Advanced Electric Drive Vehicles – A Comprehensive Education, Training, and Outreach Program

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Overview

Timeline

- Project start date: 01/21/2010
- Project end date: 01/20/2013
- Percent complete: 39

Barriers

- Curriculum Integration
- Fast Evolving Technology
- Input from Industry

Budget

- Total $6,256,324
  - DOE share: $5,000,000
  - Contractor share: $1,256,324

Partners

- Project lead: Missouri S&T
- University of Central Missouri
- Linn State Technical College
- St. Louis Science Center

Relevance

- **Objectives**
  - Prepare the next generation of engineers and technicians who will be working on electric, hybrid, and plug-in hybrid vehicles
  - Promote public awareness
  - Create new jobs
    - Develop an Advanced Automotive Technology Minor Degree Program for undergraduate engineering students (Missouri S&T)
    - Develop an Automotive Certificate Program for technicians, product support managers, and educators/trainers (U of Central Missouri)
    - Develop an Associate of Applied Science Degree Option in Electric-Drive Vehicles (Linn State)
  - Save existing jobs
    - Develop an Electric Drive Vehicle Technology Graduate Certificate Program for industry engineers (Missouri S&T)

Approach: Missouri S&T (Lead)

- Coordination of educational, outreach, assessment, and dissemination activities
- Course and curriculum development for an Undergraduate Engineering Minor Program
- Course and curriculum development for a Graduate Certificate Program
- Assessment, outreach, and dissemination partner
- Integration of research and education

Approach: University of Central Missouri (sub)

- Course and curriculum development for a Non-Degree Certificate Program
- Course and curriculum development for Safety Awareness Certifications
- Regional course adoption campus
- Assessment, outreach, and dissemination partner

Approach: Linn State Technical College (sub)

- Course and curriculum development for an Associate of Applied Science Degree Option
- Course and curriculum development for a Technical Certificate in Advanced EDV Maintenance
- Regional (statewide) course adoption campus
- Assessment, outreach, and dissemination partner

Approach: St. Louis Science Center (sub)

- **Public outreach, out of school time learning**
  - **The Electric Uphill Derby: An Electric Vehicle Outreach Initiative for Youth Development and Learning During Out of School Time**
- **Consumer education**
  - **Unplugged: Electric Vehicles to Drive Our Future: an exhibit and programs to inform and engage the consumer**
- **Assessment and dissemination partner**

Progress: Missouri S&T

Missouri S&T Objectives – Year I	Status
Acquisition and Purchase of the Required Laboratory Equipment	Accomplished
Acquisition and Purchase of the Required Software	Accomplished
Curriculum Development	On Target
Outreach	On Target
High School Summer Camp	Accomplished
Evaluation and Revision of the Developed Material	On Target
Assessment	On Target

Progress: Central Missouri

U of Central MO Objective – Year I	Status
Course Material Collection	Accomplished
Course Outline and Syllabus Development	Accomplished
Test Equipment Acquisition	Accomplished
Submission of new course and new EV certificate program to UCM curriculum process for approval	Accomplished
Chassis Dynamometer acquisition & installation	Out on Bid
PHEV and/or EV vehicle & material procurement	Accomplished
Finalize new course & certificate material for submission to state of MO for approval	On Target

Progress: Linn

Linn State Objectives- Phase I	Status
Conduct advisory council meetings	Accomplished
Document curriculum	On Target
Validate Curriculum	On Target
Initial approval of curriculum	Accomplished
Participate in instructor training on EDVs	Accomplished
Conduct the Automotive Summer Institute	Accomplished
Confirm national partnerships with other education institutions	In Progress
Acquire final approval of new courses	On Target
Develop brochures and marketing materials	In Progress

Progress: Science Center

St. Louis Sci. Cent. Objectives- Phase I	Status
Front-end evaluation with museum visitors	Accomplished
Recruit content advisory board	Accomplished
Design and test prototype experience platform elements with public	Accomplished
Evaluate, select and procure electric vehicle	In Progress
Design story boards and outlines and shoot rough cut for Science Minutes	In Progress

