



**STATE BOARD FOR ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING AND GEOLOGY
OFFICE OF THE PROFESSIONS**

89 Washington Avenue – Catalog Room – Albany, NY 12234

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295 Main St., Suite 562 – Buffalo, NY 14203

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1411 Broadway (between 39th & 40th Streets) Tenth Floor – Manhattan

85 Allen Street, Suite 120, Rochester, NY 14608

Thursday, September 10, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

OPEN SESSION AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MARCH 12, 2026 MEETING MINUTES** (*packet pages 3-7*)
- 4. CHAIR / VICE-CHAIR REPORTS**
- 5. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT**
 - a. Board Office Report (*packet pages 8-9*)
 - b. Future Board Activities & Events (*packet page 10*)
 - c. Fraudulent Use of Seals (*packet pages 11-14*)
 - d. Certificates of Authorization (*packet pages 15*)
- 6. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS & ASSOCIATED BUSINESS**
 - a. Professional Engineering
 - i. *Packet pages 16-17*
 - b. Land Surveying
 - i. *Packet pages 18-19*
 - c. Geology
 - i. *Packet pages 20*
 - d. Access and Outreach to the Professions
 - e. Education
 - i. 6/18/26 – Committee Meeting – Education Program Reviews
 - f. Legislation
 - i. Legislative Tracker (*packet pages 21-23*)
 - g. Project Delivery Methods
- 7. CONTINUING BUSINESS**
 - a. Structural Engineering Exam and Licensure
 - b. Experience and Examination Decoupling
 - c. Land Surveyor Licensure Qualifications

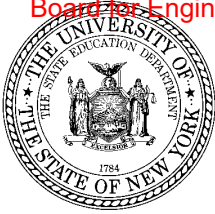
8. NEW BUSINESS

a. 2027 Proposed Board Meetings

- i. Thursday Mar 18th
- ii. Thursday June 17th
- iii. Thursday Sept 9th
- iv. Thursday Dec 9th

9. RESOLUTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

~ 2026 Tentative Remaining Board Meeting: 12/10 – Albany with remote options ~



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Thursday, March 12, 2026 – 9:30 A.M.

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Primary Board Members Present:

- J. Martin, P.E. (Chair)
- B. Holbritter, L.S. (Vice Chair)
- J. Janora, P.G. (remote in Buffalo, NY)
- R. Frandina, P.E., L.S. (remote in Buffalo, NY)
- M. Rygel, P.G.
- T. Mitchell, P.E. (remote in Rochester, NY)
- P. VanHaverbeke, L.S.
- S. Alampalli, P.E.
- D. D'Angelo, P.E.
- G. Marcus, P.E. (remote in Hauppauge, NY), arrived at approximately 9:39 A.M.
- R. Nogle, P.E. (remote in Buffalo, NY)
- S. Porter, L.S.
- R. Watt, P.G. (remote in Buffalo, NY)
- F. Flanagan, L.S. (remote in Hauppauge, NY)

Extended Board Members Present:

- None

Primary Board Members Absent:

- L. Woods, P.E.

Department Personnel:

- E. Greppo – Executive Secretary (ES)
- K. Fitzgerald – Associate in Professional Education
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Visitors:

- R. Alweis, P.E., NYSED Interior Design Board Member (remote in Hauppauge, NY)
- Mark Kriss – NYSSPE
- Mike Burrridge – ACEC NY
- John Nadeau – NYSCPG, departed the meeting at 12:23 P.M.
- Campbell Wallace – NYSCPG, arrived at 10:23 A.M., departed the meeting at 12:23 P.M.

1. Call to Order – Open Session

ES called the Open Session to order at 9:32 A.M.

2. Introductions

Board members, department staff, and visitors provided brief introductions.

3. Meeting Minutes

The Open Session meeting minutes from December 11, 2025, were reviewed.

Motion – Alampalli/Porter: Approve December 11, 2025, meeting minutes pending two (2) terminology corrections.

PASSED, with three (3) abstentions (Vice Chair Holbritter, Member Alampalli and Member Flanagan).

4. Chair Report

Chair Martin said that interviews are being conducted by NYSED for potential future Board Members. Vice Chair Holbritter deferred commentary to committee reports.

5. Executive Secretary Report

- ES has included Board committee activity summary memos in the board packet to improve meeting efficiencies. In future open session packets, all past and upcoming events will be moved to a more centralized tracker.
- Three (3) current P.E. Board Members are slated to conclude their second (2nd) term in 2028. NYSED will attempt to stagger new Board Member appointments over the next few years for succession and knowledge transfer.
- The Public Board Member position remains vacant. ES has reached out to professional associations asking that they notify their clients that the Board Office is soliciting nominations for qualified nominees. The public member must be a consumer of either professional engineering, land surveying, or professional geology services and may not hold interests in the organization, financing, or delivery of interior design services.
- Pages 8-9 of the Open Session packet contains the Board Office Report, including Board Member Reappointments, Education Program Approval, NYSED/OP/Staff Outside Activities, License Statistics, and Office of Professional Discipline action.

6. Professional Engineering (P.E.) Committee Report

Chair Nogle went through the full list of recent past and upcoming meetings, webinars, and events, as listed on page 1 (6.a.) in the Open Session packet. Page 12 contains a summary of the committee meeting held in January 2026.

