STANDARDS EDUCATION — UNIVERSITY OUTREACH
educating the next generation on the strategic impact of standards and conformity assessment

Standards facilitate the cross-border trade of products and services. They promote the safety and quality of products, personnel and systems. They provide for environmental protection and enable the interoperability of applications and communications systems.

A graduate who is familiar with the standards and conformity assessment programs relevant to his or her industry — and who understands how the global standards system works — will have a distinct advantage when entering the workforce.

ANSI UNIVERSITY OUTREACH PROGRAM
The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) oversees the United States standards and conformity assessment system and represents the nation as the official member of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and, via ANSI’s U.S. National Committee, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC).

The Institute is committed to establishing education programs covering the development and use of standards as a high priority within the United States. ANSI’s University Outreach program makes globally-recognized standards, specifications and guidelines available for classroom use. Participation in the program is open to all disciplines in any U.S.-based institution of higher learning.

Selections can be made from more than 20,000 standards in the ISO and IEC collections — including the well-known ISO 9000 series for quality management or the ISO 14000 series for environmental management. Certain American National Standards (ANS) can be made available on a case-by-case basis.

A key component of this initiative is the pooling of existing resources that will enhance the learning experience. As appropriate, ANSI staff will collaborate with faculty from participating universities to identify supplemental materials for use in the classroom. These resources may include lectures by technical experts from standards-developing committees, case studies, model tutorials, and other resources.

CONTACT INFORMATION
To learn more about the University Outreach Program and other education-related initiatives, please contact ANSI’s Education and Training Administrator (lrajchel@ansi.org), or visit www.ansi.org/education or www.standardslearn.org.

Interested faculty are encouraged to respond promptly as the number of schools selected to participate during each academic semester may be limited. While access to the standards is complimentary, both faculty and student participants will be expected to adhere to strict usage restrictions and copyright protection requirements.