

# Initial Operator Program

Online Training

The SOS Intl Initial Operator Training program provides the training students need to launch their power industry careers. This program is designed specifically to prepare students for the NERC Certification Exam, combining NERC Certification: Exam preparation and select courses (see below for list of courses). If you are new to the industry, this program introduces you to the Bulk Electric System (BES) and prepares you to pass the NERC Certification Exam.

## NERC Certification: Exam Preparation Online

This online training is based on the current NERC Certification Content Outline, providing a good foundation of prerequisite knowledge for exam candidates. For most students, we recommend supplementing our online training with the intensive NERC Certification: Exam Preparation Instructor-Led review as the best source for exam study.

### This online training provides:

- Current NERC certification exam content
- Recall, application, and analysis questions
- End of Program Exam to evaluate knowledge gained within each content area

In addition to NERC Certification: Exam Preparation Online, you will receive the following courses which provide basic industry information:

- Power System Fundamentals
- Math for Energy Professionals
- Area Control Error Equation
- Electric Power Principles
- Transmission Equipment Principles
- Reactive Power Fundamentals & Voltage Control



## PowerStarters for NERC Certification Preparation:

### Essential training for new staff in the power industry

If you or your student is brand new to the electrical utility industry, PowerStarters for NERC Certification Preparation is the perfect online training to kick start your new recruits and acclimate them to the world of the BES.

This content-rich training introduces the new operator or marketer to the power grid, and its components and operations. It also helps you comply with NERC's requirement for initial operator training to orient new hires to the electric grid.

## Delivered through the SOS University, our online training provides:

- Interactive modules with professional audio and activities
- Student progress tracking through the SOS Learning Management System (LMS)
- Training developed with a systematic approach to training (ADDIE)
- 24/7 access to modules

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## Pricing Information

This training program conveniently combines NERC Certification: Exam Preparation and PowerStarters for NERC Certification Preparation giving you the basics to launch your electric utility career. Learn the fundamentals of the BES and prepare to take the NERC certification exam with the SOS Initial Operator Training program.

### INITIAL OPERATOR PROGRAM

	PRICE
<b>INITIAL OPERATOR TRAINING</b>	\$ 3,000
<i>(Savings off individual pricing \$ 457,50)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PowerStarters for NERC Certification Preparation                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Power System Fundamentals</li> <li>– Math for Energy Professionals</li> </ul> </li> <li>• NERC Certification: Exam Preparation Online</li> <li>• Unlimited mentoring including Friday afternoon “office hours”</li> </ul>	

	PRICE
<b>INITIAL OPERATOR TRAINING with NERC Instructor-Led</b>	\$ 3,950
<i>(Savings off individual pricing \$ 457,50)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online courses listed above</li> <li>• NERC Certification: Exam Preparation Instructor-Led</li> <li>• Unlimited mentoring including Friday afternoon “office hours”</li> </ul>	

- SOS NERC Certification: Exam Preparation materials are based on the NERC Certification Content Outline. This information is on the NERC web site at:  
<http://www.nerc.com/pa/Train/SysOpCert/Pages/default.aspx>
- The combination of online and instructor-led NERC exam preparation materials are the best source for exam study. The instructor-led course is not designed as a stand-alone component and its effectiveness is dependent on the online material.
- After NERC exam scores have been added to our University (under the My Info section), NERC Certification: Exam Preparation online will convert to NERC Standards for System Operators for the balance of a 1-year access life.
- NERC online training access can be renewed for 2 three month periods without charge. After two renewals, additional charges will apply.
- ‡ For PER compliance, EO training must be applicable to each individual organization. SOS hours are recommendations only. Please check with your compliance group for eligibility.

### POWERSTARTERS FOR NERC PREP

	PRICE
LEVEL 1	\$ 1,300
LEVEL 2	\$ 1,100
COMPLETE	\$ 2,300

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	COMPLETE
Area Control Error Equation	X		X
Blackout Events	X		X
Critical Infrastructure Protection Version 6	X		X
Effective Communications	X		X
Electric Power Principles		X	X
Electric System Restoration		X	X
FERC Standards of Conduct	X		X
Fundamentals of System Protection		X	X
Geomagnetic Disturbances	X		X
Human Error Prevention	X		X
Math for Energy Professionals	X		X
Power Plant Principles		X	X
Power System Fundamentals	X		X
Reactive Power Fundamentals & Voltage Control	X		X
Reliability and Functional Entities	X		X
Transmission Equipment Principles		X	X
Voltage Control		X	X



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