7. Land Surveying (L.S.) Committee Report

Chair Holbritter shared that he attended an NCEES Examinations for Professional Surveyors (EPS) committee meeting in South Carolina on December 11, 2025. The meeting included a presentation by Dr. Jones of Pearson Vue on exam psychometrics. A NCEES Colonial States Board of Surveyor

Registration (CSBRS) virtual meeting was held on 12/19/2025. A Colonial States exam is maintained for use at the discretion of member states; a follow-up committee meeting will be held during May's NCEES Combined Northeast-Central Interim Zone meeting.

A second Examinations for Professional Surveyors (EPS) committee meeting was held in South Carolina on January 22, 2026, which included discussion of a potential geospatial (non-boundary) exam.

Among other topics, the committee will continue discussion on land surveyor qualifications for wetland mapping. The full list of recent past and upcoming meetings, webinars, conferences, workshops, and presentations are listed on pages 1-2 (6.b.) in the Open Session packet. Pages 13-16 contain a summary of the committee meetings held in January and March 2026.

8. Professional Geology (P.G.) Committee Report

Chair Watt remarked that a committee meeting was held in January 2026. He provided updates on draft licensure qualifying education guidance (packet page 17). Two outreach committee meetings were held with NYSCPG in January and March 2026, in part to optimize collaboration on common initiatives. Streamlining NYSED Licensure Qualifying education institution Forms 20T and 20F were discussed during the March 2026 committee meeting (packet page 18). The full list of recent past and upcoming meetings, workshops, and conferences is listed on page 2 (6.c.) in the Open Session packet.

ES shared that the career pages for all four (4) professions are under update.

9. Access & Outreach to the Professions Committee Report

In Chair Woods absence, ES noted that many of the outreach activities are interwoven though committee work. Municipality facilitated outreach work continues in committee.

10. Education Committee Report

Chair Mitchell reported that the department approved a new B.S. Civil Engineering program at New York Institute of Technology. Additional details on programs currently under review will be shared in Executive Session.

11. Legislation Committee Report

Chair Janora commented that the committee did not hold a committee meeting since the last board meeting and continues to monitor legislation.

Pages 19-20 in the open session packet contain the legislative tracker. Briefly mentioned bills include S6202C/A2571A related to grandfathered corporations, S6482/A5622 related to 12-year geology ladder, S7263/A6545A related to chatbots and S4591/A7379 with S5364/A6269, both related to indemnification.

12. Project Delivery Methods Committee Report

Chair D'Angelo commented that no committee meetings have been held since the last Board meeting. The committee is monitoring NYS legislation and budget bill, along with transportation at the national level. Member D'Angelo discussed ongoing business associated with his role on the Transportation Research Board.

13. Break

Open session adjourned for a break at 10:58 A.M. and resumed at 11:08 A.M.

14. Continuing Business

- i. **Fraudulent Use of Seals:** ES included a reference article (pages 26-30 in the open session packet) that discusses the risks of unauthorized use of an architect's or engineer's seal. ES reported that NCEES will be assembling a committee or task force to look at this issue, and he expects to hear more at the upcoming Zone meeting.
- ii. **ICOR Practice Overlap Report:** ES solicited high-level thoughts and concerns from the Board, particularly from a public protection perspective. He will develop a draft based on the comments made and will circulate it to the Board for review. The report can be found on pages 32-129 in the open session packet. Of note, the report did not include Professional Geology as part of the practice overlap guidance. Portions of the report do not appear to align with NYS statute on scope of practice.
- iii. **Experience and Examination Decoupling, along with Land Surveyor Licensure Qualifications (new business):** ES reviewed the current NYS Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) requirements and requested board comment on the existing configurations. He also commented that public health/safety/welfare must be considered with all recommendations (e.g., will changes create harm). Board Members provided questions and comments related to the general decoupling of experience and examination. The ES noted that applicants are applying to other jurisdictions to take their licensure exams before completing their licensure qualifying experience. Board Members discussed the potential benefits and drawbacks of decoupling, including public perception and the impact on professional growth. Members noted the importance of maintaining high licensure standards and the need to justify any changes to the current requirements.

Motion – Holbritter/Martin: The L.S. committee will review the Land Surveyor Routes for Admission to the F.S., P.S., and NYS-Specific Examinations and provide recommendations to the Department as appropriate (p. 130 open session packet).

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion – Martin/ Alampalli: The P.E. and P.G. committees will each discuss examination and experience decoupling and provide recommendations to the Department as appropriate .

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. New Business, continued

- i. **NCEES Member Board Administrator (MBA) on NCEES Board of Directors:** ES solicited Board feedback on NCEES proposing adding an MBA position to the Board of Directors. Discussion noted that not every MBA is licensed and many jurisdictions, including New York, may not be able to participate due to conflicts of interest. The discussion also considered whether this position would utilize an existing Board position or create a new one. ES will send summary of feedback and conversation will be tabled until more information has been received from NCEES.
- ii.
- iii. **Certificates of Authorization (CoA):** ES will develop draft licensee awareness correspondence regarding CoA's. Information on the 'Industrial Exemption' may be referenced for P.E. related outreach. The draft will be circulated via email for Board comment.

