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**Course Objectives/Course Outline**  
**Spokane Community College**

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**Course Title:**                   **Diagnosis of Hybrids**

**Prefix and Course Number:** **AUTO 228**

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**Course Learning Outcomes:**

**By the end of this course, a student should be able to:**

- Differentiate between hybrid battery types and their use.
- Diagnose and repair regenerative brake systems.
- Diagnose and repair manual transmissions.
- Diagnose and repair continuously variable transmissions.
- Diagnose and repair power trains.
- Diagnose and repair cold start emission controls.
- Diagnose and repair electric power assist brakes.
- Diagnose fuel system problems.
- Perform routine maintenance procedures.

**Course Outline:**

- I. Hybrid Batteries and Battery Service
  - A. Objectives
  - B. Key Terms
  - C. Introduction
  - D. Evolution of Battery Technology
  - E. The Role of the HV Battery in the Hybrid System
  - F. Nickel-Metal Hydride Technology
  - G. Role of the Auxiliary Battery in the Hybrid System
  - H. Lead-Acid Technology
- II. Regenerative Braking Systems
  - A. Principles of Regenerative Braking
  - B. Regenerative Braking
  - C. How the Regenerative Braking Systems Works
  - D. Deceleration Rates
- III. Hybrid Vehicle Transmissions and Transaxles
  - A. Manual versus Automatic
  - B. Why a Transmission is Necessary
  - C. Manual Transaxles
  - D. Conventional Automatic Transmissions
  - E. Continuously Variable Transmissions
- IV. Honda Hybrid Vehicles
  - A. Objectives/Key Terms
  - B. Background
  - C. Body/Interior Features
  - D. Power Train Features
  - E. Safety Procedures
  - F. Service Features
- V. Toyota/Lexus Hybrid Vehicles
  - A. Objectives/Key Terms
  - B. Toyota Prius
  - C. Cold-Start Emission Controls
  - D. Fuel System Components

- E. High-Voltage Battery Pack
  - F. The Toyota Hybrid System
  - G. Lexus RX400h/Toyota Highlander Hybrid
  - H. Toyota Camry Hybrid
  - I. Lexus GS450h
  - J. Maintenance and Service Procedures
- VI. Ford/Mercury Hybrid Vehicles
- A. Objectives/Key Terms
  - B. Introduction
  - C. Full Hybrid
  - D. Electronic Traction Motor
  - E. Generator Motor
  - F. High-Voltage Battery Pack
  - G. Electronic Controller
  - H. Electric Power Assist Steering (EPAS)
  - I. Regenerative Braking System (RBS)
  - J. Service Procedures
- VII. General Motors Hybrid Vehicles
- A. Objectives/Key Terms
  - B. Introduction
  - C. Chevrolet/GMC Parallel Hybrid Truck
  - D. Saturn VUE and Chevrolet Malibu Hybrids
  - E. General Motors Two-Mode Hybrid