

Video voice-over Carlton Sutherland, Customer Lead Engineer

Carlton Sutherland

"My name is Carlton Sutherland, and I work for Avangrid in the Distribution Engineering area in UI. So I spend a fair amount of time in the office, but I also spend a fair amount of time in the field. While I am in the field, I am meeting with developers, contractors, general electrical contractors, and performing inspections. Projects can be brand new, they can also be renovation or a building expansion. Every project is different. Each site has its own challenges. We're here at Sacred Heart University in fearful Connecticut. The work I am currently doing here I laid out an underground system that will support the additional dorms that will be built and after the buildings are here, I will be installing transformers that will power each building.

On a project, collaboration is key. I treat everyone as a team player and working together we achieve the same goal.

When I was younger, I knew I wanted to be an engineer. In high school I took electronics, in college I got into power, in fact I met a recruiter from UI and the rest is history.

I enjoy working at Avangrid, where I've been almost 27 years. Great opportunities for young engineers coming in, there's a rotational program that they would go through and, you know, I tell young engineers 'Don't be afraid to dig in, get in there and try new things, ask questions.' In fact, when I started in distribution planning a lot of what I learned there I currently use on the job today. One of the things that I enjoy is when a project is complete, and the building is energetic. After almost 27 years, I got to work with great people. Working on the different projects are rewarding, the skill assets that I learned. You can't put a price tag on that."