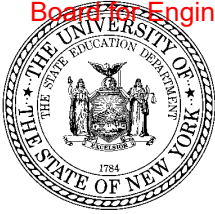
16. Resolution for Executive Session and Adjournment

Motion – Porter/Holbriiter: Move to adjourn open session at 12:50 P.M and move to Executive Session following a 10-minute break.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Greppo
Executive Secretary



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Board Office Report – September 2026

1. BOARD OF REGENTS BOARD MEMBER REAPPOINTMENTS:

- a. Jose Fememia, P.E. – Extended Member – 6/1/26 – 5/31/31
- b. Keith Giles, P.E., L.S. – Extended Member – 6/1/26 – 5/31/31
- c. Ramon Garcia, P.E. – Primary Member – 7/14/26 – 7/13/2031
- d. Mary Ann Sorrentino – Primary (Public) Member – 7/14/26 – 7/13/2031

2. LICENSES:

- a. P.E. Application Queue
 - 69 (8/28/26)
- b. New Licensees YTD (8/28/26)
 - P.E.: 1,148
 - L.S.: 26
 - P.G.: 16
- c. Registered (active) Licensees (7/1/26)
 - a. P.E.: 35,949
 - b. L.S.: 1,383
 - c. P.G.: 1,080

3. EDUCATION PROGRAM APPROVALS (*packet pages 24-31*):

- a. SUNY Albany – Mechanical and Mechatronic Engineering
- b. SUNY Albany – Mechanical and Design Engineering
- c. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute – Robotics Engineering B.S.
- d. NYU – BS Biomedical Engineering
- e. Siena University – Engineering Physics

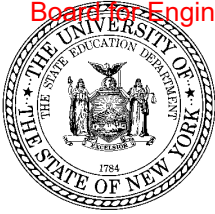
4. NYSED/OP/STAFF OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES:

- a. 4/7/26 – Ethics Presentation w/ ACEC-NY – virtual
 - Participant: Greppo
- b. 4/8/26 – Ethics Presentation w/ NYSCPG – virtual
 - Participant: Greppo
- c. 4/10 to 4/11/26 – NYS Specific Exam Prep Workshop – NYSAPLS – Saratoga, NY
 - Participants: Greppo, Holbritter, Flanagan, Porter, Vanhaverbeke
- d. 4/15/26 – NYSCPG – Application Prep Course – Virtual
 - Participants: Greppo, Watt
- e. 4/25/26 – Colonial States (CSBSR) Meeting – Virtual
 - Participant: Holbritter
- f. 5/6/26 – Student Outreach Presentation w/ NYSCPG
 - Participant: Greppo
- g. 5/12/26 – ASCE NYS Council Convention Presentation – Albany, NY
 - Participants: Greppo

- h. **5/14/26 – Colonial States (CSBSR) Meeting – virtual**
 - Participants: Greppo, Holbritter, Martin
- i. **5/14 to 5/16/26 – NCEES Central/Northeast Zone Interim Meeting – Columbus, OH**
 - Participants: Alampalli, Greppo, Holbritter, Martin, Nogle
- j. **8/17/26 – Colonial States (CSBSR) Meeting – Henderson, NV**
 - Participants: Greppo, Holbritter
- k. **8/18 to 8/21/26 – NCEES Annual Meeting – Henderson, NV**
 - Participants: Greppo, Holbritter, Martin, Nogle, Jean-Lewis (OPD), Woods

5. OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE:

- a. **David William Tiegs; Collegeville, PA**
 - **Profession: Professional Engineer; Lic. No. 090661; Cal. No. 35258**
 - **Regents Action Date: July 13, 2026**
 - **Action: Application for consent order granted; Penalty agreed upon.**
 - **Penalty agreed upon: Censure and reprimand, \$2,500 fine.**
 - **Summary: Licensee did not contest the charge of failing to timely report disciplinary action taken by the Maryland Department of Labor on an application for licensure as a professional engineer in the State of New York.**



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FUTURE BOARD EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

September 2026

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING

- a. 9/27-9/29/26 – ACEC-NY – Fall Conference – Fairport, NY
- b. 10/15/26 – NYSSPE – Ethics Presentation – Saratoga, NY
- c. 10/29/26 – NYSSPE – Application Preparation - Virtual
- d. 1/31 to 2/2/27 – ACEC-NY Winter Conference – Albany, NY
- e. 2/11 to 2/12/27 – Engineers Week Conference – Virtual
- f. 4/22 to 4/24/27 – NCEES Zone Meeting – Omaha, NE
- g. 8/18 to 8/21/27 – NCEES Annual Meeting – Verona, NY

LAND SURVEYING

- a. 9/18/26 – NYS Specific L.S. Exam
- b. 10/8/26 – Committee Meeting
- c. 10/13/26 – Committee Meeting – Sept NYS Specific Exam Results Review
- d. 11/2 to 11/3 – NYS Specific Exam Prep Workshop – NYSAPLS – Saratoga, NY
- e. 1/25 to 1/27/27 – NYSAPLS Conference – *NYSED Application Prep Presentation on 1/27*

PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGY

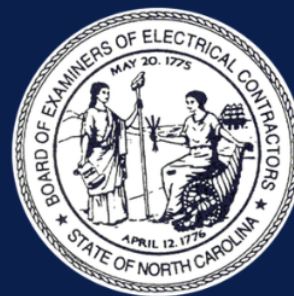
- a. 11/11 to 11/13/26 – Geology Days – *NYSED Presentation on 11/12*
- b. 10/27 to 10/28/26 – ASBOG Admin Workshop & Annual Meeting – Hershey, PA & virtual
- c. 3/11 to 3/14/27 – NEGSA – Saratoga Springs, NY

Consumer Alert: Be Cautious When Hiring Freelancers Online

Freelancing websites don't always verify professional licenses,
so **make sure you do.**

Upwork, Fiverr, Freelancer, and other popular websites allow anyone to advertise engineering, surveying, architectural, or home design services but may not verify if they are properly licensed.

