

Emerging Technologies: Electric Propulsion in Part 147 Curriculum

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Deployment and Curriculum Choices

Deployment Options (i.e. How?)



Don't

Don't. Maintain existing Part 147 curriculum requirements.

- You might do this if your program fulfills existing workforce needs.



Integrate

Integrate into existing Part 147 program using new technologies as applications.

- The benefit is that this is relatively easy to incorporate.



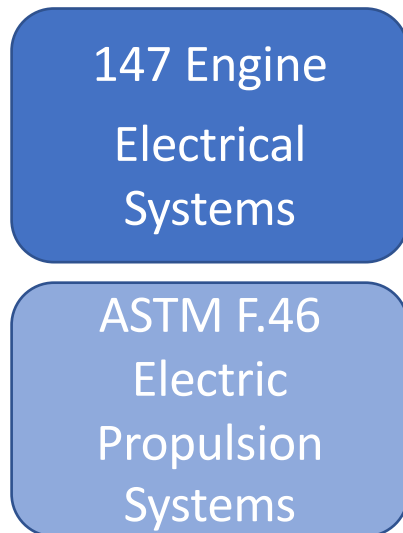
Bolt On

Develop new courses focused on new technologies

- Use industry standards as the foundation for curriculum

Curriculum Deployment Model – Integrate

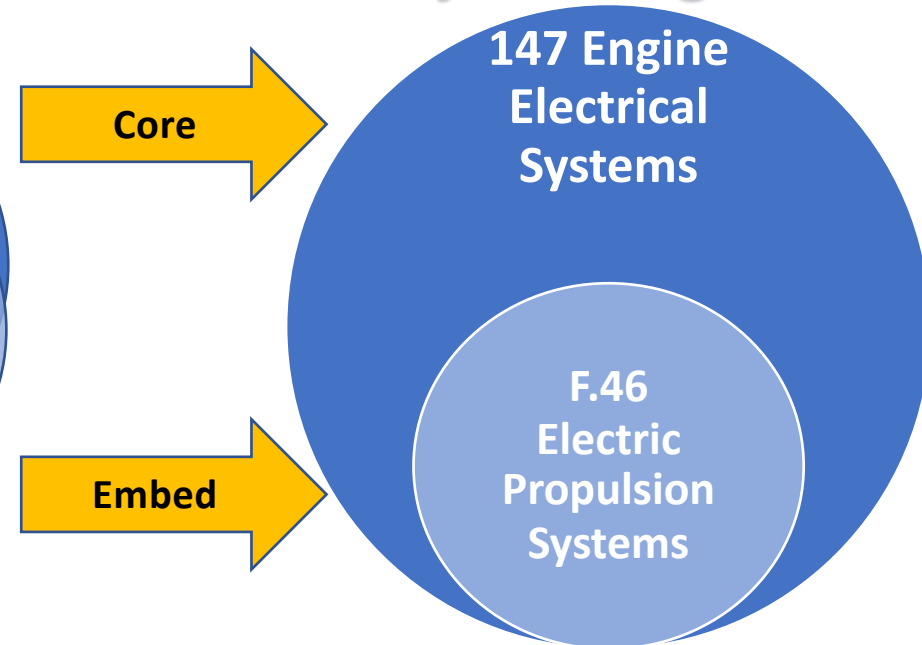
2 Unique Standards



Shared Standards



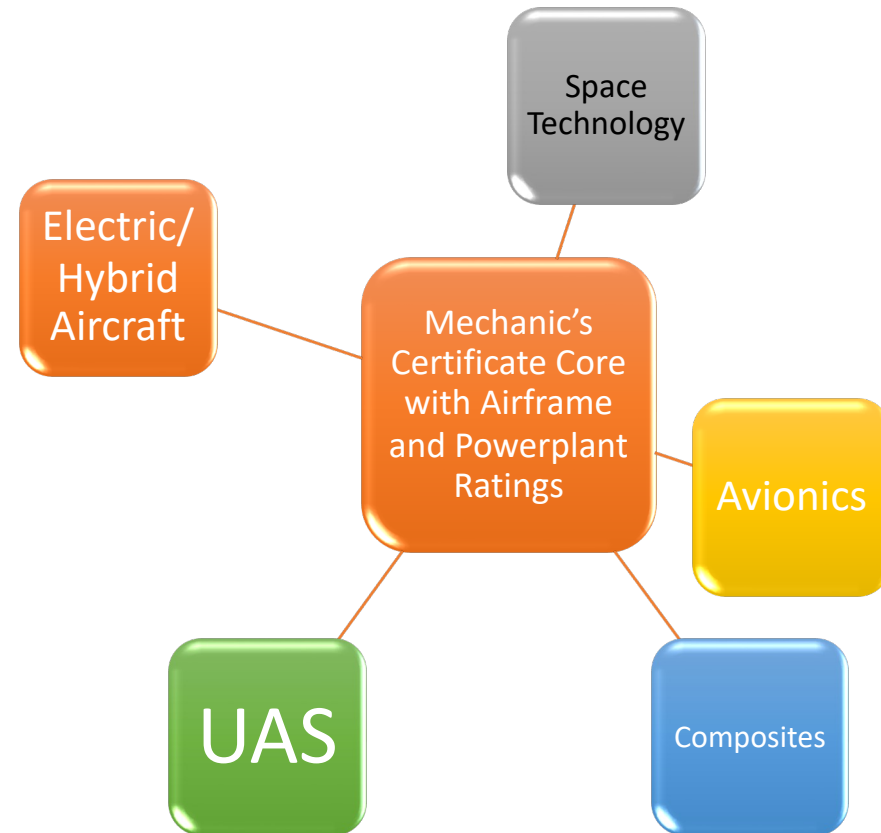
147 Subject Integration



Curriculum Deployment Model – Bolt On

Part 147+ Model

- Additive programs bolted to established mechanics certificate core
- Flexible
- Localized workforce development



Where is the curriculum?

This is where we need your help.

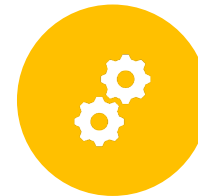
Simple Steps for Curriculum Development



Design



Develop



Implement



Monitor



Evaluate



Review

Curriculum Development

Standards

- Review industry standards and federal regulations.
- Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI) or Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- FAA Title 14, CFR Part 147

Workforce

