ANS Issues Response to an Inquiry on ANSI/ANS-3.1-1993 (R1999) (W2009), "Selection, Qualification, and Training of Personnel for Nuclear Power Plants." (*Nuclear News*, July 2018)

Inquiry:

Clarify what activities can be counted to meet the requirements for power plant experience. Can the time spent in classroom training be counted towards the time to meet requirements in ANSI/ANS-3.1-1993 (R1999) (W2009), "Selection, Qualification, and Training of Personnel for Nuclear Power Plants," Section 4.5.3.2?

The following excerpts from the standard are provided for your reference:

Section 4.1, General, (Third para) states:

Time spent in a structured, job-related development program may be considered experience in meeting the requirements as stated in Section 4 if the individual performs tasks or observes and discusses the performance of tasks similar to those that the individual will be qualified to perform. The structured program shall involve observation and performance of a variety of tasks that cover the range of duties of the qualified position. The individual shall perform the tasks under the direction of a qualified individual. To the extent possible, the structured program should contain hands-on experience that is directly applicable to the job.

Section 4.5.3.2, Radiation Protection, states:

Education: High school diploma
Minimum experience for the position:
Related experience 2 yrs
which shall include
Nuclear Power Plant 1 yr
On-site 0.25 yr

Response:

Classroom training may be credited towards experience, provided it meets the requirements stated in Section 4.1.2.4 (2nd para) that states:

An acceptable alternative to the related experience specified in Section 4 is successful completion of a training program based on a systematic approach to training (see 6.2.1) and 1 year of related experience.