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SME PE Review Course Returns to Denver This September



Expert Instruction Provides Registrants with Best Preparation for PE Exam

Denver, CO - From September 12-16, 2026 in Denver, Colorado, SME's annual PE Review Course offers a comprehensive review of the subjects covered in the examination for mining/minerals processing engineers. During this instructor-led course, prospective Professional Engineers (PEs) will establish familiarity with exam topics and interface with subject-matter experts representing the top mining engineering schools. Attendees will cover 85 questions in the examination subject areas, providing a solid foundation to pass the exam. In addition, 35 professional development hours (PDHs) are credited to registrants.

Instructors of the 2026 SME PE Review Course are:

- [Dr. Corby G. Anderson](#), Professor of Mining Engineering and Director of the Kroll Institute of Extractive Metallurgy, Colorado School of Mines
- [Dr. Sekhar Bhattacharyya](#), Associate Teaching Professor of Mining Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University

- [Dr. Keith A. Heasley](#), Professor Emeritus, Department of Mining Engineering, West Virginia University
- [Dr. Ashish Ranjan Kumar](#), Assistant Professor of Mining Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University
- [Dr. Nathan D. Manser](#), Professor of Practice, Geological and Mining Engineering and Sciences, Michigan Technological University

“My fellow instructors and I look forward to welcoming another class of future PEs to this year’s course,” said Dr. Corby G. Anderson, an instructor of the 2026 SME PE Review Course. “If you find yourself eligible for licensure, we invite you to join us to put yourself in best possible position to pass the exam and advance your career by joining the esteemed PE community.”

The review course will cover 85 questions across the following examination subject areas:

- Exploration
- Mine Planning and Operations
- Mineral Processing
- Environment and Reclamation

The examination, if passed, grants Professional Engineer (PE) licensure, which per the [National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying](#) (NCEES) helps ensure that individuals practice in a manner that protects the health, safety, and welfare of the public by satisfying qualifications in education, work experience, and exams. Licensure can help engineers and surveyors progress in their careers while at the same time ensuring public safety.

To learn more and register for the 2026 PE Review Course, visit smepereviewcourse.org.



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