



Bentley OpenPlant Modeler: Modeling, Documentation & Clash Detection

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the fundamentals of plant design and the OpenPlant Modeler environment for creating intelligent 3D plant models.
- Develop equipment, piping, cable tray, and HVAC systems using industry-standard workflows and specifications.
- Utilize OpenPlant Model Server for collaborative, data-centric project management and multi-user design coordination.
- Generate engineering deliverables such as isometric drawings, orthographic views, and project documentation directly from the 3D model.
- Perform model review, clash detection, and design validation to improve project quality and reduce construction conflicts.

Course Outcomes

After successfully completing this course, participants will be able to:

- Create and manage complete intelligent plant models using OpenPlant Modeler.
- Model equipment, nozzles, piping systems, cable trays, and HVAC networks efficiently and accurately.
- Apply industry best practices for plant design, routing, component placement, and project documentation.
- Generate and manage engineering deliverables, including isometric drawings, model snapshots, and drawing sheets.
- Conduct clash detection, resolve design conflicts, and participate effectively in multidisciplinary plant design projects.
- Collaborate with project teams using OpenPlant Model Server and data-centric workflows.

Target Audience

This course is designed for:

- Plant Design Engineers and Plant Layout Engineers involved in industrial facility design projects.
- Piping Engineers, Piping Designers, and Drafting Professionals seeking expertise in 3D plant modeling.



- Mechanical Engineers working in oil & gas, petrochemical, power, water treatment, and process industries.
- CAD/BIM Professionals looking to transition into intelligent plant design and digital engineering workflows.
- Engineering Consultants, EPC professionals, and project team members responsible for plant design coordination and documentation.
- Students and fresh graduates aspiring to build a career in industrial plant engineering and 3D plant modeling.

Course Outline

The course comprises **40**-hours of theory and labs and is divided into **13** different Modules. Each chapter will be followed by hands-on lab exercises to reinforce learning and gauge understanding of the topics covered.

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Module 1: Introduction to OpenPlant Modeler

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- 1.2 Plant Design Workflow and Applications
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- 1.4 Project Setup and Configuration
- 1.5 Understanding Workspaces and Standards
- 1.6 Creating Units, Systems, and Pipelines
- 1.7 Best Practices for Plant Modeling

Module 2: Equipment Modeling Fundamentals

- 2.1 Introduction to Equipment Modeling
- 2.2 Equipment Libraries and Specifications
- 2.3 Creating Parametric Equipment
- 2.4 Modifying Equipment Parameters
- 2.5 Placement and Positioning Techniques
- 2.6 Equipment Connectivity Concepts
- 2.7 Equipment Modeling Best Practices

Module 3: Advanced Equipment Creation

- 3.1 Building Custom Equipment
- 3.2 Creating User-Defined Components
- 3.3 Managing Equipment Templates
- 3.4 Equipment Data and Properties
- 3.5 Reusing and Updating Equipment Models
- 3.6 Equipment Validation Techniques



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- 4.7 Copying and Modifying Equipment Settings

Module 5: OpenPlant Model Server

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- 5.5 Component Check-Out and Check-In Process
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Module 6: OpenPlant Piping Fundamentals

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- 6.2 Piping Specifications and Standards
- 6.3 Basic Modeling Guidelines
- 6.4 Routing Pipes in OpenPlant
- 6.5 Piping Task Menu Overview
- 6.6 Tool Palettes and Preferences
- 6.7 Standard Piping Components
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Module 7: Advanced Piping Modeling

- 7.1 Pipe Routing Techniques
- 7.2 Valves, Fittings, and Specialty Components
- 7.3 Branch Connections and Pipe Modifications
- 7.4 Working with Key-ins and Commands
- 7.5 Clash-Free Piping Strategies
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Module 8: Isometric Generation and Documentation

- 8.1 Introduction to Isometric Drawings
- 8.2 Auto-Generating Isosheets
- 8.3 Isometric Extraction Settings
- 8.4 Annotation and Dimensioning



8.5 Isometric Review and Validation

8.6 Deliverables and Documentation Standards

Module 9: OpenPlant Cable Tray Modeling

9.1 Introduction to Cable Tray Systems

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9.5 Tray Components and Accessories

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Module 10: OpenPlant HVAC Modeling

10.1 Introduction to HVAC Systems

10.2 HVAC Components and Specifications

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10.5 HVAC Connectivity and Coordination

10.6 HVAC Modeling Best Practices

Module 11: Drawing Management and Deliverables

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11.3 Defining Views in 3D Models

11.4 Generating Orthographic Drawings

11.5 Drawing Annotation and Documentation

11.6 Managing Revisions and Updates

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Module 12: Model Review and Clash Detection

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12.2 Review Workflows and Navigation

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12.4 Clash Detection Interface Overview

12.5 Running Clash Detection Tests

12.6 Reviewing and Resolving Clashes

12.7 Clash Reports and Coordination Workflows

12.8 Project Quality Assurance and Best Practices

Module 13: Integrated Plant Design Project

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13.2 Equipment Modeling Exercise

13.3 Piping System Development

13.4 Cable Tray and HVAC Integration

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13.7 Final Model Review

13.8 Project Submission and Evaluation