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## Student Edition of Solid Edge Now Available Free of Charge to All Students Worldwide By: Branco LIU

*Siemens PLM Software Makes its Revolutionary Synchronous Technology Available to Students to Help Meet Growing Demand for Graduates with Skills and Experience in Modern CAD Technology*

PLANO, Texas, August 29, 2011 - [Siemens PLM Software](#), a business unit of the Siemens Industry Automation Division and a leading global provider of product lifecycle management (PLM) software and services, today announced as part of its ongoing investment in education, a Student Edition of its [Solid Edge® software](#) for 3D CAD that is now available free of charge to all full or part time students throughout the world at any academic level. This no-charge 12-month license is available only to students through an easy, instant download. It contains not only the latest Solid Edge functionality necessary to create detailed product designs, but also Siemens PLM Software's market leading synchronous technology, which represents the next generation of design software. To register for and download the Student Edition of Solid Edge, students can visit [www.siemens.com/plm/solid-edge-student](http://www.siemens.com/plm/solid-edge-student). The license can be renewed each year provided the user remains a qualified student.

"The global manufacturing community – including all of our customers – has an insatiable appetite for new engineering graduates with the ability to add instant value to their product design and development process," said Karsten Newbury, senior vice president and general manager of Solid Edge and Velocity Series, Siemens PLM Software. "With today's announcement, we are helping to educate a new generation of students with the skills, experience and confidence needed to immediately leverage the industry's most advanced CAD design methods using Solid Edge with its revolutionary synchronous technology. Through this long-term commitment to education we are enabling the individuals who will invent and produce the innovative products required to address the world's future needs and challenges."

### **Robust functionality with comprehensive training and support**

The Student Edition of Solid Edge contains all of the functionality necessary to create complete designs using some of the industry's most sophisticated and modern techniques. In addition to Siemens PLM Software's unique synchronous technology, which combines the speed and flexibility of direct modeling with the precise control of dimension driven design, students will have access to the full function modules of Solid Edge drafting, sheet metal, surfacing and advanced assembly design.

In order to ensure students have the ability to effectively use all of the Solid Edge functionality provided, registrants are provided with links to tutorials and other on-line media, and granted access to a dedicated Internet forum that will allow collaboration with other students using Solid Edge. Users of the Student Edition of Solid Edge will also gain access to technical productivity tips to help further increase their proficiency.

"In my experience as both a student and as an intern, I've used the other leading CAD programs in the industry. None of them provide me with anything close to the comprehensive user interface or surfacing capabilities of Solid Edge," said Elle Mileti, a dual major student in Mechanical Engineering and Product Design & Innovation at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Class of 2013. "And with access to its synchronous technology, I can easily and efficiently create geometry that's almost impossible to accomplish with the other software. Nothing is more frustrating than sifting through drop down menus when you know what needs to be done; with Solid Edge I can focus on design."

### **About Solid Edge**

**Solid Edge®** software is the most complete hybrid 2D/3D CAD system that uses synchronous technology for accelerated design, faster change, and improved imported reuse. With superior part and assembly modeling, drafting, transparent data management, and built-in finite element analysis, Solid Edge, a core component of the Velocity Series™ portfolio, eases the growing complexity of product design.

### About Siemens PLM Software

Siemens PLM Software, a business unit of the Siemens Industry Automation Division, is a leading global provider of product lifecycle management (PLM) software and services with 6.7 million licensed seats and more than 69,500 customers worldwide. Headquartered in Plano, Texas, Siemens PLM Software works collaboratively with companies to deliver open solutions that help them turn more ideas into successful products. For more information on Siemens PLM Software products and services, visit [www.siemens.com/plm](http://www.siemens.com/plm).

### About Siemens Industry Automation Division

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