INCOSE Announcement

New Academic Equivalency Agreement with Weber State University
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The International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE) is excited to announce that Weber State University (WSU) has courses recognized as equivalent to the certification knowledge exam for Associate Systems Engineering Professional (ASEP) and Certified Systems Engineering Professional (CSEP) certification.

Students who do well in university courses that have been assessed to have Academic Equivalence (AcEq) are allowed to bypass the certification knowledge exam when applying for ASEP and CSEP Certification. The assessments they complete through their coursework have been recognized by the INCOSE Certification Program's volunteer reviewers as an equivalent alternative to the standardized test developed by INCOSE.

Founded in 1889, WSU provides transformative educational experiences and high-quality degrees while serving the surrounding community in Utah. Its strategic location provides access to key aerospace and defense industry companies, ensuring that students learn the standards, foundations, and skills that they can immediately apply. This proximity to industry leaders fosters valuable partnerships, internship opportunities, and real-world learning experiences.

WSU's Master of Science in Systems Engineering (MSSE) is a 100% online degree with affordable tuition and seasoned faculty with decades of industry experience. Course SE 6010 will now allow students to become INCOSE SEP certified over the course of 16 weeks.

Members of INCOSE's Academic Council are eligible to offer Academic Equivalency upon recognition by the INCOSE Certification Program. Candidates who apply through AcEq must still meet all other INCOSE certification requirements, including individual membership and payment of application fees.

Any university wishing to participate in this program needs to be a member of the INCOSE Corporate Advisory Board (CAB) or the local INCOSE chapter equivalent. There are no additional fees associated with securing Academic Equivalence for CAB members. Universities that are members of local chapter affiliates have a low-cost path to participate in the Academic Equivalency program.

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About the INCOSE Systems Engineering Professional Certification: Certification is a formal process whereby a community of knowledgeable, experienced, and skilled representatives of an organization, such as INCOSE, provides confirmation of an individual's competency (demonstrated knowledge, education, and experience) in a specified profession. Certification differs from licensing in that licenses are permissions granted by a government entity for a person to practice within its regulatory boundaries. Certification also differs from a "certificate" that documents the successful completion of a training or education program.

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