this course!”

– Joe De Jesus
Building Maintenance Supervisor
Ridgewood-Bushwick Management
BPI Multifamily Building Operator Certification (7 days)
- Fundamentals of high-performance buildings
- Heating and cooling system operations and maintenance, including airflow and ventilation management and preventative maintenance
- Electric energy efficiency
- Water conservation
- Green cleaning, recycling and integrated pest management

GPRO Operations and Maintenance Certificate (2 days)
- Building metrics to improve performance
- Energy efficient lighting
- Improving the building envelope
- Efficient and cost effective heating and cooling systems
- Reducing water use
GPRO Electrical Certificate (2 days)
- Electrical systems within the “whole-building” approach
- Green vs. conventional electrical products & practices
- Improving efficiencies in lighting and HVAC
- Using benchmarking and other tools to maintain building performance
- Retrofitting existing buildings with energy-efficiency

Green Construction (Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing) (5-10 days)
Course Name: Energy Efficient Building Operations Specialist

Course Duration: 5-Days

Certification Entity: Building Performance Institute (BPI CEU: 7.5)

Learning Outcome:
Establish operation and maintenance practices that promote energy efficiency, water conservation, building durability, and resident health and safety.

“The key to persistent energy savings in buildings is education of those individuals directly responsible for the day-to-day building operations”
Course Name: Multifamily Building Analyst
Course Duration: 5-Days
Certification Entity: Building Performance Institute (BPI CEU: 7.5)

Learning Outcome:
Perform a comprehensive assessment of multifamily buildings that identifies health and safety hazards and all reasonable opportunities for energy and water conservation savings, including equipment and system retrofits and replacement, and operation and maintenance improvements.

“Deepen your knowledge of multifamily assessments, and expand your opportunities through high quality training delivered by industry-leading practitioners”
GPRO certificate program teaches principles of sustainability & green construction to the people who build and operate buildings.

Operations & Maintenance Essentials:

- Metrics and improving building performance
- Improving heating and cooling systems, indoor air quality
- Minimize energy use while ensuring occupant satisfaction

Private classes available
60% NYSERDA discount until June 30th

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Conquering the Energy Code
2015 International Energy Conservation Code

Architects and Engineers will:
• Understand the structure and rationale of the energy code
• Differentiate between various compliance pathways
• Sharpen communication and coordination skills to improve compliance
• Understand interdependence of building systems /impact on energy use

• Private classes available
• 7 CEUs / $75
• For more information: www.bit.ly/energycode or ecode@urbangreencouncil.org
Thank you!

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