Major Accomplishments

Courses Offered in Fall 2010

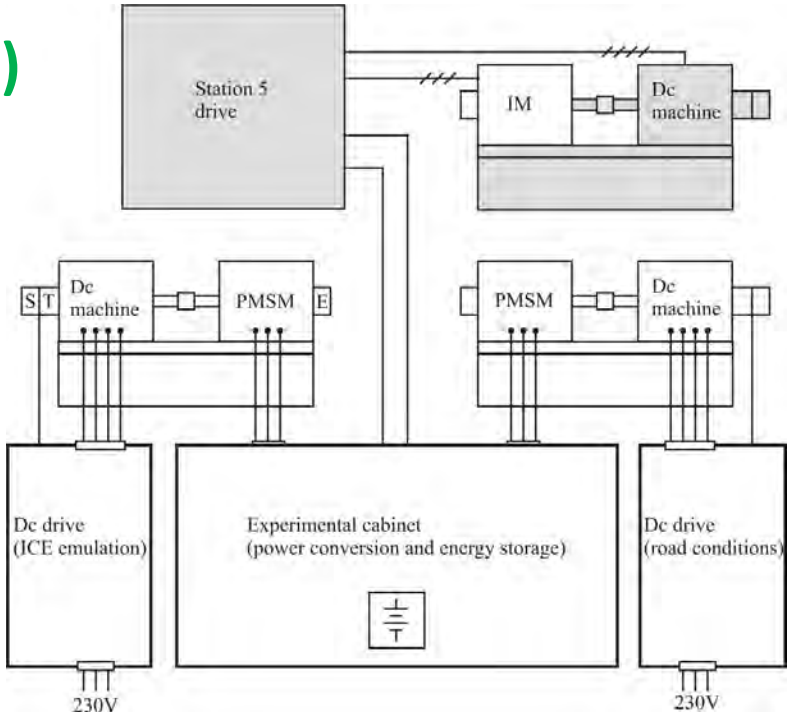
Course #	Course Title	Hours	Instructor	Enrollment
EMGT 345	Energy and Sustainability Management Eng	3	Suzanna Long/ Scott Grasman	17
EMGT 311	Human Factors	3	Susan Murray	31
EMGT 386	Safety Engineering	3	Michael Schmidt	18
ME 335	Applied Energy Conversion	3	John Sheffield	10
EE 205	Electromechanics	3	Jonathan Kimball	42
ME 279	Automatic Control of Dynamic Systems	3	Robert G Landers	52
EE 453	Advanced Power Electronics	3	Mehdi Ferdowsi	20
Pr&T 3120	Steering & Suspension	4	Jack Ireland	6
Pr&T 3124	Automotive Braking Systems	4	Jack Ireland	13
Pr&T 3134	Advanced Powerplants	3	Jack Ireland	13

Courses Offered in Spring 2011

Course #	Course Title	Hours	Instructor	Enrollment
ME 378	Mechatronics	3	Robert Landers	17
EE 301	Electric-Drive Vehicles	3	Mehdi Ferdowsi	30
EE 353	Power Electronics	3	Luke Watson	31
EE 354	Power Electronics Laboratory	2	Reza Ahmadi	5
EE 401	Power Converter Modeling and Control	3	Jonathan Kimball	22
EE 205	Electromechanics	3	Mehdi Ferdowsi	29
EMGT 311	Human Factors	3	Susan Murray	32
EMGT 411	Human Systems Integration	3	Susan Murray	10
EMGT 366	Business Logistics/Supply Chain	3	Long	5

Major Accomplishments

- **Development of a 20-hp Series Hybrid Powertrain for Educational Purposes**
  - **Acquisition and Purchase of the Required Laboratory Equipment (100%)**
  - **Hardware installation (90%)**
  - **Software integration (20%)**



Previous Accomplishments

Courses Offered in Spring 2010

Course #	Course Title	Hours	Instructor	Enrollment
ME 378	Mechatronics	3	Robert Landers	21
EE 301	Electric-Drive Vehicles	3	Andrew Meintz	17
EE 353	Power Electronics	3	Jonathan Kimball	42
EE 354	Power Electronics Laboratory	2	Jonathan Kimball	6
EE 402	Advanced Theory Of Electric Machines	3	Keith Corzine	13
EE 205	Electromechanics	3	Christopher Hutson	38
EMGT 311	Human Factors	3	Susan Murray	28
SysEng 401	Model Based Systems Engineering	3	Steven Corns	19

Future Work

- Continue Curriculum Development Efforts
- Finish Software Integration of the 20-hp Series Hybrid Powertrain
- Continue the Assessment Activities
- Dissemination

Summary

- Most tasks are progressing according to project timeline
- No major challenges as of now
- The new courses are popular among students
- The industry support has been encouraging