- Review industry/workforce needs.

Outcomes

- Establish student and course outcomes.

Materials

- Develop instructional materials.
- Lesson plans
- Projects

Equipment

- Acquire equipment and training aids to support instruction.

Textbook Resources

- *Designing Unmanned Aircraft Systems, A Comprehensive Approach* (2nd Ed), Jay Gundlach, AIAA Education Series
- *Introduction to UAV Systems* (4th Ed), Paul Fahlstrom & Thomas Gleason (Wiley Publishing, 2012)
- *Unmanned Aircraft Systems*, R. Austin (AIAA Education Series, 2010)
- *Aircraft Design: A Conceptual Approach* (5th Ed), D. Raymer (AIAA Education Series, 2012)
- *Introduction to Remote Sensing* (5th Ed), J. Campbell & R. Wynne (Guilford Press, 2011)

Other Resources and Opportunities

- Some research currently exists
 - UAS Curriculum for Students Using an Active Learning Approach Michael C. Hatfield ; Catherine F. Cahill ; John Monahan
 - Integrating the UAS in Undergraduate Teaching and Research – Opportunities and Challenges at University of North Georgia Sharma, J. B. ; Hulse, D.
 - Curriculum Enhancement to the Mechanical Engineering Graduate Program and Undergraduate Aerospace Option by Including Contemporary Issues of Integrating Unmanned Aircraft Systems into the National Airspace System; Daniel S. Kaputa
- Grants
 - NSF Grant ATE
 - NSF Mentor Connect
 - FAA Workforce Development Grant
 - NIST Standards Services Curricula Development Cooperative Agreement Program

