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Certification Application

Introduction

Certification Candidates are asked to submit 6 examples of their professional work, demonstrating an ability to develop and implement strategic design solutions through a clearly-articulated process.

Please note all work submitted will remain completely confidential and shared only with selected members of RGD's Eligibility Review Committee and RGD's Evaluation Committee who observe strict confidentiality and conflict of interest guidelines.

Candidate Profile

In order to ensure you have achieved the Eligibility Criteria for Certification, we ask that you begin your application by outlining your relevant professional experience and education, as well as providing personal information so that we can be in touch. Details on the Eligibility Criteria appear at rgd.ca/rgdeligibility.

Once you have completed this form, please email it to certification@rgd.ca.

Personal Information

First Name

Last Name

Pronoun

he/him

she/her

they/them

Other:

Address

City

Province / State

Postal / Zip Code

Country

Email Address

Phone Number

Current or Past Membership Status

Referring RGD Member

Referred Members receive 25% off their dues or registration at a future DesignThinkers Conference

Record of Education

Post Secondary Institution 1

Program Name

Program Length (# of years)

Years Completed

Date of Graduation

MM / DD / YYYY

Proof of Education / Transcript *(not required if provided as part of Provisional RGD Application)*

Post Secondary Institution 2

Program Name

Program Length (# of years)

Years Completed

Date of Graduation

MM / DD / YYYY

Proof of Education / Transcript *(not required if provided as part of Provisional RGD Application)*

Professional Experience

Applying as a (choose one)

Practitioner

Educator

Manager

Current / Most Recent Employer

Company Name

Position / Title

City

Province / State

Name of Immediate Supervisor

Contact Information

Date Started

Date Ended

Duration of Employment

MM / DD / YYYY

MM / DD / YYYY

Years

Months

Total amount of professional experience

Years

Months

If you have additional employers, please attach a list following the same format as above.

Case Study Submission

In order to ensure your Portfolio Presentation goes smoothly, we ask that you submit rationales and images for the 6 projects you plan to present to your 3 Portfolio Evaluators.

Members of our Evaluation Committee will conduct a preliminary survey of the images and text you have submitted to ensure that our Portfolio Evaluators have the material they need to make an effective assessment of your knowledge and skills.

Details on the Criteria for Case Studies appear at rgd.ca/casestudies

Case Study 1

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 1

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

Is this project available for viewing online?

Yes, at the following URL:

No, I will upload my materials:

Case Study 2

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 2

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

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Case Study 3

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 3

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

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Case Study 4

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 4

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

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Case Study 5

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 5

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

Is this project available for viewing online?

Yes, at the following URL:

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Case Study 6

Type of Work (choose one)

Pro Bono

Self-published

Professional

Project Title

Client Name

Date Project Completed

Your Role in the Project

MM / DD / YYYY

Context

Describe the client needs / project brief, including project goals and objectives.

Method

Describe your design (or design management) process including any research, analysis or other information gathering and investigation that contributed to your solution.

Case Study 6

Design Process

Briefly describe the design process from initial concept exploration and presentation to acceptance by the client (either from the perspective of practitioner or manager).

Solution

Describe your design solution/deliverables and how they achieved project goals and objectives. (In the case of design managers, describe how your design management strategies helped ensure an effective solution that achieved goals and objectives).

Results

Provide quantitative/qualitative evidence of the effectiveness of your solution and/or how overcoming any special circumstances and/or challenges on the project demonstrate the effectiveness of your solution.

Supporting Materials

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Conclusion

Thank you so much for completing your Application for RGD Certification.

We ask that you assert the following:

I certify that the statements in this application are complete and true to the best of my knowledge.

I certify that all of the work submitted in my Case Studies was accepted and produced by the client or was self-published.

Signature

Before you submit your Application, please proofread it for correct spelling and grammar. Then email the completed application to certification@rgd.ca. After your application has been reviewed, RGD will be in touch to confirm your eligibility and outline the next steps in the Process which involve a Portfolio Presentation of the work submitted here and an Online Test. Please email certification@rgd.ca if you have any questions.