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# FASTENER TRAINING INSTITUTE® EXPANDS TO NORTHWEST

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The Fastener Training Institute® (FTI) presented the acclaimed Certified Fastener Specialist™ Fastener Training Week for the first time in the Northwest.

Fastener Training Week—Spokane, Washington was offered April 28-May 2. This training, in partnership with the Industrial Fasteners Institute (IFI), incorporates the seven classes in the Certified Fastener Specialist™ program in an accelerated weeklong format. The seven individual classes are:

- **Fastener Manufacturing Plant Tour**
- **Fastener Secondary Processes Plant Tour**
- **Fastener Specifications & Terminology**
- **Understanding the Bolted Joint**
- **Dimensional & Material Specifications**
- **Fastener Quality Assurance**
- **Fastener Testing**

Employers needed team members capable of supporting their customers but attending the seven-course training could take students a year or more to complete. Fastener Training Week was created in response to the demand for a much quicker path to completion.

Joe Greenslade, IFI Director of Engineering Technology, was instrumental in developing this program and providing content.

As Joe says, “Almost everyone in the fastener industry from one month to thirty years of experience in any capacity related to sales,

engineering, or quality can learn and benefit from this program. There is no better investment managers can make in their businesses than providing good training to their staff.”

Fastener Training Week includes everything that a student would experience in the regular seven-course CFS™ training. The program features learning labs taught by leading industry experts, Carmen Vertullo CFS (CarVer Consulting), Salim Brahimi (IBECA Technologies) and Laurence Claus (NNi Training and Consulting), interactive exercises, quizzes to reinforce learning, and plant tours that can include manufacturing, secondary processes and testing facilities. Upon completion of this training and passing a final exam, attendees are eligible to receive the Certified Fastener Specialist™ (CFS) designation.

Fastener Training Week - Spokane attendees were invited to Empire Bolt and Screw along with local Pacific-West Fastener Association members for a cocktail reception. Our thanks go out to Empire Bolt general manager Jennifer Harder for her



hospitality.

Upcoming dates for Fastener Training Week include July 28-August 1 and November 17-21, both in Cleveland, Ohio.

For more information about Fastener Training Institute® classes email [info@FastenerTraining.org](mailto:info@FastenerTraining.org) or call 562.473.5373. Also, please check our website for the complete 2014 calendar, [www.FastenerTraining.org](http://www.FastenerTraining.org)

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