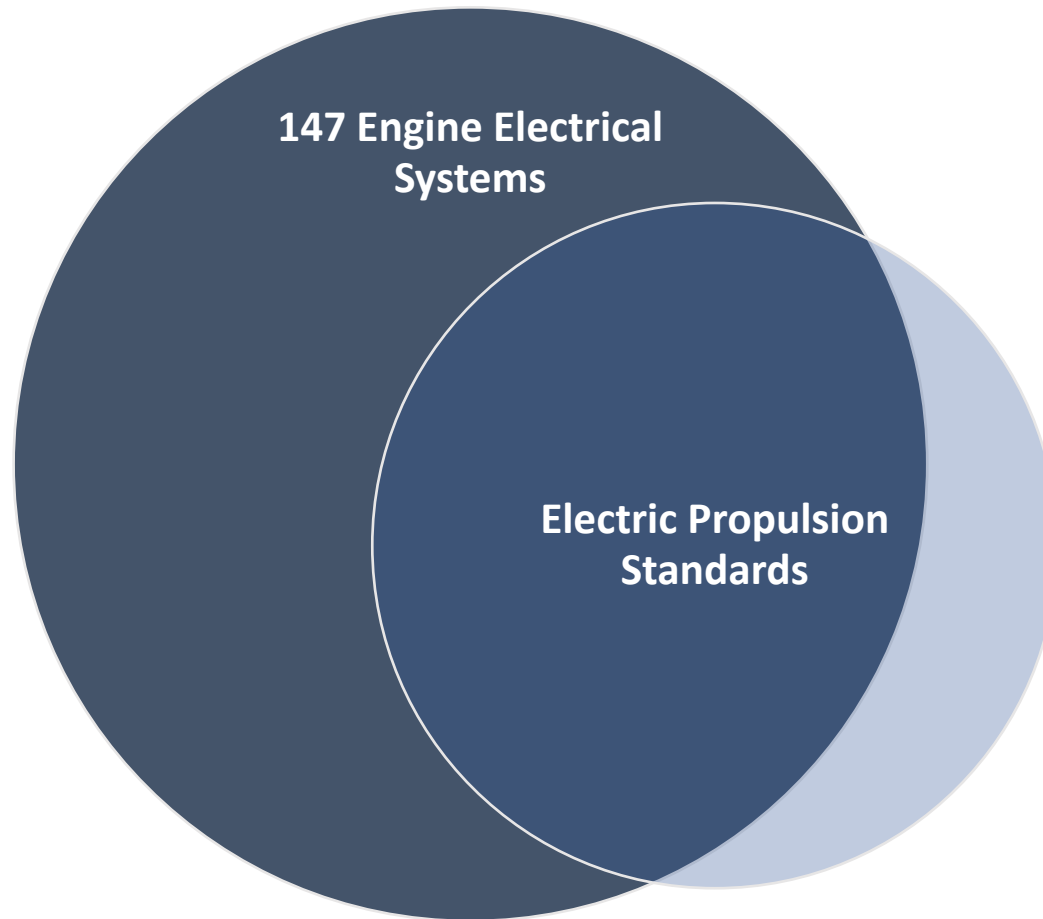
Online Resources

- National Center for Autonomous Technologies
 - <https://ncatech.org/>
- FAA UAS Collegiate Training Initiative
 - https://www.faa.gov/uas/educational_users/collegiate_training_initiative
- FAA Center of Excellence for UAS Research, Education, and Training
 - Alliance for System Safety of UAS through Research Excellence (ASSURE) <https://assureuas.org/>
 - UAS Maintenance, Modification, Repair, Inspection, Training, And Certification (2017) <https://assureuas.org/projects/uas-maintenance-modification-repair-inspection-training-and-certification/>

Example for Electric Propulsion Standards using Integrate Model

ASTM F3239 Specification and ASTM F3338 Design Requirements

Electric Propulsion Using Integrate Model



Step 1 Curriculum Development

Standards

- Review industry standards and federal regulations.

| Organization | Number | Title |
|--------------|-------------|--|
| ASTM | F3239-22 | Standard Specification for Aircraft Electric Propulsion Systems |
| ASTM | F3338-21 | Design of Electric Engines for General Aviation Aircraft |
| SAE | ARP8676 | Nomenclature and Definitions for Electrified Propulsion Aircraft |
| SAE | AS6502 | Aircraft Propulsion System Performance Nomenclature |
| EASA | NPA 2021-15 | New Air Mobility Continuing Airworthiness (CAW) Rules for Electric and Hybrid Propulsion Aircraft and Other Non-Conventional Aircraft (Draft)¶ |

14 CFR Part 147.17 Training Requirements

§ 147.17 Training requirements.

- (a) Each certificated aviation maintenance technician school must:
 - (1) Establish, maintain, and utilize a curriculum that is designed to continually align with the mechanic airman certification standards referenced in paragraph (b) of this section, as appropriate for the ratings held;
 - (2) Provide training of a quality that meets the requirements of § 147.25; and
 - (3) Ensure students have the knowledge and skills necessary to be prepared to test for a mechanic certificate and associated ratings under subpart D of part 65 of this chapter.
- (b) FAA-S-ACS-1, Aviation Mechanic General, Airframe, and Powerplant Airman Certification Standards, November 1, 2021, is incorporated by reference into this section with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. This material is available for inspection at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Contact FAA, Airman Testing Standards Branch/Regulatory Support Division, 405-954-4151, AFS630Comments@faa.gov. For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email: fr.inspection@nara.gov, or go to www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html. The material may be obtained from FAA, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, 866-835-5322, www.faa.gov/training_testing.

Step 2 Workforce Needs

Workforce

- Review industry/workforce needs.

- This is unique to individual schools.

Step 3 Outcomes

Outcomes

- Establish course outcomes.
- Map to ABET/ABBI and ACS.

