



PSAC/SAIT Well Testing Training Program



INTRODUCTION

The Well Testing Training Program was initiated by the Well Testing Committee of the Petroleum Services Association of Canada (PSAC). Committee members saw a need for an industry standard training course that would provide new workers with a theoretical knowledge base to complement and enhance their on the job training. PSAC is pleased to collaborate with the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) in this initiative.

The Training Program—developed by participating PSAC member companies (listed below) in collaboration with SAIT—is aligned with the occupational standards of competence for well testing. The standards provide measurable standards of competence and a career path for advancement for workers. The competency standards are maintained and updated by the Petroleum Human Resources Council of Canada (Petroleum HR Council) working with subject matter experts from the PSAC Well Testing Committee. Effective January 1, 2005, these occupational standards were recognized by Alberta Apprenticeship & Industry Training as Designated Occupations and have equal status to all other Alberta apprenticeship designations.

The Petroleum HR Council now manages the Petroleum Competency Program for the petroleum industry. For more information on occupational competencies, see the Petroleum HR Council website at www.petrohrsc.ca.

For more information on PSAC, its members and initiatives, visit the PSAC website at www.psac.ca.

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- Shallow Well Enterprises Ltd.
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PROGRAM FORMAT

The Well Testing Training Program of studies is divided into six levels that are independent of one another, but it is recommended they be taken in sequence. Students may begin the program at any time.

The industry driven Well Testing Training Program is eligible for a SAIT Certificate of Achievement upon successful completion of all six levels.

ASSIGNMENTS & EXAMS

Students must complete the assignment after each module and the exam after each level. Assignments are at the end of each module, inside the booklet. Final Exams are released from SAIT after all of the modules have been completed and marked.

PRICING

The course fees have been divided to provide for payment of Materials Only, Tuition Only, or Materials and Tuition. This has been done to facilitate 'group training' by companies wishing to train a number of new employees who may or may not ultimately decide to pursue well testing as a career.

For group training purposes, companies can initially request Materials Only. Once it is decided that an individual will continue with the program, their Tuition Only portion is paid. At that point, the student becomes registered with SAIT, completes the assignments, writes the final exam and receives a transcript from SAIT. If the Tuition portion of the fee is not paid, there are no records at SAIT and the student is not eligible to write the final exam or receive a certificate.

Individuals pursuing the Well Testing Training Program are encouraged to register for Materials and Tuition.

FIND OUT MORE

- Read **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)** at <http://psac.ca/welltest/faq.pdf>
- Download course names, numbers and pricing FOR PSAC MEMBERS at http://psac.ca/welltest/member_price.pdf
- Download course names, numbers and pricing FOR NON PSAC MEMBERS at http://psac.ca/welltest/nonmember_price.pdf
- If your company contributed to the development of this training program, please contact PSAC at pdrebit@psac.ca or (403) 538-0016 for course names, numbers and pricing
- Download the **Registration Form** at <http://www.psac.ca/career-resources/well-testing-training-program> or contact PSAC at info@psac.ca or (403) 264-4195.