

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY PARTNER TRAINING
THINKBIG SERVICE TECHNICIAN COURSE OUTLINE – spring 2026
HES321 VA33 - ENGINE FUEL SYSTEMS - 3.0 CREDITS (5.5-0-5.5)
88 HOURS FOR 8 WEEKS

Northwestern Polytechnic acknowledges that our campuses are located on Treaty 8 territory, the ancestral and present-day home to many diverse First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, who are the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: With a focus on Caterpillar fuels systems, this course will examine diesel fuel and storage, combination processes, starting aids, the fuel injection system, system service, fuel nozzles and injectors, tune-up and engine performance analysis, and emergency shutdown systems. Electronic fuel and engine management systems will be emphasized.

PREREQUISITE(S)

COREQUISITE:

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Caterpillar Material

Cat Engine Fundamentals

Unit 5: Mechanical Fuel Systems

Lesson 1 – Mechanical Fuel System Components and Operation

Lesson 2 – Remove and Inspect Mechanical Fuel System Components

Fuel Systems

Unit 1: Diesel Fuel

Lesson 1 – Fuel Selection and Maintenance

Lesson 2 – The Basics of Fuels

Unit 2: Fuel Lines and Nozzles

Lesson 1 – Introduction to Nozzles and Fuel Lines

Lesson 2 – Fuel Nozzle Testing

Unit 3: Governors and Fuel Systems

Lesson 1 – Low Pressure Fuel Systems

Lesson 2 – Governors

Lesson 3 – New Scroll Fuel System

Lesson 4 – 3406B/C Timing Advance Unit

Unit 4: 1.1 and 1.2 Mechanical Unit Injection Systems

Lesson 1 – Introduction to 1.1 and 1.2 MUI Fuel Systems

Lesson 2 – Injector Synchronization

Lesson 3 – Fuel Settings

Lesson 4 – Fuel Injector Timing

Unit 5: Electronic Fuel Systems

Lesson 1 – Hydraulic Electronic Unit Injections (HEUI) Fuel Systems

Lesson 2 – Mechanical Electronic Unit Injections (MEUI) Fuel Systems

Lesson 3 – Common Rail Fuel Systems

Machine Specific

Unit 14: Emissions Systems Troubleshooting

Lesson 1 – Emissions Systems Regulations

Lesson 2 – Emissions Systems Technologies

Lesson 3 – Engine Fluid Requirements

Lesson 4 – Pre-Treatment Systems

Lesson 5 – Post-Treatment Systems

Lesson 6 – Electronic Architectures

Lesson 7 – Thermal Management Strategies

Lesson 8 – Operator Interface and Inducement Strategies

Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Individual Learning Modules Heavy Equipment Technician (HET)

190203a – Diesel Fuel and Storage Tanks (Machine & Bulk Storage)

190203b – Combustion Process and Starting Aids

190203c – Fuel System Service

190203d – Basic Mechanical Fuel Injection System

190203e – Advanced Mechanical Fuel Injection Systems

190203f – Basic Diesel Engine & Fuel System Testing & Adjusting

190203g – Emergency Shutdown Systems

190204a – Electronic Fuel System Fundamentals

190204b – Electronically Controlled Fuel Injection Systems

190204c – Electronic Fuel System Diagnosis

190204d – Emission Control/After Treatment Systems

DELIVERY MODE:

In person – Onsite. This course is delivered in person at the NWP Fairview campus.

Note: NWP reserves the right to change the course delivery.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

TRANSFERABILITY: None

GRADING CRITERIA:

Students must complete all required courses with no failing (F) grades. A passing grade in this course is a **minimum of 70%**. Grades for this course will be assigned as a percentage. Failure to achieve a minimum grade of 70% will result in removal from the Think BIG program.

EVALUATION:

Engine Fuel Systems

56 hours

Exams Average = _____ $\times 45\%$

Class Assignments / Quizzes = _____ $\times 30\%$

Shop Total _____ $\times 25\%$

FINAL MARK = _____ %

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Will be posted in the classroom.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

This is an adult education environment. Enrolment at Northwestern Polytechnic assumes that the student will become a responsible citizen of NWP. As such, each student will display a positive work ethic, take pride in, and assist in the maintenance and preservation of Institute property, and assume responsibility for his/her education by researching academic requirements and policies, demonstrating courtesy and respect toward others; and respecting instructor expectations concerning attendance, classroom and shop rules, safety, assignments, deadlines, and appointments. Students are learning skills to prepare them for the work environment. Non-academic misconduct, including the possession, use, or distribution of intoxicants, will be addressed through the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy.

Students are expected to attend all class and shop hours. Students who miss more than 21 hours or 3 days of classes may be removed from the course.

Absences will be monitored and recorded by the instructors.

- Upon reaching 7 hours missed time in a single semester the student will be required to meet with the instructor.
- Upon reaching 14 hours missed time in a single semester the student will be required to meet with the Instructor and Program Chair.
- Upon reaching 21 hours missed time in a single semester the student will be required to meet with the Instructor, Program Chair, and the Dean to evaluate the students' ability to successfully continue in the Think BIG program.

Following the guidelines in "Student Rights and Responsibilities" in the NWP College calendar assist us all in maintaining an adult learning environment. Please refer to the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy in the Northwestern Polytechnic Calendar or at www.nwpolytech.ca/downloads/documents/StudentRightsandResponsibilities.pdf.

STATEMENT ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT:

Academic Misconduct will not be tolerated. For a more precise definition of academic misconduct and its consequences, refer to the Student Rights and Responsibilities policy available at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/about/administration/policies/index.html>

****Note:** all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.