Alignment with ABET Student Outcomes

| Organization | Number | Title | Student Outcomes |
|--------------|-------------|---|--|
| ASTM | F3239-22 | Standard Specification for Aircraft Electric Propulsion Systems | ETAC Outcome 3 EAC Outcome 2 |
| ASTM | F3338-21 | Minimum Design Requirements for Electric Propulsion | ETAC Outcome 2 EAC Outcome 2, 7 |
| SAE | ARP8676 | Nomenclature and Definitions for Electrified Propulsion Aircraft | ETAC Outcome 3, Outcome 5 EAC Outcome 7 |
| SAE | AS6502 | Aircraft Propulsion System Performance Nomenclature | ETAC Outcome 3, Outcome 5 EAC Outcome 7 |
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Course Outcomes Mapped to Part 147 Courses

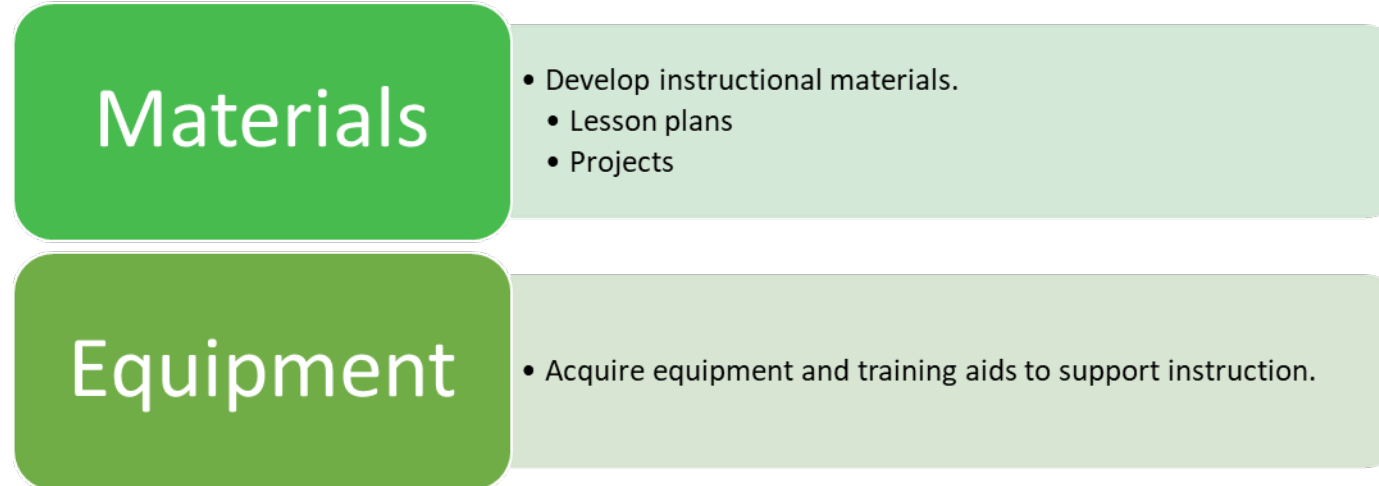
| 100 Level Course | 200 Level Course | 300/400 Level Course |
|---|---|--|
| The student shall be able to define and distinguish terminology for electric propulsion such as the following: capacity, electric engine, energy distribution system, energy storage system (ESS), usable energy capacity, and electric propulsion system (EPS) | The student shall be able to use electric propulsion terminology in technical communications. The student shall be able to identify two electric propulsion design technical literature and use it appropriately in technical communication. | The student shall be able to identify and use appropriate technical literature related to electric propulsion control and indication for use in technical communication. |
| The student shall be able to identify and distinguish applicable electric aircraft configurations and operational characteristics. | The student shall be able to describe electric powerplant controls and operational characteristics, and its relationship to energy storage. | The student shall understand energy storage, controls, powerplant operational characteristics, and installation. |
| The student shall be able to identify and distinguish electric propulsion hazards and mitigation methods. | The student shall be able to use standards to develop plans and procedures for hazard mitigation for at least one known hazard of electric propulsion. | The student shall be to develop plans and procedures for hazard mitigation that includes fire detection, lightning, and high-energy rotors |

Course Outcomes Mapped to a Sample of ACS

| Course Outcome | Sample of Airman Certification Standards |
|---|--|
| The student shall be able to define and distinguish terminology for electric propulsion such as the following: capacity, electric engine, energy distribution system, energy storage system (ESS), usable energy capacity, and electric propulsion system (EPS) | AM.I.A.K11 Resistance AM.I.A.K AC/DC Motors |
| The student shall be to develop plans and procedures for hazard mitigation that includes fire detection, lightning, and high-energy rotors. | AM.III.E.K2 Fire detection warning system operation |
| The student shall be able to identify and distinguish electric propulsion hazards and mitigation methods. | AM.I.L.K6 Communication/Reporting of hazards AM.I.A.R2 Handling, storage, and inspection of different types of batteries II Airframe Subject K Risk Management |

Steps 4 and 5 Materials and Equipment

Future Work



Challenges: access to technical data, new technologies so access to equipment is limited

Related ATEC Presentations

Building and A&P Plus Program: 10:45 to 11:45 Classroom 137

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Discussion Time

What are your questions, concerns, or ideas?