

Substation

Engineering Course

Sargent & Lundy



Sargent & Lundy conducts training in substation design for our clients in the utility industry. Training is conducted at our Chicago headquarters by engineers engaged in substation design and engineering. Since the course was first introduced in 1994, it has been attended by more than 3,000 utility professionals from around the world.

What You'll Learn

This four-day course provides a comprehensive treatment of the fundamentals of substation physical design, protection and control systems, civil/structural design, telecommunications, and electrical testing and commissioning. The course is tailored to address specific tasks and applications of substation design. Throughout the course attendees will complete calculation and design exercises, applying the principles learned. Each attendee receives a copy of all classroom exhibits for future reference.

Throughout each session, new information is derived from recent experience on a wide variety of projects, including enclosed GIS substations in urban locations and extensive upgrades to existing facilities.

Course instructors include Ray Arnold, PE; Romulus Berzescu, PE; Matt LaCourt; Mike Roessler, PE; Nate Roth, SE; Dan Sleezer; and Tom Thorsell, PE.

Who Should Attend?

Utility engineers, project managers, and other professionals involved with substation projects. In particular, entry-level engineers or experienced professionals who are new to this area of the electric utility business will benefit from the course.

Course Fees

The four-day course at Sargent & Lundy's Chicago office is offered at the price of \$1,950. The price is reduced to \$1,850 if payment is received by Sargent & Lundy one week prior to the course start date. Credit card payment is now accepted through our website. The fee covers supporting text and course materials, as well as breakfast and lunch each day. Utility on-site sessions for 15 or more students are also available. Please call for information.

32 Professional Development Hours

Participants receive a certificate of completion and one professional development hour (PDH) for every hour of classroom instruction. Refer to specific state requirements for applicable PDH credits.

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Substation Engineering Course Details

Day 1: Power System Analysis and Electrical Design

Session 1 introduces students to electric power systems and factors influencing substation design. Session 2 will introduce students to functions and design of various substation components.

Session 1 – Electric Power Systems and Substation Components

- Electricity basics
- Power grid operation
- Types of studies
- Power grid configuration

Session 2 – Substation Components

- Substation types
- Substation equipment
- Equipment standards and ratings
- Substation material

Day 2: Substation Electrical Design

Session 3 reviews the fundamentals of relay protection, as well as introducing attendees to the principles of protection schemes for major substation equipment. Session 4 covers the single line development process and includes in-class development of a single line.

Session 3 – Protective Relaying Principles

- PLC components
- Transformers
- Buses
- Lines
- Breaker failure

Session 4 – Single Line Development

- Bus arrangements
- One-line diagram
- Protection zones

Day 3: Substation Physical Design, Grounding, and Communications

Session 5 presents design inputs, layout options and selection, and air and gas insulated substation design. Session 6 covers grounding principles and substation grounding design. Sessions 7 and 8 will present SCADA concepts and telecom methods. Session 9 discusses the use of voltage control and power flow equipment in power grid operation.

Session 5 – Substation Layout

- Design inputs
- Substation layout selection
- Air insulated substations
- Gas insulated substations

Session 6 - Substation Grounding

- Purpose of the grounding system
- Touch and step potentials
- Grounding system design

Session 7 – SCADA Concepts

- Typical network
- Equipment
- Communication protocols

Session 8 - Telecom

- Telecommunications network functions
- Main types of communication
- Substation telecom networks and components

Session 9 – Voltage Control/ Power Flow Equipment

- Capacitors and reactor
- Phase shifting transformers
- Synchronous condensers
- Static VAR compensators and STATCOMs

Day 4: Civil/Structural/Commissioning, and Testing

Sessions 10 through 14 cover the principle elements of tasks performed by civil/structural engineers in the design of a sub-station. Session 15 will identify the steps required to verify the functionality of equipment, demonstrate that equipment is ready to be energized, and enable safe energization and commissioning of newly installed equipment.

Session 10 – Site Development

- Grading and drainage

Session 12 – Bus Structural Design

- Strain bus
- Rigid bus

Session 13 – Structures

- Types
- Loadings

Session 14 – Substation Buildings

- Construction alternatives
- Cost factors

Session 15 – Commissioning and Testing

- Objectives of commissioning and testing
- Testing and commissioning caveats
- Coordination and support requirements
- Equipment and component testing
- Equipment and circuitry functional testing
- In-service testing/commissioning

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