Taking a few extra precautions now can help you avoid costly mistakes later.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, July 17, 2026

Contact: comms@ncdoj.gov

919-538-2809

RALEIGH — The North Carolina Department of Justice, North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors, and the North Carolina Board of Architecture and Interior Designers are warning consumers to be careful when they use freelancing websites such as Upwork, Fiverr, and Freelancer to hire professional engineering, surveying, architectural, or home design services. These popular platforms allow anyone to advertise their services but may not verify if they are properly licensed.

In some cases, bad actors have falsely claimed to be licensed, fraudulently used professional seals and signatures to appear legitimate, and then delivered substandard or unsafe work. When an unlicensed person uses someone else's professional seal, it becomes nearly impossible for homeowners, contractors, or local officials to verify who performed the work or whether it meets safety standards.

*“More people are turning to online platforms to hire professional services, and scammers are taking advantage of that,” said **Attorney General Jeff Jackson**. “Always do your research before paying for services and verify licenses and credentials to make sure you’re hiring a professional. Also, if subcontractors are doing work (particularly on large, municipal projects), make sure to verify the licenses and credentials of the subcontractors.”*

Hiring an unlicensed person to perform work on your home puts you and your property at risk. Poorly prepared plans or inaccurate surveys can lead to costly construction errors, unsafe conditions, violations of local permitting requirements, and potential civil liability.

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“Licensure exists to protect the public, and that protection breaks down when someone misuses another professional’s seal,” said **Andrew Ritter, Executive Director of the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors**. *“A professional license ensures that national and local minimum competency standards have been met. Before you hire someone you found online to design a structure, survey a property, or draw up a set of plans, take a few minutes to verify if they are licensed. Verification is free, it’s easy, and it could save you from a costly or dangerous mistake.”*

“The North Carolina Board of Architecture and Registered Interior Designers, after investigating an alarming number of cases involving scams and public harm related to these sites, strongly urges consumers to do their research and verify proper licensure of those claiming they are offering or rendering architectural services,” said **Cathe M. Monte Carlo, Executive Director of the North Carolina Board of Architecture and Registered Interior Designers**. *“The Board recommends contacting staff directly at 919-268-7293 or ncba@ncbarch.org to verify licensure as well as confirm the architect’s contact information. The mission of the Board is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of North Carolina.”*

Before you hire anyone for services on a freelancing website, make sure they are qualified for the job. Verify a person’s license through the **[North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors](#)** or the **[North Carolina Board of Architecture](#)**.

If you believe you have been misled by someone advertising or performing licensed home design or technical services, or if you suspect that someone is misusing a professional seal, report it to the **[North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors](#)** or the **[North Carolina Board of Architecture](#)**.

Notice to the Public - Fraudulent Engineering & Surveying Work from Online Marketplaces

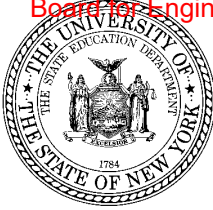
The Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors has seen a significant rise in the number of reports of fraudulently sealed engineering and surveying work being offered through online marketplaces offering freelance services. Examples of these types of websites are Fiverr, Upwork, and others. Some of the postings on these sites for engineering or surveying work appear to be offered by non-licensed individuals, sometimes located out of the country. They advertise they can provide engineering or surveying work and then provide 'signed and sealed work' that bears a fraudulent seal of a Texas engineer or land surveyor, or a completely made-up individual, who was not ever involved in the project. If you choose to use one of these websites to obtain engineering or surveying services for projects in Texas, please use extreme caution and take steps to verify the legitimacy of the professional engineer or registered professional land surveyor prior to moving forward with the transaction. If you become aware of a situation where unlicensed individuals are offering engineering services or fraudulent seals/signatures are being used through one of the online marketplace sites, please contact the Board to file a complaint.

§7210. Certificates of authorization.

1. Domestic or foreign professional service corporations, design professional service corporations, professional service limited liability companies, foreign professional service limited liability companies, registered limited liability partnerships, New York registered foreign limited liability partnerships, partnerships and joint enterprises specified in subdivision four of section seventy-two hundred nine of this article, provided each of the foregoing entities is authorized to provide professional engineering, land surveying or professional geology services and general business corporations authorized to provide professional engineering or land surveying services pursuant to subdivision six of section seventy-two hundred nine of this article may offer to provide or provide professional engineering, land surveying or professional geology services only after obtaining a certificate of authorization from the department. Except as otherwise authorized by statute, rule or regulation, other business entities are not authorized to offer or provide professional engineering, land surveying or professional geology services and may not obtain certificates of authorization provided that nothing contained herein shall prohibit an individual who is licensed to practice professional engineering, land surveying or professional geology under this article from obtaining a certificate of authorization upon application and payment of the appropriate fees provided for under this section
2. Upon application a certificate of authorization shall be issued by the department to all individuals, corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, partnerships and joint enterprises specified in subdivision one of this section and which are authorized to provide professional engineering or land surveying services and pay the appropriate fee.
3. A "certificate of authorization" shall authorize such individual, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, partnership or joint enterprise to provide professional engineering or land surveying services for three years from the date of issuance subject to, as otherwise prescribed by law, the supervision of the regents of the university of the state of New York including the power to discipline and impose penalties in the same manner and to the same extent as is provided with respect to individuals and their licenses and registration pursuant to this title.
4. An application, triennial renewal, delinquent or replacement certificate fee must accompany the "certificate of authorization" request in the amount shown below. A business entity that fails to renew its certificate of authorization before the expiration date shall be required to pay the additional delinquent fee for late filing of ten dollars for each full month it has practiced after the expiration of its certificate of authorization
 - Application fee and first triennial certificate of authorization - \$125.00;
 - Triennial renewal fee - \$75.00;
 - Delinquent fee - \$10.00 per month of practice without a certificate of authorization;
 - Replacement certificate fee - \$10.00.

