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Steve Collen Retires from Northwest Iowa Community College

For the past 27 years, Steve Collen has been instructing students in the Powerline classrooms and labs at Northwest Iowa Community College. This veteran of the Powerline Technology Department will retire July 19, 2013.

A seasoned instructor, Collen got his start working in industry in a variety of capacities: Lineman, Inspector, Contractor (Co-owner), and Estimator/Construction Supervisor.

In 1986 he accepted a teaching position at NCC. He has instructed students in all phases of power line construction, teaching theory and applications through lectures and field experiences. Courses he has taught include: Field Training, Trade Fundamentals, DC Theory and Lab, Transmission and Distribution, AC Theory, and Three Phase Theory.

While at NCC Collen had many professional affiliations: 1995-Present, Iowa Electrical Utilities Safety/Training Association (IEUSTA), Present Position: Vice Chair; 2000-Present, Quad States (Electrical Utilities Safety Professionals), Present Position: New Membership Committee.

Collen lives in Sheldon, Iowa with his wife, Jill. They have two children, Staff Sergeant Christopher Collen, in Manhattan, Kansas and Nicholas Collen and wife, Jaime, in Lincoln, Nebraska.