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# Certification Application

Design Educator

# Introduction

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RGD Candidates have the option of applying as Design Practitioners, Design Manager or Design Educators. The three applications are each customized for the skillsets and types of submissions anticipated for each group.

Design Educators are asked to answer 2 questions related to teaching and submit 6 examples of any combination of: Curriculum Design, Course Design, Lesson Plans, Professional Work, Academic & Research Papers, Publishing/Conference documentation or Professional Design Work.

# Candidate Profile

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In order to ensure you have achieved the Eligibility Criteria for RGD 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](http://rgd.ca/rgdeligibility).

Once you have completed this form, please email it to [certification@rgd.ca](mailto:certification@rgd.ca).

# Personal Information

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First Name

Last Name

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

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## Post Secondary Institution 1

Program Name

Program Length (# of years)

Years Completed

Date of Graduation

Proof of Education / Transcript

*MM / DD / YYYY*

## Post Secondary Institution 2

Program Name

Program Length (# of years)

Years Completed

Date of Graduation

Proof of Education / Transcript

*MM / DD / YYYY*

# Professional Experience

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## 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.

# Philosophy on Teaching

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In order to ensure you qualify for RGD Certification as a Design Educator, we ask that you answer two questions related to your overall views on design education.

Members of our RGD Evaluation Committee will review your responses to ensure you are applying under the correct category.

# Philosophy on Teaching

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How does your past/present knowledge of design (and your philosophy) inform your teaching methods and, if applicable, the design of your projects?

What would constitute an 'ideal [graphic] design education'?



# Rationale Submission

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In order to ensure your Portfolio Presentation goes smoothly, we ask that you submit descriptions/rationales and images for 6 of any of the following Curriculum Design, Course Design, Lesson Plans, Professional Work, Academic & Research Papers, Publishing/Conference documentation and Professional Design Work, which you plan to present to your 3 Portfolio Evaluators.

Members of our RGD Evaluation Committee will conduct a preliminary survey of the materials you have submitted to ensure that our Portfolio Evaluators have the material they will need to make an effective assessment of your abilities and skills as a design educator.

Details on the Criteria for Portfolio Rationales appear at [rgd.ca/rationales](http://rgd.ca/rationales).

# Submission 1

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Submission 2

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Submission 3

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Submission 4

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Submission 5

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Submission 6

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**Type of Submission** (choose one)

Curriculum Design

Course Design

Lesson Plans

Professional Work

Academic & Research Papers

Professional Design Work

Publishing/Conference Documentation

Rationale/Description:

# Conclusion

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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 Rationales was accepted and produced by the client or was self-published.

Signature

Once you have submitted the Application, 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](mailto:certification@rgd.ca) if you have any questions.