All checks shall be made payable to the state department of education, state of New York and submitted to the department. If a business enterprise is not eligible to receive a "certificate of authorization", the fee will be retained to cover the costs of processing. Triennial renewal fees for all "certificates of authorization" are due and payable on or before the filing date of each triennial registration period.

5. The department shall compile a registry of the holders of all certificates of authorization. Such registry shall include the name and address of all registrants, state whether a certificate of authorization has been issued, denied, suspended, or revoked, and disclose whether the certificate is current or expired. Access to the registry shall be made available electronically without cost. A record search of the registry may be obtained in person or by mail provided that a fee of ten dollars shall be paid for each putative registrant.



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PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented at the September 2026 Board Meeting

6/24/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee discussed several current regulatory, examination, and professional-practice matters. Updates were provided regarding the NCEES Structural Engineering examination, including concerns regarding significantly lower pass rates following the transition to computer-based testing. The Committee also discussed proposed NCEES initiatives related to structural engineering licensure and significant structures.

Additional discussion focused on professional-practice issues involving stormwater pollution prevention plans (SWPPPs), engineering services associated with energy service companies (ESCOs) and energy performance contracting, and the appropriate use of engineering terminology in connection with assistive technology professionals. The Committee discussed potential Board participation in the ASCE Mentor Program as an opportunity for outreach to students interested in engineering.

The Committee continued its discussion of decoupling the PE examination from the experience requirement, including considerations related to endorsement applicants from jurisdictions that have already adopted decoupling.

7/24/26 – Committee Meeting (with L.S. committee)

The Committee (with the L.S. Committee) jointly reviewed the proposed NCEES motions in preparation for the Annual Meeting, with particular attention to their consistency with New York's existing licensure requirements. Discussion included professional reference requirements for land surveyors, the administrative burden associated with maintaining and reverifying professional references, and the potential for model-rule language to create confusion for New York applicants.

The Committees also discussed the implications of decoupling examination eligibility from the licensure process and the importance of clearly distinguishing NCEES model provisions from individual state requirements. Additional discussion addressed the proposed professional competency profile for land surveyors and NCEES initiatives concerning structural engineering and the definition of significant structures.

Following review, the Committee identified several items to be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion at the NCEES Annual Meeting. These items generally involved provisions that may conflict with, or could be interpreted inconsistently with, New York's current laws, regulations, or licensing practices.

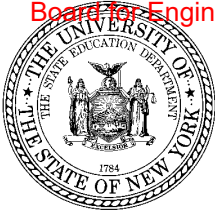
8/31/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee reviewed several current policy, regulatory, and professional-practice matters. The Committee discussed recent NCEES Annual Meeting outcomes, including developments related to

structural engineering licensure and model law and rule provisions. Members also continued discussion of decoupling examination eligibility from education and experience requirements, with additional consideration planned regarding potential implications for New York's licensure pathways.

The Committee discussed emerging NYS local credentialing and regulatory initiatives and rulemaking. Attention was given to avoiding parallel credentialing or licensure systems with potential overlap with New York State professional licensure requirements. The Committee also discussed ABET accreditation and elements related to licensure mobility.

Additional discussion addressed the evaluation of construction management experience for engineering licensure and the Department's continuing education policies. Operational and staffing updates were also provided in advance of the upcoming full Board meeting.



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LAND SURVEYING COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented at the September 2026 Board Meeting

4/9/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee reviewed results and item performance from the winter offering of the New York State Specific Land Surveying examination. The Committee examined overall candidate performance, including differences between first-time and repeat examinees, and reviewed individual questions with unusually high or low item difficulty. Items were reviewed and the Committee will use the analysis to inform development of future examinations.

5/28/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee continued development of the September New York State Specific Land Surveying Examination, reviewing and selecting questions for inclusion and for pretesting to support responsible expansion of the examination item bank. Discussion emphasized maintaining an appropriate balance of difficulty, relevance, and minimum competency while ensuring that examination content appropriately assesses knowledge specific to professional land surveying practice in New York. The Committee discussed item development and review process.

6/3/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee reviewed challenges from the winter offering of the New York State Specific Land Surveying examination.

6/17/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee continued development and review of the September 2026 New York State Specific Land Surveying Exam, focusing on selecting and refining questions. Members reviewed both existing item performance and newly developed questions to ensure that questions accurately test New York laws, regulations, professional practice, and ethical obligations. The Committee emphasized the importance of clear, unambiguous wording, defensible answer choices, and effective distractors.

6/30/26 – Committee Meeting

The meeting discussed wetland delineation and the role of land surveyors and engineers. Issues were highlighted to discuss wetland delineators using handheld devices to locate wetlands and producing shape files. The importance of accurate wetland boundaries for public health and safety was emphasized. The board discussed wetland boundaries in the context of real property boundaries.

7/23/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee discussed the qualifications for the Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) and Practice of Surveying (PS) exams. They discussed the education and experience requirements for the various licensure routes.

