

# IAS Curriculum Developers Accreditation Program

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Quality construction training programs develop the curricula that are used to prepare a competent, well-trained work force. International Accreditation Service (IAS) now accredits organizations that develop the curricula for construction-related vocational training programs.

### The Accreditation Program

The IAS Accreditation of Curriculum Developers for Work Force Qualification Programs is the first program of its kind that recognizes specific needs of the construction crafts, contractors and construction regulators. This criteria requires curriculum developers to demonstrate that their course materials comply with nationally recognized standards of quality for "best practices." IAS accreditation emphasizes the practical (applied) elements of best practices, based on educational research; and requires that curriculum developers have formally documented processes that are effectively implemented and regularly monitored to ensure their continuing suitability and effectiveness. Standards for accreditation are defined in the IAS Accreditation Criteria for Curriculum Development for Work Force Qualification Programs AC372.

### The Accreditation Process

The process of accreditation begins with the agency's submittal of an application, fees, and a quality management system manual. An IAS accreditation officer is assigned to work with the agency throughout the accreditation process, beginning with a review of the quality manual. Once the manual has been reviewed and approved, on site assessments are conducted at the agency's office and at training locations. IAS assessments entail review to determine effective implementation of the agency's management system,



curricula, training practices, classroom management and interviews with instructors, training administrators and other key personnel. Records of student assessment methods, techniques, and test administration procedures are evaluated for objectivity. Once a curriculum developer has satisfied IAS accreditation requirements, an accreditation certificate is awarded. Continual monitoring of agencies is done through periodic on-site surveillance assessments by IAS staff and industry feedback.

### **About IAS**

International Accreditation Service is a subsidiary corporation of the International Code Council. IAS assesses and accredits

training agencies, curriculum developers, special inspection agencies, inspection agencies, building departments, fabricators, and testing and calibration laboratories. IAS has been in operation since 1975 as a nonprofit, public-benefit corporation and is one of the oldest accreditation bodies of its type.

### **More information about Curriculum Developer Accreditation**

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