



DESIGN BUILD INSTITUTE OF AMERICA

LIKELY CANDIDATES FOR CREDENTIAL

MILITARY - OFFICER	YES
MILITARY - ENLISTED	NO
INDUSTRY	YES
GOVERNMENT	YES

REQUIREMENTS

The Design Build Professional (DBIA) credential is offered by the Design Build Institute of America (DBIA). Below are the major steps to becoming DBIA credentialed:

- Submit your certification application to the Certification Board for approval
- Complete the required core courses via DBIA's certification workshop.
 - » Code of Conduct webinar
 - » Principles of Design-Build Delivery & Procurement
 - » Post Award: Executing the Delivery of Design-Build Projects
 - » Contracts & Risk Management
- Take the DBIA Certification Exam.
- A combination of education and experience determines eligibility requirements.
 - » Master's degree in a concentrated design-build university level program approved by DBIA's Certification Board and two years of substantial, documented direct experience in a responsible position using the design-build method;
 - » Baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution in a DBIA approved field of study and three years total experience as described; or
 - » If no degree in an approved field of study, six years total experience as described.
- Associate Design-Build Professional (Assoc. DBIA)
 - » This credential does not require hands-on design-build experience and accepts different types of similar experiences
 - Baccalaureate degree in approved field of study;
 - Baccalaureate degree in a non-approved field of study and three years of experience in design and/or construction; or
 - If no degree, six years of design and/or construction experience.

- » Submit the designated sections of the DBIA application to the DBIA Certification Department and complete the same four core courses.

TEST FORMAT

The DBIA Certification Exam is a 100-question, eight topic exam measuring a candidate's mastery of design-build best practices and application. Results are provided immediately after completion of the exam and are graded on a Pass/Fail basis, with a score of 62 percent or better to pass.

- Project Management
- Contracts and Legal
- General Attributes
- Project Delivery
- Estimating/Specifications
- Teaming and Team Organization
- Procurement
- Ethics/Professionalism

PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES

Various publications and resources are provided to assist candidates in preparation for the exam. Additional resources can be found through the DBIA Learning: Home website. Additional resources can be found through the Design Build Professional (DBIA) (dbia.org) website.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Certification renewal cycle is every two years ending on December 31.

- 24 hours of continuing education credits are required per cycle from:
 - » conferences, courses, workshops, or webinars;
 - » instructor/speaker positions; and/or
 - » DBIA leadership positions.
- Must uphold the principles of the DBIA Code of Professional Conduct
- Submit Certification Renewal Form