7/24/26 – Committee Meeting (with P.E. Committee)

The Committee (with the P.E. Committee) jointly reviewed the proposed NCEES motions in preparation for the Annual Meeting, with particular attention to their consistency with New York's existing licensure requirements. Discussion included professional reference requirements for land surveyors, the administrative burden associated with maintaining and reverifying professional references, and the potential for model-rule language to create confusion for New York applicants.

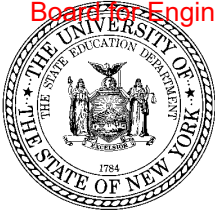
The Committees also discussed the implications of decoupling examination eligibility from the licensure process and the importance of clearly distinguishing NCEES model provisions from individual state requirements. Additional discussion addressed the proposed professional competency profile for land surveyors and NCEES initiatives concerning structural engineering and the definition of significant structures.

Following review, the Committee identified several items to be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion at the NCEES Annual Meeting. These items generally involved provisions that may conflict with, or could be interpreted inconsistently with, New York's current laws, regulations, or licensing practices.

9/1/26 – Committee Meeting

The committee discussed the concepts of apprenticeship programs as they may relate to various licensed professions. The NYS DOL's apprenticeship model was highlighted, emphasizing formal training relationships between employers and employees.

The Committee also further discussed licensing examination qualifications, focusing on experience and education requirements.



**STATE BOARD FOR ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING AND GEOLOGY
OFFICE OF THE PROFESSIONS**

PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented at the September 2026 Board Meeting

6/10/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee discussed the existing education and experience qualifications for the FG and PG exams. A representative of ASBOG joined the discussion to inform the board on matters related to their administered examinations. Guidance was discussed as it relates to Licensure Qualifying (LQ) education program course content stipulated in the NYSED Commissioner's Regulations. Additional conversation discussed applicant experience reviews and licensure application forms.

6/15/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee discussed the existing education and experience qualifications for the FG and PG exams. Additional conversation discussed applicant experience reviews and licensure application forms.

8/11/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee reviewed two (2) education program applications from universities seeking recognition of their geology programs as licensure-qualifying (LQ). The review focused on whether proposed coursework appropriately satisfies the required geology content areas and crediting requirements.

The Committee also continued its review of proposed guidance for LQ course content.

The Committee discussed concerns regarding professional geology services being provided through entities that may not have the required authorization to offer professional services in New York. Additional outreach and coordination opportunities will be discussed to inform the public of these requirements.

9/2/26 – Committee Meeting

The Committee continued review of two (2) education program applications. Key discussed points included the need for clear course categorization.

Additional Committee conversation discussed applicant experience reviews and future outreach planning.

Board for Engineering, Land Surveying & Geology

Bill Number (25-26 Session)			
Assembly Link	Senate Link	Status	Summary Text
A5713	No Senate Bill	Assembly Committee	Requires professional engineers, land surveyors and professional geologists to report structural faults within forty-eight hours.
A1453	No Senate Bill	Assembly Committee	Creates a citizen advisory panel consisting of six permanent and three rotating members to prepare a report on any application for certificate of any major electric generating facilities .
A483	S5392	Passed Senate (2/26/26) Assembly Committee	Business Entities - Not-for-Profits - Permits certain not-for-profit corporations engaged in engineering for certain conservation efforts to do business or provide professional engineering, land surveying or professional geology services in the state
A2571C	S620C	Assembly Committee Passed Senate (2/5/26)	Relates to the practice of professional geology. Adds practice of geology to grandfathered corporations.
A4907A	S2146A	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Provides statute of limitations (repose) for design professions. Repeals and reenacts statute of limitation provisions on wrongful death, personal injury and property damage actions against professional engineers, architects, landscape architects, land surveyors and construction contractors to provide for a limitations period of ten years after completion of improvement to real property; "completion", which constitutes the accrual date for the limitations period, is defined; provides for a one year extension for injuries to person or property or wrongful death which occur during the tenth year after completion.
A6506	S1533	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Inspections - Requires the commissioner of environmental conservation to establish standards for and a program of inspection and certification of green roofs prior to and after installation, including standards for environmentally acceptable chemical fertilizers and the testing of runoff water for evidence of such fertilizers...
A4840A	S9673	Passed Assembly (5/4/26) Passed Senate (5/13/26)	Certified Interior Designer Standards - Relates to the educational and examination requirements for certification as a certified interior designer;
No Assembly Bill	S3268	Senate Committee	Relates to comprehensive delivery of infrastructure delivered between a public entity and a development entity consolidating at least two or more of design, construction, finance, operations and/or maintenance work, including construction manager or construction manager at risk; authorizes a public entity to pursue certain authorized projects; provides for project funding and authorizes the public entity to accept from any source any grant, donation, gift or other form of conveyance of land, money; provides for labor and public interest protections; makes related provisions.
A4942	S3287	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Engineering Technology Experience Requirements. Provides that an applicant with a bachelor's degree or higher in engineering technology and an applicant with a bachelor's degree or higher in engineering shall have the same number of education and experience credit requirements, shall have the same eligibility for an identification card as "an engineer in training", as well as examination and examination eligibility requirements.
No Assembly Bill	S3038	Senate Committee	Enacts the " private well testing act "; authorizes the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to establish standards for the testing of drinking water from privately owned wells.
A902	S2588	Senate Committee Assembly Committee	Authorizes the provision of site mapping for emergency response data with school safety plans; provides for the funding of such mapping data.
A4680	S8840	Assembly Committee advanced to third reading in Senate, then committed to Senate Rules 6/5/26	Enacts the New York emergency responder act limiting the liability of certain emergency responders.
A3810	No Senate Bill	Assembly Committee	Requires specific review procedures for approval of development projects in marshlands by the city planning commission including site plans, surveys, environmental review and community hearings and input.
A5520	S4577	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) - Requires public authorities to negotiate with most qualified architectural and engineering professional firms before negotiating with other firms
A2646	S5190	Senate Committee Assembly Committee	Provides for the trustees of the state university of New York to establish a four-year college of engineering and applied sciences in the city of Yonkers within the state university system.

