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NCEES updates specifications for PE Civil exam

NCEES has introduced new specifications for its PE Civil exam, effective with the April 2015 exam administration. Specifications have been updated for all five of the PE Civil exam module options: Construction, Geotechnical, Structural, Transportation, and Water Resources and Environmental.

Exam specifications indicate knowledge areas to be tested and their relative weights of emphasis. As the developer of the exams used for engineering licensure in the United States, NCEES periodically conducts surveys of licensed engineers working in industry, government, private practice, and academia to gather information about the knowledge and skills required of professionals in a particular discipline. NCEES uses the results to update its exam specifications.

“Our licensing exams need to reflect current professional practice, and these surveys help us determine what an engineer intern with four years of experience should be expected to know to protect the public,” said Tim Miller, P.E, the director of exam services at NCEES.

The new specifications are available online at ncees.org. Updated practice exams will be published in November 2014.

ABOUT NCEES

The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying is a nonprofit organization made up of engineering and surveying licensing boards from all U.S. states and territories and the District of Columbia. Since its founding in 1920, NCEES has been committed to advancing licensure for engineers and surveyors in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the U.S. public.

NCEES helps its member licensing boards carry out their duties to regulate the professions of engineering and surveying. It develops best-practice models for state licensure laws and regulations and promotes uniformity among the states. It develops and administers the exams used for engineering and surveying licensure throughout the country. It also provides services to help licensed engineers and surveyors practice their professions in other U.S. states and territories. For more information, please visit ncees.org.