

Southeast Solar Training Network Brief

To: SSTN Trainers and Faculty

We have been requested by the Department of Energy to estimate the number of students (defined as "trained to join the solar industry") that have received training from the Southeast in the past several years. A recent White House document has stated the following:

"...the DOE's Solar Instructor Training Network will support training programs at community colleges across the country that will assist 50,000 workers to enter the solar industry by 2020. This builds upon SunShot's existing Solar Instructor Training Network of nearly 400 community colleges in 49 states that have trained over 22,000 people to join the solar industry since 2010..."

The Southeast Solar Training Network had provided you with solar training and in turn you returned to your educational institution and applied this solar training to solar specific courses or incorporated solar into technically related existing curriculum and/or courses. We are trying to determine how many students received solar training during the past several years.

There are concerns expressed in DOE over the 22,000 number mentioned above. We have been asked to help in its verification and, thus, this request. We would like to have this information by year since 2009 or starting at whatever year solar related classes were initiated.

Please note the following comments:

1. Make a list of students enrolled in each course, tally those up, and then cross-check it to remove duplicate students enrolled in multiple courses. Thus, we will have the actual count of UNIQUE students that have taken a course at your institution. Or,
2. Make a list of the # of courses and # of students that completed those courses for each institution for each year.

Thus, the following format is recommended. Note that we do not want the students' names. Just the number of students per year. Please respond by July 16, 2014.

Students in solar related courses

Educational Institution	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014

Thanks in advance and contact John Harrison at either Harrison@fsec.ucf.edu or (321) 638-1506 if you have questions.

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