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Assembly Link	Senate Link	Status	Summary Text
A7379	S4591	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Relates to the Liability of Design Professionals. Prohibits broad indemnification by a design professional of a state or local agency or political subdivision involving public work for contracts except to the extent that damages were caused by or are the proximate result of the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional.
A6269	S5364	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Prohibits broad indemnification by a design professional of a state or local agency or political subdivision involving public work for contracts except to the extent that damages were caused by or the result of the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional.
No Assembly Bill	S4877	Senate Committee	Establishes the water-based fire protection licensure act, setting forth licensure requirements for contractors engaged in the business of the layout, installing, repairing, inspecting, testing, or maintaining of water-based fire protection systems and components.
A5622	S6482	Passed Senate (3/30/2026) Passed Assembly (6/1/2026)	12-Year Ladder Bill for Geology - Provides that the education requirements to be licensed as a professional geologist may be partially substituted by practical experience; relates to the issuance of an identification card as a geologist in training.
A5678	No Senate Bill	Assembly Committee	Increases to \$50,000 the cost of the construction of a building, structure or public work, above which a professional engineer, land surveyor or architect must be utilized to plan and supervise the construction thereof.
A5838	No Senate Bill	Assembly Committee	Requires municipalities which issue building permits to provide pre-approved construction documents at no cost for the types of residential buildings permitted to be constructed in such jurisdiction.
A6529	S9375	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Relates to fire suppression systems and licensing professionals to perform authorized work on fire suppression systems. This act provides for the establishment of minimum standards for licensure of water-based fire protection system installation, servicing, repairing, inspecting, testing, and maintenance. It establishes penalties for improper business practices and prohibits unlicensed activities.
A7051	S7846	Senate Committee Assembly Committee	Relates to redefining science, technology, engineering and math education (STEM).
No Assembly Bill	S5481	Senate Committee	Provides that where mandatory continuing education programs are offered through electronic or other remote means where the licensee must provide proof of attendance by responding to a visual or auditory prompt in the program, such program shall conform to the most recent guidelines for website content accessibility guidelines.
No Assembly Bill	S7104	Senate Committee	Relates to false statements in documents submitted to the department of buildings of the city of New York.
A7561	S7220	Signed by Governor (11/21/25)	Relates to continuing education requirements for landscape architects.
A7675A	S7217A	Assembly Committee Senate Committee	Authorizes a city, town or village to establish a program whereby a building permit may be issued based upon certification by a registered architect or professional engineer.
A357B	S3799C	Signed by Governor (12/5/25)	Provides an owner or lessee access to adjoining property to make improvements or repairs for certain circumstances.
A9457	S8761	Signed by Governor (2/13/26)	Relates to certain conditions for a grant of permission for access to adjoining property to make improvements or repairs.
A6545A	S7263	Assembly Committee Senate Rules Committee (reached 3rd reading)	Imposes liability for damages caused by a chatbot impersonating certain licensed professionals.

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Assembly Link	Senate Link	Status	Summary Text
A675	S1086	Senate floor/third reading calendar, then was recommitted to Rules 6/5/26 Assembly Committee	Relates to enacting the empire state licensing act; repealer
A5960	S2717	Senate Committee Assembly Committee	Enacts into law components of legislation relating to the "Military Spouse Act"
A9658 / A6994	S2600	Senate Committee Assembly Committee (A6994 was stricken 9/8/25 and was effectively replaced by A9658)	Waives certain licensure fees for veterans
A10978	S9601	Senate Committee Assembly Committee	Continues the New York state geological survey as a bureau within the New York state science service
A11573	S10625	Senate Rules Committee Rules Committee	Relates to construction and mentoring programs
A11476	S10558	Passed Senate (6/3/2026) Passed Assembly (6/2/2026)	Expands what qualifies as an authorized project for the "county of Westchester public works investment act" to include replacing certain bridges.



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July 16, 2026

Linda G. Mills
President
New York University
70 Washington Square South
New York, NY 10012

Dear President Mills:

This letter is in response to the request to register a Bachelor of Science program in Biomedical Engineering to be offered at New York University.

I am pleased to inform you that on the basis of our review the program detailed on the attached listing from the Inventory of Registered Programs is registered for professional purposes under Subchapter A of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (Chapter II of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York) until September 1, 2027. Registration beyond this date is contingent upon the University seeking to obtain ABET/EAC accreditation as soon as feasible and providing yearly progress reports, due on October 1, that includes information/updates on new/refurbished facilities, faculty hiring, student enrollment, and progress toward achieving ABET accreditation.

New registration is required for any existing curriculum in which major changes are made that affect its title, focus, design, requirements for completion, or mode of delivery. Therefore, prior to initiating significant changes to this program, please contact this office.

I wish you and your colleagues success with the program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mei Zhou".

Mei Zhou, Ph.D.
Director

Attachment

cc: T. Weech

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
INVENTORY OF REGISTERED PROGRAMS
REGISTRATION CHANGE REPORT

07/16/2026

453000 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY-MAIN

PROG

CODE PROGRAM TITLE

HEGIS

AWARD

45378 BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

0905.00

BS

FORMAT ADDED - STD

TAP ELIGIBLE -

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VTA ELIGIBLE -

CERT/LICENSE ADDED - PROF ENGINEER TYPE = LIC QUAL 07/2026

PROGRAM ADDED - REG DATE = 07/2026



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August 13, 2026

Martin A. Schmidt
President
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
110 8th Street
Troy, NY 12180

Dear President Schmidt:

This letter is in response to the request to register the *Robotics Engineering* program leading to the Bachelor of Science degree to be offered at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

I am pleased to inform you that on the basis of our review the program detailed on the attached listing from the Inventory of Registered Programs is registered for professional purposes under Subchapter A of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (Chapter II of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York) until September 1, 2027. Registration beyond this date is contingent upon the Institute seeking to obtain ABET/EAC accreditation as soon as feasible and providing yearly progress reports on the program that includes information/updates on new/refurbished facilities, faculty and staff, and preparations for ABET evaluation. Please forward a copy of the final accreditation report for the program.

New registration is required for any existing curriculum in which major changes are made that affect its title, focus, design, requirements for completion, or mode of delivery. Therefore, prior to initiating significant changes in the program, please contact this office.

I wish you and your colleagues success with the program.

Sincerely,

Mei Zhou, Ph.D.
Director

Attachment

cc: D. Nevo, J. Wen

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
INVENTORY OF REGISTERED PROGRAMS
REGISTRATION CHANGE REPORT

08/13/2026

459500 RENSSELAER POLYTECH INST

PROG

CODE PROGRAM TITLE

HEGIS

AWARD

45441 ROBOTICS ENGINEERING

4904.00

BS

FORMAT ADDED - STD

TAP ELIGIBLE -

APTS ELIGIBLE -

VTA ELIGIBLE -

CERT/LICENSE ADDED - PROF ENGINEER TYPE = LIC QUAL 08/2026

PROGRAM ADDED - REG DATE = 08/2026



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July 14, 2026

Charles Seifert
President
Siena University
515 Loudon Road
Loudonville NY 12211

Dear President Seifert:

This letter is in response to the request to register a Bachelor of Science program in *Engineering Physics* to be offered at Siena University. This required a master plan amendment which was approved at the July 2026 Board of Regents meeting.

I am pleased to inform you that on the basis of our review the program detailed on the attached listing from the Inventory of Registered Programs is registered for professional purposes under Subchapter A of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (Chapter II of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York) until September 1, 2027. Registration beyond this date is contingent upon the University seeking to obtain ABET/EAC accreditation as soon as feasible and providing yearly progress reports, due on October 1, that includes information/updates on new/refurbished facilities, faculty hiring, student enrollment, and progress toward achieving ABET accreditation.

New registration is required for any existing curriculum in which any changes are made that affect its title, focus, design, requirements for completion, or mode of delivery. Therefore, prior to initiating any changes in this program, please contact this office.

I wish you and your colleagues success with the program.

Sincerely,

Mei Zhou, Ph.D.
Director

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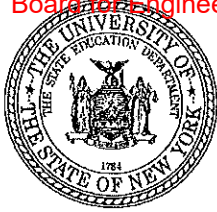
cc: A. Savage

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REGISTRATION CHANGE REPORT

07/14/2026

470000 SIENA UNIVERSITY

PROG CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	HEGIS	AWARD
45366	ENGINEERING PHYSICS	0919.00	BS
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TAP ELIGIBLE -			
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March 26, 2026

Dr. Melur K. (Ram) Ramasubramanian
Provost
State University of New York
State University Plaza
Albany, NY 12246

Dear Dr. Ramasubramanian:

This letter is in response to the correspondence requesting registration of Bachelor of Science programs in *Mechanical and Mechatronic Engineering* and *Mechanical and Design Engineering* to be offered at the State University of New York at Albany.

I am pleased to inform you that on the basis of our review the programs detailed on the attached listing from the Inventory of Registered Programs are registered for professional purposes under Subchapter A of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education (Chapter II of Title 8 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York) until September 1, 2027. Registration beyond this date is contingent upon the University seeking to obtain ABET accreditation as soon as feasible and providing yearly progress reports on the program that includes information/updates on the following: new/refurbished facilities, faculty and staff hiring, student enrollment, and progress toward achieving ABET accreditation.

New registration is required for any existing curriculum in which any changes are made that affect its title, focus, design, requirements for completion, or mode of delivery. Therefore, prior to initiating any changes in these programs, please contact this office.

I wish you and your colleagues success with the programs.

Sincerely,

Mei Zhou, Ph.D.
Director

Attachment

cc: President Rodriguez, Dr. Kim, Dr. Cantaffa, Dr. Dahn, K. Beachner

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
INVENTORY OF REGISTERED PROGRAMS
REGISTRATION CHANGE REPORT

03/26/2026

210500 SUNY ALBANY

PROG CODE	PROGRAM TITLE	HEGIS	AWARD
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45111	MECHANICAL AND DESIGN ENGINEERING	0910.00	BS
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	PROGRAM ADDED - REG DATE = 03/2026		
45112	MECHANICAL AND MECHATRONIC ENGINEERING	0910.00	BS
	FORMAT ADDED - STD		
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